

EuChemS Gold Medal Award

Aim with introduction

Every two years, the exceptional achievements of one scientist working in the field of Chemistry in Europe are rewarded.

Who is eligible for a nomination

Nominees for the EuChemS Gold Medal Award should be scientists who have made outstanding contributions to the field of Chemistry and have significantly advanced our understanding of a particular discipline. The Award is not meant to be for lifetime achievements. The research can cover any area of Chemistry.

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

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 Gold Medal 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 (IACM) evaluates the nominees and advises the EuChemS Executive Board, which decides to whom the EuChemS Gold Medal 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 EuChemS Gold Medal (IACM)

1. The International Award Committee (IACM) 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 IACM.
3. Nominations for members of the IACM are presented to the EuChemS Executive Board.
4. The EuChemS Executive Board appoints the members of the IACM.
5. The IACM Chair is elected by the IACM members.
6. Composition of the IACM is aiming at diversity in terms of age, gender, ethnicity, location, fields of Chemistry, and includes at least one non-European representative.
7. Members of the IACM can serve for two terms of four years, following an invitation of the Executive Board.
8. The IACM Chair is the contact person for the EuChemS Executive Board.
9. The IACM 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 IACM.
11. The President of EuChemS presents the Award and the Chair of the IACM writes and presents the laudation during the opening ceremony of the ECC.

Awarding ceremony

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

The winner will be presented with a commemorative gold medal and a certificate.

The awardee's travel, accommodation and registration fee will be equally shared between the ECC organizer and EuChemS.

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