

## PheniX: a new vision for the hard X-ray sky

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**Abstract** We are proposing a mission devoted to high energy X-ray astronomy that is based on a focusing telescope operating in the 1–200 keV energy range but optimized for the hard X-ray range. The main scientific topics concern: Physics of compact objects: The proximity of compact objects provides a unique laboratory to study matter and radiation in extreme conditions of temperature and density in strong gravitational environment. The emission of

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