

CHIMIA News

Editorial Board

Dear CHIMIA readers,

Together with my colleagues of the Editorial Board I wish you all the best and much success and happiness in 2016.

2015 was Prof. Paul J. Dyson's (EPF Lausanne) first, very successful, year as Editor-in-Chief. His term will end in 2017 and the CHIMIA Editorial Board is currently looking for a successor who wants to take over this position as of 2018.

After a total of 11 years of service, Jérôme Lacour (University of Geneva) left the Editorial Board at the end of 2015. He had been a board member since 2005 and Editor-in-Chief from 2011 to 2014. I thank him – personally, and on behalf of my colleagues on the board – for all his efforts involved in the successful realization of the scientific program and the implementation of new ideas.

Another two members of the editorial board were replaced: Prof. Karl-Heinz Ernst (Empa Dübendorf) and Dr. Peter Maienfisch (Syngenta). I thank Prof. Ernst for his six years as CHIMIA's news editor and Dr. Maienfisch for his more than 16 years in the difficult advertisement field.

We are happy to welcome Prof. Jürgen Stohner (ZHAW Wädenswil) as Karl-Heinz Ernst's successor. Because of planned rearrangement of content, see below, he will collaborate much more closely with the SCS head office than his predecessors and will also receive adequate support.

Dr. Sarah Sulzer-Mosse (Syngenta) will succeed Peter Maienfisch. We are happy that this position is again occupied by a person from industry. Peter Maienfisch kindly offered to continue until his successor returns from her maternity leave for which we are very grateful. He became Honorary Professor at the East China University of Science and Technology where as guest professor he will give a series of lectures. We wish him all the best for this new challenge.

CHIMIA will partially reorganize its news section. Information and news will no longer be organized according to its source (SCNAT, SCS, Divisions) but instead according to its topic (news, honors, events, general information from and to the community). To this end we will intensify our collaboration with the SCS head office. Jürgen Stohner and David Spichiger will jointly feed this section.

The planned content in 2016 again is composed of topical issues and contributions from the Swiss Chemical Society and its Divisions. This year's issues will again be organized and supervised by recognized specialists, and it is with great pleasure that I thank them for their demanding voluntary work that is so important for us. We all hope that you will enjoy reading the CHIMIA issues of 2016.

Roland W. Kunz, Chairman

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