

FASC Newsletter 1, 2020

As some of you will know, we have a sister organisation in Asia called FACS; note we are called FASC.

A recent guest editorial article appeared in C and E News written by former FACS personnel

It is an interesting article as it shows the growth of FACS from small beginnings (11 countries) in 1979 to the FACS of 2020 (32 countries). Over the 40 years since its beginnings it has grown to be an organisation that attracted over 2500 chemists to their FACS meeting in Taipei, Taiwan, in December 2019. FASC, by contrast, has now been going for about 14 years and indeed, we are still struggling along as we proceed to get more member countries joining and determine strategies to obtain financial security. But, if we compare ourselves to FACS, we have another 26 years to achieve what FACS has done!

The above tells us that we must continue with our direction of integrating and stimulating chemistry in all its forms on the African continent. It will be a long and possibly slow process, but a not impossible one

Neil Coville







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Information for the newsletter

Please send all information to either Beth (<u>admin@faschem.org</u>), Emmanuel Ohaekenyem (<u>ec.ohaekenyem@unizik.edu.ng</u>) or to me (<u>neil.coville@wits.ac.za</u>)

Beth has placed all earlier newsletters on the FASC website.

Advertising in the FASC newsletter

The newsletter will provide a means of getting messages to our member countries. This newsletter thus provides a means of advertising employment opportunities, conferences and workshops, and even for companies/Universities to promote themselves. We encourage member countries to use the Newsletter for advertising purposes. All conferences and events will be advertised for free; if not a FASC country, or related event there could be a small charge. For advertising costs, contact Beth in the FASC office

FASC member countries







We are currently attempting to upgrade our country membership list. There is a small charge associated with membership. Please contact the treasurer, Prof Yonas Chebude for information (yonasc@faschem.org; yonasdb1@yahoo.com).

ABC Chem Conference 2021

This event will be held at the Palais des congrès –Marrakech, Morocco from 14-18 December 2021. FASC will be hosting the event. Please diarise the date.

We are hoping to have an excellent turnout from member countries at this event. More information will be made available in the months ahead.



Association Marocaine de Chimie Analytique pour un Développement Durable

Second Atlantic Basin Conference on Chemistry

Marrakech





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Federation of Asian Chemical Societies (FACS) news

Note the actual article described in the Editorial was printed in Chemical & Engineering News (Copyright © 2020 American Chemical Society). **Big initiatives are ahead for the Federation of Asian Chemical Societies** *by Tom Spurling, John Webb and David Winkler;* JANUARY 26 (2020) 98(4)







Chemical Society news

1) Kenya



Young Chemists News

News of upcoming events

1. Green Chemistry Postgraduate Summer School







The School will be held in Venice from 4th to 10h July 2020 www.unive.it/ssgc. https://iupac.org/event/postgraduate-summer-school-on-green-chemistry/

This Summer School follows the outcomes of the Symposium "Chemistry addressing UN-17 sustainable development goals" (Paris, IUPAC General Assembly and Congress, 8th July 2019 https://www.iupac2019.org/sympo-8-5). Outstanding teachers, major chemical industries, top level students will be participating. Information concerning the 2018 previous edition at: https://www.unive.it/pag/fileadmin/user_upload/extra/SSGC/documenti/IUPAC_Postgraduate-summer-school_report_20_July_2018.pdf

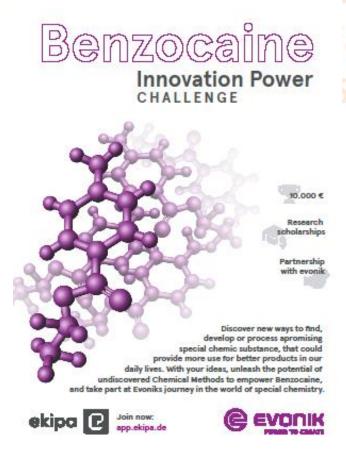
The 2020 Summer School will be limited to 80 students with 20 teachers. The fee is $600 \in + VAT$ for 6 days in Venice, all included. There may be 35 grants for students from less advantaged Countries, contact the organizer directly. green.chemistry@unive.it

2. "Benzocaine Innovation Power" Challenge

Organized by Ekipa with Evonik. (see enclosed flyer)

A competition to source for new ideas around the substance Benzocaine, to empower its potential for our daily lives. In addition to the immediate practical experience, the participants will receive prize money and the opportunity for a research cooperation or exciting job opportunities in our challenge partner Evonik's Research Department More on http://app.ekipa.de/challenges/Evonik

