PROPOSAL for a Thesis on Instrumentation @ LNF-INFN

"Design, Construction and Test of an innovative Micro Pattern Gaseous Detector (MPGD) based on the micro-RWELL technology"

The micro-RWELL detector technology developed since the 2014 at INFN-LNF shows several advantages with respect the standard MPGD technologies such as GEM and MicroMegas: the detector is thin, simple and robust against radiation. All these features make the micro-RWELL a valuable solution for large area fine tracking and sampling calorimetric devices, where high reliability, construction simplicity and cost-effective technology are required.

The detector **technology is mature for the industrialization of the various manufacturing steps**. The Technology Transfer process has already been started with Italian and European Companies leader in the photolithography technique.

The detector is of extreme interest for possible uses as muon device in the future upgrade at the LHC experiments (LHCb) as well as in the future electron and hadron colliders around the world (FCC-ee, FCC-hh, CEPC) as a device for muon system with improved performance with respect present gaseous detector technology.

The technology is suitable also for **X-ray and neutron imaging in industrial applications, and in particular for homeland security,** where muon tomography requires for very large area coverage.

During the thesis several detector prototypes will be built, instrumented with custom front-end electronics and characterized with the X-rays Test Facility of the LNF-DDG laboratory, while the measurement of the tracking and timing performance will be performed at the H8-SPS beam area at CERN – Meyrin (Geneva) and π M1-beam area of the PSI – Willigen (Zurich).

The activities could be focused on the following items:

- I. detector simulation
- II. detector design
- III. optimization and industrialization of the production processes
- IV. prototype characterization
- V. integration of front-end electronics
- VI. development of reconstruction algorithms
- VII. production and test with beam of prototypes to prove scalability of technology



10x10 cm² µ-RWELL prototype

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