The new EMS year has started with the call for nominations for the EMS Outstanding Paper Awards 2020. EMS has received a significant amount of very high-quality papers presenting good balance between the categories. This year is also particular since there is a new jury for the 2020-2024 period, which will be made public in the EMS website in the next weeks. The jury resulted from a careful selection from the proposals of the executive committee. The jury will be chaired by Randi Holmestad, and headed by the President José-María Valpuesta. Both are non-voting members of the jury. The award-winning papers will be announced to the EMS members in May this year in our newsletter, and the authors will receive their awards at our General Assembly during the EMS extension, the Joint Meeting of Dreiländertagung & Multinational Congress on Microscopy, to be held in Vienna, Austria on August 22-26, 2021. Due to the restricted situation, the conference will be virtual. There will be a variety of opportunities to interact with speakers, exhibitors, and other conference participants.

This year, there will not be a specific call for Scholarships, but rather EMS will help students on their registrations to a selected Microscopy meeting.

The EMS executive Board will have its virtual meeting in April this year.

In the first half of 2021, the following four events are financially supported by EMS:


3. QEM2021 (probably delayed to 2022) 09 to 21 May 2021. Port-Barcarès – France

4. Molecular Diagnostics Training School & Digital Pathology and Image Analysis Training School. 08 to 10 February 2021. Vienna – Austria

This financial support from the EMS ensures that also these smaller events, often organized in the form of a school or course, can invite top scientists to lecture our coming generations of microscopists.

For the second half of the year (July to December 2021), calls for sponsored events will be launched by the end of February.

In the coming months, you will receive the EMS Yearbook 2020, which is now under construction. This edition will include reports from EMS awards, past EMC, EMS sponsored events, EMS students reports from EMC2020, and many other information.

We invite you to visit the EMS webpage: http://www.eurmicsoc.org/en/, which is daily updated to efficiently provide you with information from our community.

Any suggestions and ideas for future newsletters are welcome at sec@eurmicsoc.org.

EMS on Facebook and Twitter:  

Prof. Dr. Virginie SERIN  
EMS Secretary  
CEMES - CNRS & Université Toulouse  
29 rue Jeanne Marvig 31055 Toulouse  
Tel.: +33 5 62 25 78 67 - email: sec@eurmicsoc.org

Prof. Dr. José Maria VALPUESTA  
Centro Nacional de Biotecnología (CNB-CSIC)  
Darwin 3, 28049, Madrid, Spain  
Tel: +34 91 589 4690 - jmv@cnb.csic.es