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## International Association of Colloid and Interface Scientists

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## Update on the organization of IACIS2018

As announced in the previous newsletter, the first task of the Scientific Committee was to propose plenary lecturers. There are four time slots out of which one will be for the recipient of the Life Time Achievement Award so there are three candidates to select. This was not at all as easy as it may seem and the Scientific Committee produced a long list containing 20 female and 25 male nominees. We scored this list, based on the motivation provided by the committee members. We subsequently asked for a second round selection on the basis of a short list of 9 names from different regions of the world. And now we are proud to announce the plenary speakers for IACIS2018:



Jasna Brujic New York Univ (USA)



Raffaele Mezzenga ETH Zürich (CH)



Dganit Danino Technion (IL)

You may have noticed that for a short time, the web site www.iacis2018.org was not available. This was because - in our opionion - it seriously needed revision. We have found a small enterprise, de Kabelfabriek, that could make it look and feel the way it does now. We are very happy with it but if you have remarks or suggestions we would like to hear them.

The next task for the Scientific Committee is to make a rough composition of the sessions and to nominate keynote speakers for the most popular ones. This process should finish in June and in September we can subsequently open the abstract submission system. End of June our web site should contain more information on this, keep a good look!

Finally, we still have some posters left, so if you know a brilliant place to put it (with permission of the local authorities), please let us know and we will send you a hard copy for **free**!

Mieke Kleijn and Ger Koper, Organizers

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#### **Brothers and Sisters**

The Division of Colloid and Surface Chemistry is one of the most active Divisions in the American Chemical Society with approximately 2500 members throughout the world. The research interests of the Division members are inherently interdisciplinary and diverse, e.g., members investigate the interaction of surfaces with fluids having molecular densities spanning the range from liquids to ultra-high vacuum. Among disciplines represented in the Division are physical chemistry, chemical physics, materials science, nanoscience, biochemistry, electrochemistry, and chemical engineering.

More information on the Division is available through their own newsletter, see here for

the latest edition!

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#### **Selected announcements**

The Formula IX conference will be held in Beijing, China on October 15-18, 2017. This conference series has a long history, since 1987, and became an important high-level forum for formulation science and technology. This is a very wide field, highly multidisciplinary, with much interest from both academia and industry, considering that advances produce a great impact in daily life.

As previous Formula conferences, Formula IX aims to highlight recent important progress in all aspects of formula with multiple functionalities such as battery materials, printing inks, catalysts, cosmetics, food or pharmaceuticals formulations. The conference theme is *Multiscale Structures and Functionalities for Future Formulation*, covering multiple scales across molecules, particles, and reactors and facilities as well as plants and systems. To ensure a high level and high quality forum, international leaders in a number of fields will be invited to present lectures on the state-of-the-art and cutting edge of formulation science and technology.

Taken from the Formula IX website.

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## ACS awards in Colloid Chemistry and Surface Chemistry

The American Chemical Society (ACS) offers two awards in the area of colloid and interface science. Eligibility does not require ACS membership nor US-based accomplishment The purpose of the awards is to recognize and encourage outstanding scientific contributions to colloid chemistry and surface chemistry. Each award consists of \$5,000 and a certificate. Up to \$2,500 for travel expenses to the ACS meeting at which the award will be presented will be reimbursed. The nominees must have made outstanding scientific contributions to colloid chemistry or to the advancement of surface chemistry. Activities recognized by the awards may include such fields as teaching, writing, research, and administration. The awards will be granted regardless of race, gender, age, religion, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, presence of disabilities, and educational background.

Nominations can be submitted from July 1, 2017 to November 1, 2017 through the ACS web service.

Nick Abbott, Chair, ACS Colloids Division Awards Subcommittee

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# Wanted: new Honorary Secretary & Treasurer and new Newsletter Editor & Webmaster for IACIS

Since 2006 the function of IACIS Honorary Secretary & Treasurer is performed by Mieke Kleijn (Wageningen University, The Netherlands). Ger Koper (Technical University of Delft, The Netherlands) has been the IACIS Newsletter & Webmaster since 2010. Both will retire from these functions in 2018. So, it is time to have a look around for possible candidates to take over!

Apart from the work and responsibilities listed below, both functions offer an excellent opportunity to get in touch with many scientists in our field and build on a world-wide network in colloid and interface science. Both the Honorary Secretary & Treasurer and Newsletter Editor & Webmaster are appointed by the Council of IACIS. Furthermore, they are members of the Council and of the Standing Committee; the latter is formed together with the President, President-elect and Immediate Past President.

The Honorary Secretary & Treasurer is responsible for dealing with all membership matters, and for properly handling of financial matters; in addition the job involves responsibility for the elections of Council members and President.

The NL Editor & Webmaster is responsible for the IACIS Newsletter, which is sent every 2 - 3 months per email to all IACIS members, and for the IACIS website.

If you are interested or have any questions about these vacancies, do not hesitate to contact Mieke Kleijn or Ger Koper.

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