Contact: yannis@ekipa.de









3. Marie Sklodowska Curie Innovative Training Network

This is a multidisciplinary PhD program including international experience in several EU countries and a great deal of soft-skills preparation. They are looking for 15 PhD students from different backgrounds - physics, chemistry, material science, engineering. Stipends are normally 2-3 times higher than a classic graduate program thanks to EU funding. More info here: https://t.co/fvJvpnh331?amp=1

Fun Man Fung, Elected Secretary, on behalf of the IYCN Board

Website: IYCN; Twitter: @IntlYoungerChem; Facebook: @IYCN.global; LinkedIn:

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From Dr Sadhna Mathura, University of the Witwatersrand

4. A Chemistry Conference for Young Chemists (CYC) will be held in Belgium (19-21 Feb. 2020), Please see the advert and spread the word

African Journal of Chemical Education (AJCE)

A PDF version of the first issue of volume 9(3) AJCE 2019 is available. The online version is available at the FASC website: www.faschem.org, under Journal) and the AJOL website (www.ajol.info).

The table of contents is listed below:

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African Journals of Chemistry

Chemistry Africa.

A Journal of the Tunisian Chemical Society https://www.springer.com/chemistry/journal/42250?utm_source=hybris&utm_medium=e mail&utm_content=internal&utm_campaign=JFTT_2_aww_2018newjournals

Journal of the Mauritanian Chemical Society (JMCS)

Publishes research articles and conference proceedings in English or French. This is published online at: http://www.scmauritania.org/journal-scm; M A Sanhoury, JMCS Coordination Editor

South African Journal of Chemistry

This Journal is published electronically. The webpage is: http://www.saci.co.za/, Details of the journal and the editors can be seen at http://www.journals.co.za/sajchem/. The South African Journal of Chemistry, published by the South African Chemical Institute, has been publishing high quality papers, in all fields of Chemistry for over 100 years. The Journal went fully electronic in 2000 and is freely available through open access online (http://reference.sabinet.co.za/sa epublication/chem).

• African Corrosion Journal (online).

Commenced in 2015 – a peer reviewed corrosion journal. This journal may be of interest to the "practical" chemists amongst the SACI membership. https://view.publitas.com/icp-1/african-corrosion-journal







African Journal of Chemical Education

Enquiries and manuscripts should be addressed to the Editor-in-Chief: email <u>eic@faschem.org</u>, PO Box 2305, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. *AJCE*, 2016, 6(1) ISSN 2227-5835 The online version appears in the FASC website (<u>www.faschem.org</u>) and in the AJOL website (<u>www.ajol.info</u>).

- South African Journal of Science TOC@assaf.org.za
- Journal of the Chemical Society of Nigeria csnjournals@gmail.com; csnjournals@yahoo.com; editor@chemsocnigeria.org
- Bulletin of the Chemical Society of Ethiopia http://www.ajol.info/index.php/bcse/index
- South African Journal of Chemical Engineering

A fully open access journal http://www.journals.elsevier.com/south-african-journal-of-chemical-engineering/

African Journal of Pure and Applied Chemistry

EditorialOffice: ajpac@academicjournals.org; helpdesk@academicjournals.org; URL: www.academicjournals.org/journal/AJPAC

Scientific African

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African Academy of Sciences

Researcher mobility funds to promote collaboration among African and Indian scientists.

Africa India Mobility Fund

https://www.aasciences.ac.ke/aesa/programmes/mobility-schemes-africa-india-mobility-fund

RSC-PACN news



1) Access to all Royal Society of Chemistry journals

Access is available free of charge to universities and research institutions in 99 developing nations, through our partnership with Research4Life.

https://www.rsc.org/campaigns/m/v18/co/pacn_research4life/

Commonwealth Chemistry (CC)











This means that if you work at a registered institution in one of these countries, you now have access to everything the Royal Society of Chemistry publishes online.

<u>Check if your institute is registered with Research4Life</u>. If your institute is not yet registered, you can <u>register your institute here</u>.

2) Upcoming Events and Conferences Supported by the Pan Africa Chemistry Network

https://www.rsc.org/events/africa

GCMS and LCMS courses to be held in Kenya, Ethiopia, Ghana and Nigeria – now open for applications.

We welcome applications from researchers, lecturers, technicians, MSc students and PhD students in the chemical sciences from universities and research institutions across Africa. Full travel allowances (including all travel, accommodation and food) will be provided. We will cover all aspects of: gas chromatography, method development, quantitative analysis and spectral interpretation of GC-MS.

So if you want to develop your practical analytical techniques to solve local challenges and contribute to global scientific knowledge, make sure you give yourself enough time to check our application criteria and carefully consider your answers to our application questions. You'll also need to arrange a letter of introduction and recommendation if you're a student.

