

Draft Press Release

Honoring the European Spirit: 37 ChemPubSoc Europe Luminaries Light the Way

ChemPubSoc Europe a partnership of 16 European chemical societies honors Nobel Prizewinner Ben Feringa together with 36 chemists for their outstanding service to European chemistry. ChemPubSoc Europe's publishing program to showcase the best in chemistry, and research from Europe in particular, started with *Chemistry - A European Journal* in 1995 upon the initiative of another Nobel Laureate Jean-Marie Lehn. Only a little later, exactly 20 years ago, the *European Journal of Inorganic Chemistry* and the *European Journal of Organic Chemistry* followed as a result of a merger of a number of national journals, a move enthusiastically welcomed by researchers and librarians alike. On the occasion of this anniversary Jean-Marie Lehn remarked:

"Politicians and news commentators tell us that Europe is in crisis. European science, and in particular chemistry, is not. Here chemistry has shown the way by creating a series of truly European chemistry journals of international spirit, an initiative that is more important than ever!"

Today ChemPubSoc Europe publishes together with Wiley-VCH 15 journals and their open magazine *ChemViews*; over 90.000 peer-reviewed, high quality articles have been published. All this was only possible because many chemists in Europe and the world over have supported ChemPubSoc Europe and its products with their chemical research and expertise as authors, referees, and in a myriad of other ways. Some stood out and are honored as ChemPubSoc Europe Fellows. After an initial 35 ChemPubSoc Europe Fellows were named in 2015, this year the following Professors are honored:

Karl-Heinz Altmann (Switzerland), **Didier Astruc** (France), **Piotr Balczewski** (Poland), **Vincenzo Balzani** (Italy), **Koen Binnemans** (Belgium), **Elisabeth Bouwman** (Netherlands), **Marie José Calhorda** (Portugal), **Ben Lucas Feringa** (Netherlands), **Ferenc Fülöp** (Hungary), **Leticia Gonzáles** (Austria), **Michael Grätzel** (Switzerland), **Günther Grampp** (Austria), **Karol Grela** (Poland), **Daniel Gryko** (Poland), **Stephen Hashmi** (Germany), **Hermenegildo Garcia** (Spain), **Evamaria Hey-Hawkins** (Germany), **Anny Jutand** (France), **C. Oliver Kappe** (Austria), **Peter Kündig** (Switzerland), **Nazario Martín** (Spain), **Bert Meijer** (Netherlands), **Carmen Nájera** (Spain), **Kyriacos Costa Nicolaou** (USA), **Per-Ola Norrby** (Sweden), **Berit Olofsson** (Sweden), **Spyros Perlepes** (Greece), **Rinaldo Poli** (France), **Maurizio Prato** (Italy), **Jana Roithova** (Czech Republic), **Wolfgang Schuhmann** (Germany), **Radovan Sebesta** (Slovakia), **Roberta Sessoli** (Italy), **Artur M. S. Silva** (Portugal), **Licheng Sun** (Sweden), **Veronique Van Speybroeck** (Belgium), **Dusan Velic** (Slovakia).

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The Fellowship was established in 2015. It is the highest award given by ChemPubSoc Europe and it is announced as a run up to the biannual EuChemS Chemistry Congress to foster the European Spirit. It will be celebrated at a reception during the 7th EuChemS Chemistry Congress in Liverpool 28th August 2018.

ChemPubSoc Europe is the partnership of 16 European Chemical societies with ca. 70 000 members that publishes 15 high-quality journals and its open magazine *ChemViews* on *ChemistryViews*. It supports the chemical societies both financially and in all publishing issues that support their aims to facilitate the dissemination of chemical knowledge within their European countries and worldwide.

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