

European Young Chemists' Network

Connecting young chemists in Europe and beyond

Torun, Poland – October 2014

Aurora Walshe

EYCN in 2014

- Founded in 2006
- Young members division
- > 30000 members*
- 26 young chemical societies
- 22 countries
- 1 affiliation (ACS)**



* Based on student memberships in 2012

** American Chemical Society

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| • Represent Young Chemists | United voice
Awards |
| • “Everything is Chemistry” | National activities
Delegates Assembly |
| • Forging links | Delegates Assembly
YCCB |
| • Soft-skills education | Career Days |

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ECRN Congress

Maastricht – The Netherlands, October 2013

“Demand driven innovations
through triple helix cooperation in
chemical regions”



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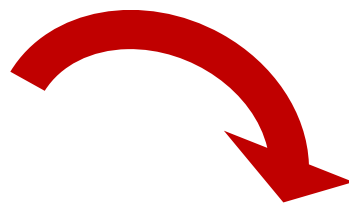
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- Represent Young Chemists

EYCN Poster Award

EYCN Poster Award aims to reward poster presentations of superior quality at young chemists' conferences



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2nd Conference of the Young Chemists

Nis – Serbia, June 2014

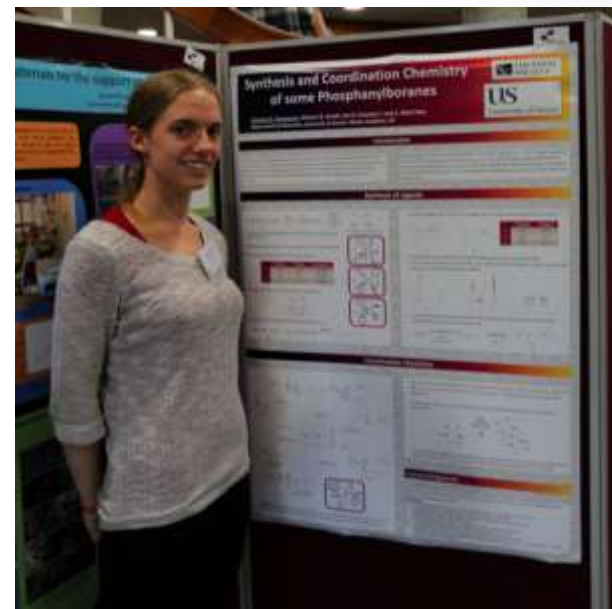


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3rd Young Members Symposium 2014

Birmingham – United Kingdom, June 2014



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- Represent Young Chemists **EYCA**

5th EuCheMS Chemistry Congress 2014
Istanbul – Turkey, September 2014

The aim of this biennial award is to showcase and recognize the excellent research carried out by young scientists working in the chemical sciences.

It is organised on two levels:

- PhD level
- Post doc level (under 35 years)

Two silver medals and one gold medal for each level



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5th EuCheMS Chemistry Congress 2014
Istanbul – Turkey, September 2014

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Advisory Board: Frédérique Backaert (BEL), Camille Oger (FRA), Michele Pavone (ITA), Santiago Gómez Ruiz (ES), Maria-Cristina Todasca (ROM), Sergio Facchetti (ITA)

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Convenor: Bruno Pignataro

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Winner Junior level:

Zoel Codolà (SPA)



Winner Young Professor level:

Frederik Wurm (GER)



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- Visibility of Young Chemists United voice
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9th Delegates Assembly

10–13th April 2014 in Bucharest, Romania



33 participants

19 countries

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National Activities

Expanding the network

**5th EuCheMS Chemistry
Congress 2014**

**EYCN: an effective and
'must have' organisation**

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10th Delegates Assembly

8–12th April 2015 in Berlin, Germany

Preliminary agenda

Key elements for the 10th Anniversary:

- Session on bridging the decade:
 - Key activities of the last 10 years & lessons learnt
 - Discussion with all partners (industry, EuCheMS, academia, Europe) on new opportunities for EYCN
- Braga 2016: 1st European Young Chemists' Congress
 - Supporting PYChem in organising an international scientific meeting
- Seville 2016: 6th EuCheMS Chemistry Congress
 - Setting up Career Days
 - Incorporating a young chemists symposium

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5th EuCheMS Chemistry Congress

- EYCN & ACS-YCC (Younger Chemists' Committee) Exchange Programme
- Four American finalists:
 - Whitney Kellett
 - Jessica Howard
 - Anna Lechner
 - Forest Andrews



Young Chemists Crossing Borders
An International Exchange Program

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5th EuCheMS Chemistry Congress 2014

- **Career Days – “Creating a successful career”**
- Main topics:
 - Networking cocktail in collaboration with GDCh
 - Soft-skills lectures
 - CV Clinic
 - European Young Chemist Award (EYCA)
 - ‘Exciting chemistry’
 - **Workshops: Leadership training & international funding opportunities (DFG)**
 - YCCB