Don't miss out. Everything you need to know is on our website

• International Conference on Pure and Applied Chemistry (ICPAC) 6-10th July 2020, Flic-en-Flac, Mauritius

https://www.rsc.org/events/detail/42578/international-conference-on-pure-and-applied-chemistry-icpac

• Africans in STEM Symposium, 17th April 202, Cambridge, UK







https://www.africansinstem.co.uk/

The event is an opportunity for African/of African-descent researchers in STEM or individuals working on STEM areas with an African focus, across the UK to connect, share ideas, learn and form collaborations.

• Fourth Symposium on Analytical Chemistry for Sustainable Development (ACSD 2020), 25th-27th March, 2020, Marrakech, Morocco, Morocco

http://www.amcadd.org.ma/

3) Funding opportunities

https://www.rsc.org/awards-funding/funding/

- Inclusion & Diversity Fund

This provides financial support for innovative products, activities and research projects that promote inclusion and diversity in the chemical science community. Up to the value of £5,000.

https://www.rsc.org/awards-funding/funding/inclusion-diversity-fund/

- Scientific Meetings Grant

Apply for up to £2,000 to support your scientific meeting. The next closing date is 29 February 2020

https://www.rsc.org/scienceandtechnology/funding/division-small-grants/index.asp

- Assistance grants

Financial assistance of up to £1,000 per year to help chemists who require additional support to attend professional events such as a meeting, conference, workshop or professional development event.

https://www.rsc.org/new-perspectives/talent/assistance-grants/

- Grants for careers

You can apply for up to £1,000 per year to help you attend a chemistry-related event. This money would be used to cover any additional costs you incur paying for care that you usually provide.

https://www.rsc.org/new-perspectives/talent/grants-for-carers/

- Pan Africa Chemistry Network

Funding is also available to support conferences and events in Africa to support African science. Please contact Africa@rsc.org.

1) Commonwealth Chemistry Congress

Partnership for the Goals First Commonwealth Chemistry Congress



18 – 21 May 2020 | University of West Indies, St Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago

First Commonwealth Chemistry Congress – Partnerships for the Goals The University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago, 18-21 May 2020







Commonwealth Chemistry, the Federation of Commonwealth Chemical Sciences Societies, is delighted to announce that the inaugural Commonwealth Chemistry Congress (CCC) will take place at the Trinidad and Tobago campus of the University of West Indies from 18-21st May 2020.

The Congress will have a strong focus on early career chemists across the Commonwealth, with the aim of furthering their career development, enabling joint research and education activities, and providing training on policy and communicating research outputs.

https://www.rsc.org/events/detail/40292/first-commonwealth-chemistry-congress

2) President of Commonwealth Chemistry: Dr Vicki Gardner

Recently "Dr Vicki Gardiner was duly elected President Elect (of the CCC). Vicki has accepted the position and will become President for a two-year term at the General Assembly meeting in Trinidad and Tobago in May 2020. She is currently President of the Royal Australian Chemical Institute https://www.raci.org.au/theraci/board-profiles/president.

One of the first tasks for the President Elect, jointly with the CCTG, is to finalise the Commonwealth Chemistry Constitution and the setting up of the Executive Board for the federation, keeping in mind that diversity is a very important criterion, specifically with regard to: gender, geographical distribution and complementary skills and knowledge. This process will commence in early February.

In addition, the President Elect and the CCTG will continue to oversee the organisation of the Commonwealth Chemistry Congress 2020 that will take place on May 18-21 https://www.rsc.org/events/detail/40292/first-commonwealth-chemistry-congress.

Dr Alejandra Palermo, Senior Manager, External Relations, Royal Society of Chemistry

Conferences

- 1) **International Conference on Pure and Applied Chemistry (ICPAC-2020)**, 6-10 July 2020, Mauritius, http://sites.uom.ac.mu/icpac2020
- 2) **First Commonwealth Chemistry Congress**, 18-21 May 2020, The University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago
- 3) ACS Research Conference: Chemistry and Chemical Engineering in MENA _March 10-12 2020, Doha,_Qatar
- 4) 4th International Symposium on Halogen Bonding, 23-27 March 2020, Stellenbosch, SA
- 5) **Chem CYS meeting**, 19-21 February, Belgium, www.chemcys.be
- 6) Fourth symposium on analytical chemistry for sustainable development (ACSD 2020). March 25-27, 2020, Morocco, www.amcadd.org.ma
- 7) Nanoafrica 2020 19-22 April 2020, Johannesburg SA admin@nic.ac.za
- 8) **The Second International Days of Chemistry (JIC-2019),**14 to 16 November 2019, Nouakchott Mauritania. http://www.scmauritania.org; contact@scmauritania.org







9) 26th IUPAC International Conference on Chemistry Education Cape Town 13-17 July 2020; https://www.icce2020.org.za/

Detailed Conference Information

1) International Conference on Pure and Applied Chemistry (ICPAC-2020)



International Conference on Pure and Applied Chemistry formals in Chemical Sciences for the New Decade. 6 10 July 2020, Mauritius

BACKGROUND

The International Conference on Pure and Applied Chemistry (ICPAC) is a biennial conference which started in 2010. The 6th ICPAC conference (ICPAC-2020) will be held on 6-10 July 2020 in Mauritius. The Organising Committee has adopted the theme "Frontiers in Chemical Sciences for the New Decade" for this event.

