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Last month, the EMS Extension, the  $17^{\text{th}}$  Multinational Congress on Microscopy (MCM), took place in Portorož, Slovenia, from 07 to 12 September 2025. The event gathered a large number of international participants and a significant number of excellent scientific contributions.



At the meeting, many EMS activities were organized. The EMS Executive Board met on Monday, September 8, 2025, to discuss several urgent matters and to prepare for the General Assembly Meeting held on Wednesday, September 10, 2025. Furthermore, the General Assembly was attended by 85 EMS members. Regular matters including the presidential report, budget, updates on the next EMC 2028, Sponsored Events, changes to the constitution, and other activity prospects were discussed and approved. At the end of the meeting, the Outstanding Paper Award (OPA2024) ceremony took place, where 3 exceptionally high-standard papers were awarded and presented.

A total of 25 scholarships, each of 400 €, were awarded to students and early-stage researchers from different countries for their participation in the

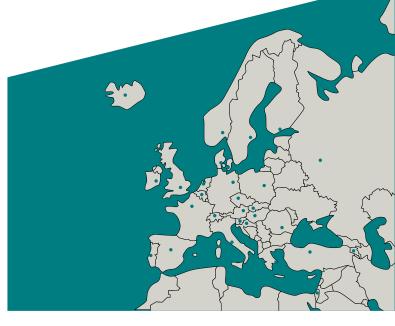




17MCM. Their report will be published in the EMS yearbook. At this congress, three prizes were awarded for the best poster in Life Science, Materials sciences and Instrumentation. The next call for 2026 scholarships will be launched at the end of the year. These scholarships are primarily intended for attendance at the 21st International Microscopy Congress (IMC21) in Liverpool, UK from 31 August to 4 September 2026.

https://www.imc21.org.uk

In addition to the scientific activities, the EMS was fortunate to take part in several social events, such as the Charity Run organized by the congress, where EMS members enthusiastically ran together for a good cause.



The European Microscopy Society (EMS) is proud to have participated and warmly thanks the organizers and all participants for this enriching EMS Extension Meeting.

For next year, the call for applications for EMS Sponsored Events for the first





half of the year (January to June 2026) has been launched, with the deadline on September 30, 2025. Applications will be reviewed by the EMS Executive Board, and the final decision will be announced in the next newsletter. This financial support from the EMS ensures that even smaller events may invite top scientists to lecture our coming generations of microscopists. You can find more information on these events at the EMS website: https://www.eurmicsoc.org/en/meeting-calendar/ems-sponsored-events/.

In the coming weeks, material for the **2026 EMS Yearbook** will be gathered by the secretary, including reports from all EMS supported events (EMS Extension, EMS sponsored and EMS patronage events), as well as the EMS lectures, EMS scholarships, reports from the national societies, etc. If you have organized or are aware of a particular **microscopy related event in 2025** which you feel is relevant (awards, special anniversaries, etc.), please send us a short text with one or two pictures, so that it can be included in the Yearbook (in case we receive too many requests, some of them will be placed on the corresponding pages of the EMS website).

In the coming months, the **call for 2025 EMS Outstanding Paper Award** will be opened to all EMS members; we look forward to receiving many excellent nominations. The awards will be announced at **IMC 2026 in Liverpool.** 

As usual, the EMS continues to support the activities of our members, so please have a look at our webpage: http://www.eurmicsoc.org/en/for news and announcements on the various meetings, workshops and events that will take place over the next year.

Any suggestions and ideas for future newsletters are welcome at  $secr@ext{-}eurmicsoc.org$ 

We also invite you to visit the EMS social media pages, which are updated daily to provide you with efficient information from our community:









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