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Information from the EuCheMS Division of Analytical Chemistry (DAC)

The 45th Annual Meeting of DAC was successfully held on 31 August 2014, in Istanbul prior to the opening of the 5th EuCheMS Chemistry Congress (ECC 5). Paul Worsfold as current Chair of DAC welcomed Delegates and Observers from 15 countries attending the meeting. The updated DAC strategy for 2015–2017 was approved at the meeting and can be found at <http://www.euchems.eu/divisions/analytical-chemistry.html>.

In 2015, the prime event within the activities of DAC will be EUROANALYSIS XVIII, which will be held in Bordeaux, France, at the Congress Center (Bordeaux-Lac), 6–10 September 2015, under the auspices of the Société Chimique de France. EUROANALYSIS started in 1972 and represents a broad-spectrum conference on analytical chemistry organized on a regular basis with its venue rotating between European countries. EUROANALYSIS has established itself as the premier European meeting for discussion and presentation of analytical chemistry in a global sense and constitutes a forum for analytical chemists from academia, governance and industry, allowing the formation of networks between chemical societies and their members working in the diverse fields of analytical

sciences. This scientific event returns to France after nearly 40 years and will be a unique chance to get comprehensive insights into contemporary analytical chemistry. Among the highlights of EUROANALYSIS XVIII will be the Robert Kellner Lecture given by Bernhard Lendl from Vienna, Austria, and the presentation of the newly established DAC-EuCheMS Award to Miguel Valcárcel from Cordoba, Spain. Both the Robert Kellner Lecture and the DAC-EuCheMS Award are sponsored by Springer.

EUROANALYSIS XIX will be organized in Stockholm, Sweden, by the Swedish Chemical Society. The tentative date is 27–31 August 2017.

The next Annual Meeting of DAC will be held in Bordeaux on 6 September 2015, and a decision about a new Chair of DAC for the period 2017–2019 will be made. The Steering Committee of DAC has nominated Slavica Razic to succeed Paul Worsfold. Other nominations are welcome, and an official letter from a member society of DAC should be sent to the chair or the secretary.

Currently, DAC operates six Study Groups devoted to major topics of particular importance, namely “Education in Analytical Chemistry,” “Bioanalytics,” “History,” “Quality Assurance and Accreditation,” “Chemometrics” and “Archeometry and Cultural Heritage in Analytical Chemistry” (see <http://www.euchems.eu/divisions/analytical-chemistry/news-current-activities-conferences-and-events/study-groups-and-task-forces.html>). These Study Groups are evaluated after a period of 3 years and may be renewed.

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