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Research/PhD-student in Nanophotonics
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Position Profile:

The Research/PhD-student is expected to focus in his/her research project on the optical characterization of nanostructured materials, the design of optical metasurfaces for applications in quantum optics and holography, and the modelling of nano-optical systems. The position is within a collaborative research project funded by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) and the National Science Foundation China (NSFC). A participation in teaching lab courses is expected.

Your Profile:

• Completed university degree in physics (M.Sc. or comparable)
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• Experience in laser physics and nanofabrication techniques
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• Knowledge of data analysis and programming
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