- **Convenors:** Cristina Todasca
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Monday, 1 September	
10:30 - 11:00 h	Writing scientific articles Vera Koester (Wiley-VCH)
11:00 - 11:30 h	Designing Scientific Presentations – a toolbox for researchers Frédérique Backaert (EYCN)
11:00 - 12:00 h	Personal branding: you and your virtual self Menno de Waal (Royal Netherlands Chemical Society)
13:30 - 13:45 h	EYCN talk on bridging the gap between academia and industry Frédérique Backaert (EYCN)
13:45 - 14:15 h	Sustainable chemistry - a role for a successful Europe? Gernot Klotz (Cefic)
14:15 - 15:30 h	Solving World Challenges through Chemistry: Research, Entrepreneurship and Leadership Javier Garcia Martinez (University of Alicante, Spain)

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Tuesday, 2 September	
10:30 - 11:30 h	Drugs and sports Peter van Eenoo (Ghent University, Belgium)
11:30 - 12:00 h	Putting your degree to work Marie Chapman (Royal Society of Chemistry)
12:00 - 12:30 h	„Commune“ mistakes in scientific English Sarah Ruthven (Royal Society of Chemistry)
12:30 - 13:30 h	CV-Clinic & Lunch Evonik Industries
13:30 - 14:00 h	Chemists in Industry: an example of your possible career Lorraine McDonnell (Boston Scientific)
14:00 - 15:30 h	Workshop: Leading and following – an introduction to leadership, Part I, Alexander Schiller (University of Jena, Germany)
16:00 - 17:30 h	Workshop: Leading and following – Part II, Alexander Schiller

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Wednesday, 3 September	
10:30 - 12:30 h	European Young Chemists Award - Part I (PhD level)
12:30 - 13:30 h	CV-Clinic & Lunch Evonik Industries
13:30 - 15:30 h	European Young Chemists Award - Part II (Young Professor level)
16:00 - 16:30 h	EYCN introduction lecture Frédérique Backaert (EYCN)
16:30 - 17:30 h	The Chemistry of Chocolate (incl. degustation) Luisa DeCola (University of Strasbourg, France)
Thursday, 4 September	
10:30 - 13:00 h	Workshop: „Research in Germany”: Science Brunch – Beef up your future career in Germany Schallum Werner (German Research Foundation, DFG)

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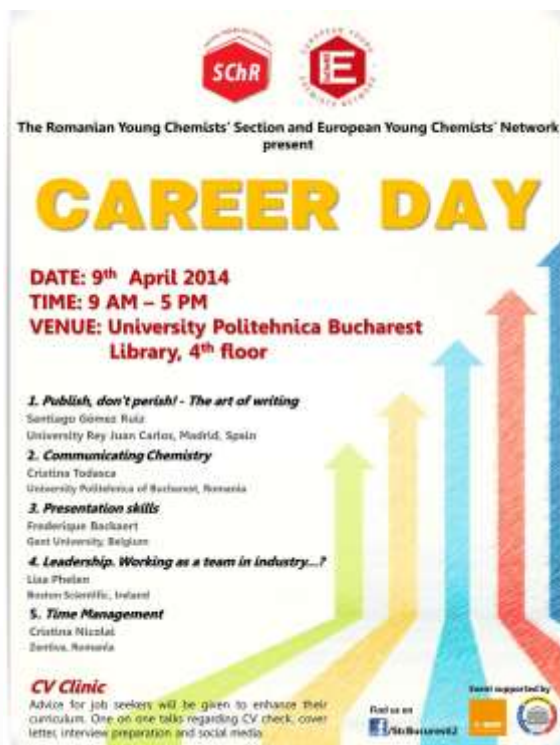


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- Soft-skills education **Career Days**

University Politehnica
Bucharest – Romania, April 2014



Key activities 2013-2014

- September 2013:* 3rd Young Chemists Crossing Borders Exchange,
246th ACS National Meeting, Indianapolis (USA)
- October 2013:* ECRN Congress, Maastricht (NLD)
- February 2014:* ChemCYS, Blankenberge (BEL)
- April 2014:* Career Day, Bucharest (ROM)
9th Delegates' Assembly, Bucharest (ROM)
- June 2014:* Career Day, 2nd Conference of the Young Chemists,
Belgrade (SRB)
- September 2014:* Creating a Successful Career, 5th EuCheMS Chemistry
Congress, Istanbul (TUR)
4th Young Chemists Crossing Borders Exchange, 5th ECC,
Istanbul (TUR)

Keep in mind!

- November 2014:* Applications welcome for 5th YCCB exchange program in September 2015 (Boston, MA)
- April 2015:* 10th Delegates Assembly (Berlin, Germany)
- Spring 2016:* 5th PYChem and 1st European Young Chemists' Congress (Braga, Portugal)
- September 2016:* EYCN Career Days – 6th EuCheMS Congress

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