

EuChemS Lecture Award

Aim with introduction

Each year, the major achievements of one junior scientist working in Chemistry in a country with a EuChemS Member Organisation are rewarded.

Who is eligible for a nomination

Nominees for the EuChemS Lecture Award should be scientists who have made major contributions to any area of Chemistry and significantly advanced our understanding of a particular discipline.

The nominee must be working in a country with a EuChemS Member Organisation at the time of the nomination.

The Award is generally meant for scientists within 10 years of their PhD. Eligible career breaks that can be considered for the extension of the eligibility window are maternity or paternity leave after PhD award. The reason for the leave shall be specified. If the leave was conducted as a part-time leave this should be stated. It is acceptable if the time off work happened over several periods.

Who can submit a nomination

Individuals are invited to submit a nomination.

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

Nominators should take diversity in all its forms into consideration when making the nomination as well as parental leave or other relevant career breaks.

Self-nominations are not accepted.

How to apply

Nominations for EuChemS Lecture Award 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 candidate.

Selection process

An International Award Committee (IACL) evaluates the nominees and advises the EuChemS Executive Board, which decides to whom the EuChemS Lecture Award is awarded.

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

The winner shall sign a declaration on no misconduct.

International Award Committee for the EuChemS Lecture Award (IACL)

1. The International Award Committee (IACL) is composed of five members including the Chair.
2. A call is published to invite EuChemS Member Organisations, Professional Networks and individuals to nominate candidates for members of IACL.
3. Nominations for members of the IACL are presented to the EuChemS Executive Board.
4. The EuChemS Executive Board appoints the members of the IACL.
5. The IACL Chair is elected by the IACL members.
6. Composition of IACL is aiming at diversity in terms of age, gender, ethnicity, location, fields of Chemistry, *etc.*
7. Members of the IACL can serve for two terms of four years, following an invitation of the Executive Board.
8. The IACL Chair is the contact person for the EuChemS Executive Board.
9. The IACL reviews the nominations, ranks the nominees, and reports to the EuChemS Executive Board.
10. EuChemS Executive Board elects the awardee based on the recommendation of the IACL.
11. The President of EuChemS presents the Award and the Chair of the IACL writes and presents the laudation during the opening ceremony of the ECC.

Awarding ceremony

The winner will be offered to give a plenary invited lecture at the next EuChemS Chemistry Congress (ECC).

During the Award ceremony the awardee will be presented with a commemorative statuette and a certificate.

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

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