<u>Fraunhofer Institute for Electronic Nano Systems (Fraunhofer ENAS)</u> is a partner for applied research and development in the field of <u>smart systems</u> and their integration for various applications. Its <u>Systems and Applications Business Unit</u> is also quite active in the <u>medical/MedTech</u> sector not only developing smart medical sensors and devices but also pushing forward <u>X-ray technology</u> and high voltage generation. With regard to OPEN CALL topic 2 of the call we would be happy to bring in our expertise in the latter topics:

Recent projects covered the following topics/tasks:

- 1. <u>spectral X-Ray imaging for diagnosis</u>: <u>improving image quality</u> and <u>reducing dose</u> compared to conventional (CT) methods
 - 1. Setup/operation of a x-ray generation chain (Generator, x-ray tube, collimator and flat panel detector)
 - 2. Definition/optimization of acquisition procedure as well as dose/image quality balancing over whole components
 - 3. substance classification by combining physics and ML

related topics of interest are:

- 2. use of novel materials for radiation shielding (as substitute for lead)
- 3. cold emitter, nanotube technology
- 4. multi emitter technology (arrays of x-ray sources)
- 5. ultra-light portable x-ray system

We might also contribute with our cross-functional AI team, eg with:

- 2. AI assisted image reconstruction
- 3. Hardware acceleration/simulation acceleration via AI/ML
- 4. AI-assisted decision making

...or with our expertise in microsystems & microelectronics in general.

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