

# **Second announcement**

# IX<sup>th</sup> ECNP International Conference on Nanostructured Polymers and Nanocomposites

# Rome, Italy, September 19 to 21, 2016

We are pleased to invite you to the  $9^{\text{TH}}$  ECNP International Conference on Nanostructured Polymers and Nanocomposites. The conference covers polymer science from fundamentals to applications: synthesis of polymers and macromolecular architectures, characterization, processing, as well as theory of polymers and nanocomposites. The focus is on functional polymeric materials and nanocomposites, supramolecular chemistry and interface design as well as aspects of sustainability. This conference continues the well established tradition of international conferences started with the European Network of Excellence NANOFUN-POLY in 2004 and continuing every other year through the European Centre for Nanostructured Polymers (ECNP).

# **Topics**

- Progress in polymer synthesis
- Smart polymers and gels for optoelectronics, sensing, and biomedicine
- Polymer materials from renewable resources and energy harvesting
- Rubbers and elastomers
- 3D printing of polymeric materials
- Functional nanocomposites and coatings
- Advanced processing and characterization techniques
- Modelling of processes and properties

# Chairpersons

Francesca Nanni (INSTM - University of Rome "Tor Vergata", Italy)

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## **Scientific Advisory Committee**

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#### **Program**

The program will include a number of invited plenary and keynote talks on recent topics, challenges and developments in the field as well as contributed lectures and poster presentations. Parallel sessions will allow quite a number of participants to present results in oral talks. The posters will be up for the whole duration of the conference and can thus be discussed in detail during all breaks and within specific poster sessions.

#### **Plenary Speakers**

Brigitte Voit – IPF, Germany Karen I Winey – Univ. of Pennsylvania, USA Paolo Lugli – Technical University of Munich, Germany

## **Keynote Speakers**

Philippe Dubois - University of Mons, Belgium Gert Heinrich - IPF, Germany

Yongjin Li- Hangzhou Normal University, China Alfonso Jimenez - University of Alicante, Spain Philippe Cassagnau - University of Lyon, France Krzysztof Halagan - Lodz University of Technology, Poland

Tommaso Ghidini - European Space Agency, Netherlands

Carmen Mijangos - ITCP, CSIC Madrid, Spain

#### **Call for Papers**

Abstracts for contributions can be submitted from March 14, 2016 to <a href="mailto:ecnp2016@ecnp-eu.org">ecnp2016@ecnp-eu.org</a>.

## **Important Dates**

Opening online submission: March 14, 2016
Deadline for contributions: May 31, 2016
Notification of acceptance: June 17, 2016
Deadline for early registration: July 1, 2016

#### Venue

The Conference will take place at the conference rooms of Roma Eventi Fontana di Trevi (http://www.roma-eventi.com/eng/fontana-ditrevi/index.html)

## **Social Program**

Much attention will be paid to promote exchange contacts and discussions between the participants. To this aim, a get-together meeting, a conference dinner, and a sightseeing program will be offered during the conference.

## **Exhibition/Sponsoring**

Companies interested in exhibiting and/or sponsoring the conference please contact <a href="mailto:ecnp@ecnp.eu.org">ecnp@ecnp.eu.org</a>

#### **Registration Fee**

The registration fees will amount to about:
EUR 450 standard
EUR 250 students
EUR 50 late registration extra charge
(including all conference materials, coffee breaks, as well as social program)





#### **Travel**

Rome is situated in Central Italy. Two International Airports link Rome by direct connections with all major European cities.

Visa may be required for participants from some countries. Participants are requested to apply as soon as possible. The conference organization can issue supporting letters on request.

#### Accommodation

Rome has a full offer of hotels and guest houses of different categories close to the conference venue that can be easily found and booked on internet.

# **Local Organizers and Contact Address**

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