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- Leibniz-Institute for Astrophysics Potsdam (AIP)
- Dr Karl Remeis Observatory, University of Erlangen-Nürnberg
- Hamburg Observatory, University of Hamburg
- Institute for Astronomy and Astrophysics, University of Tübingen

and will work on a project related to the Galactic diffuse X-ray emission, supernova remnants, accreting white dwarfs, neutron stars, or black holes.

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Please send your application including a cover letter with a short summary of research interest and the preferred starting date, together with a CV, copies of diploma or relevant certificates, and contact details of two potential referees to Prof. Dr. Manami Sasaki at Dr. Karl Remeis Observatory (manami.sasaki@fau.de). Applications should be submitted by March 31, 2021.

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