

## **EuChemS Award for Service**

### **Aim with introduction**

The EuChemS Award for Service acknowledges outstanding commitment with regard to fostering Chemistry in Europe and the goals of EuChemS.

### **Who is eligible for a nomination**

Nominees for the EuChemS Award for Service should be chemists who have demonstrated service to EuChemS and/or to European Chemistry over and above the basic voluntary contribution that would normally be expected. In addition to recognised service to EuChemS, this may include activities in governmental, non-governmental or funding organisations, publicity-related activities, *etc.* Nominations must demonstrate achievements for improved competitiveness, visibility, coherence, or structure of Chemistry in Europe.

It is normal practice that members of the Executive Board, members of the Presiding Council, and of Professional Networks are not considered for the Award until after their term of office has ceased. Service in any of the aforementioned governance bodies of EuChemS is not itself sufficient to merit the Award.

### **Who can submit a nomination**

All EuChemS member organisations, Divisions/Working Parties and individuals are invited to submit nominations for the Award.

There is no requirement for the nominator or supporters to be members of EuChemS Member Organisation.

Unsuccessful nominations for the Award for Service may be re-submitted once in the next three years from the first submission.

Self-nominations are not accepted.

### **How to apply**

Nominations for EuChemS Award for Service are open via the online nomination system. The nomination form usually opens in September with the closing date in December.

The online nomination form requests at least the following information:

- Nomination letter
- Nominee's CV (max. three pages)
- Declaration on no misconduct

The nomination letter should give details of the nominee's contribution(s) to the field and describe any major achievements, including also evidence of international recognition as well as honours and awards.

Support letters may also be added, but are not compulsory. If support letter(s) are added, then they should come from other scientists (*i.e.* not the nominator) that are not working at the same institution as the nominee.

### **Selection process**

Decisions on giving the EuChemS Award for Service are taken by the EuChemS Executive Board, usually once per year.

The President and/or the Secretary General informs the winner.

The winner shall sign a declaration on no misconduct.

### **Awarding ceremony**

The EuChemS President presents the Award (commemorative statuette and a certificate) to the winner during the Award ceremony at the next EuChemS Chemistry Congress (ECC).

The awardee's travel, accommodation and registration fee are covered in accordance with EuChemS regulations *i.e.* equally shared between the ECC organiser and EuChemS.

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