

Dear colleagues,

The present issue of Imaging & Microscopy appears just after the Multinational Congress on Microscopy, MCM2015, in Eger, Hungary. Next to the mmc2015 in Manchester, UK, this is one of the two EMS Extensions supported by the EMS this year. In Eger the EMS General Assembly will be organized on Thursday August 27 at 14:00, after the EMS Executive Board meeting. For participation in Eger, 18 young EMS members received an EMS scholarship of 250 euro while 11 were supported to attend mmc2015. At mmc2015 also the Outstanding Paper Awards were handed over to the 2014 winners.

In the second half of 2015, the International Electron Crystallography School (ECS2015) organized in Duga Uvala, Croatia, 28-31 August, a satellite event to the European Crystallographic Meeting – ECM29 held in Rovinj, Croatia (23-28 of August) and the Microscopy at the Frontiers of Science 2015 - MFS2015 meeting in Porto from 9 to 11 September, organized by the Portuguese and Spanish societies are both supported as EMS sponsored events.

For this 50th newsletter of our society, we are pleased to announce that at the General Assembly in Eger some important

issues will be addressed. During the past year the Executive Board investigated the possibility to outsource part of the administration of the secretarial office in order to ensure a sustainable and professional support for the society, irrespective of changes in the Board membership. Discussions and interactions with several interested parties were conducted at several occasions and finally a contract was signed with the MCO company, also supporting the organisation of EMC 2016 in Lyon. At present, MCO is working on a new layout and functionalities for the website and membership database which will be presented at the General Assembly. We invite you all to join us at this assembly to hear about some of these new initiatives for our society.

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