



## EuCheMS Division of Inorganic Chemistry

### 2009 Activity Report

2009 was the second full year of activity of the Division of Inorganic Chemistry, first established in 2007. The Board of the Division met in Palermo in occasion of the FIGIPAS International Meeting. In such occasion the Board, Chaired by Prof. Nikos Katsaros and Prof. Michele Aresta, took several important decisions for the future life of the Division: among the various, three actions will have an outstanding role, as depicted below.

The Board decisions were that: each year the Division has to organize a major scientific event, such as: i) a Symposium in the frame of the general EuCheMS Congress and ii) a Division Conference each other year. Besides such key activities, (Summer) Schools will also be organized devoted to specific topics such as: Materials, Spectroscopic Techniques (NMR, Surface Techniques, Structure Determination Techniques, and so on), Metals in Catalysis or Medicine etc. The relevant action plan has been fully implemented during 2009.

The **First Symposium**, aimed to present **Highlights in Inorganic Chemistry** and to be a show-up for EU young scientists active in the various fields of Inorganic Chemistry, has been organised to take place in occasion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> *EuCheMS Chemistry Congress*, and will be held in Nurnberg on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. The invited speakers were voted among names suggested by the Members of the Board.

The Programme can be found on: <http://www.euchems-congress2010.org/scientific/sciother/inorg.htm>.

The **Division Conference**, aimed to continue the positive experience of FIGIPAS and to be the occasion for a meeting of Inorganic Chemists from the EU with colleagues from other geographical areas, has been given the name "**EuCheMS Inorganic Chemistry Conference-EICC**". The first of such series, namely **EICC-1**, will be organised in 2011 in collaboration with the Royal Society of Chemistry and will be convened in **Manchester, April 2011**. The second event in the series, **EICC-2**, will be organised in collaboration with the **Israel Chemical Society in 2013**.

The first **School** has been organized in collaboration with the Division of Inorganic Chemistry of the Italian Chemical Society and will be held in Salerno in June 2010 under the auspices of the local University and the Interuniversity Consortium on Chemical Reactivity and Catalysis-CIRCC. The topic is: "**Metal Catalyzed Olefin Polymerization: From the Metal Catalyst to the Macromolecular Architecture and Polymer Assembly**" and information can be found at the following web-site: <http://www.isopsc2010.unisa.it>.

In 2009, the Board of the Division has discussed, among others topics, the possibility of starting a Series of Books devoted to graduated or PhD students on selected topics. A decision will be taken at next Board Meeting.

The Division was also represented at the Meeting of the EuCheMS General Assembly in Interlaken.

Further information about the Division's activities is on the EuCheMS website <http://www.euchems.org/Divisions/Inorganic/index.asp>