In 2020, we will also mark the International Year of Plant Health.

VENUE

The Conference will be held at Hotel Sofitel Mauritius Impérial Resort & Spa, Flic-en-Flac, Mauritius.

DEADLINES

Workshop/Symposium Proposal	30 th	Nov 2019
Abstract Submission (Oral or Poster)	1st	Feb 2020
Booking for Accommodation	15 th	Mar 2020
Early Registration	15 th	Mar 2020
Full Paper (Optional)	1 st	Oct 2020

TOPICS

Agricultural Chemistry **Analytical Chemistry Bioinformatics Biophysical Chemistry Chemical Biology** Chemical Education **Chemical Engineering Chemical Physics Chemical Safety** Cheminformatics & Bioinformatics **Chemistry of Natural Products** Computational/Theoretical Chemistry **Cosmetics Chemistry Environmental Chemistry** Food Chemistry **Green Chemistry** Forensic Science **Industrial Chemistry** Inorganic Chemistry Material Science & Nanotechnology **Medicinal Chemistry Organic Chemistry**

Petroleum Chemistry Pharmaceutical Chemistry **Physical Chemistry** Polymer Chemistry Interdisciplinary Chemistry Fields

We look forward to welcoming you, academicians and researchers, to participate in this international gathering.

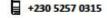
For more information about the conference, registration, and submission of abstract, please visit:

http://sites.uom.ac.mu/icpac2020/



The Secretariat, Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Science, University of Mauritius, Réduit 80837, Mauritius













2) ACS Research Conference: Chemistry and Chemical Engineering in MENA March 10-12 2020, Doha, Qatar



The American Chemical Society, Qatar Chapter presents

ACS Research Conference: CHEMISTRY AND CHEMICAL ENGINEERING IN MENA

Under the patronage of

H.E. Dr. Ibrahim Al-Naimi

Undersecretary of the Ministry of Education and Higher Education, State of Qatar

10-12 March 2020 Doha, Qatar



PLENARY SPEAKER
Sir Fraser Stoddart
Nobel Laureate in Chemistry 2016
Northwestern University, USA

Call for papers and more information: www.acs.qa

















Fig 2: ACS Research Conference 2020 flyer







3) 4th International Symposium on Halogen Bonding











Symposium on Halogen Bonding (ISXB-4) to be held in Stellenbosch, South Africa, 23-27 March 2020.

The symposium will cover both experimental and theoretical aspects of a broad range of fields such as medicinal chemistry, chemical biology, materials science and industrial applications through plenary addresses, contributed presentations and posters.

We look forward to welcoming you to Stellenbosch in 2020!

Important dates:

Bursary application deadline Oral abstract submission Early bird registration Poster abstract submission

15 November 2019 30 November 2019

15 December 2019 1 February 2019



23-27 March 2020 Stellenbosch, South Africa



https://isxb42020.net/



Fia 4: 4th International Symposium on Halogen Bonding 2020 flyer

ChemCYS 2020 Chemistry Conference for Younger Scientists.

ChemCYS' 15th edition will take place from 19 to 21 February 2020 in Blankenberge (Belgium). This conference promises to give young attendees the opportunity to present early results of their research. Topics are focussed on the typical research domains in chemistry. The best oral and poster presentation of each session will be awarded.

We accept presentations and posters in the following subjects:

- **Analytical Chemistry**
- **Biochemistry and Biotechnology**
- **Computational Chemistry**
- **Environmental Chemistry**
- **Food Chemistry**
- **Green and Sustainable Chemistry**
- **Inorganic Chemistry**
- **Macromolecular Chemistry**

- **Materials Chemistry**
- **Medicinal Chemistry**
- **Nuclear and Radiochemistry**
- **Organic Chemistry**
- **Organometallic Chemistry**
- **Physical Chemistry Solid State Chemistry**







Since 2010, this conference has received an increasing international interest and a growing number of participants. Due to this international appreciation, ChemCYS is since 2014 officially endorsed by the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) and the European Chemical Society (EuChemS).

Fourth symposium on analytical chemistry for sustainable development (ACSD 2020)



The 4th International Symposium on "Analytical Chemistry for a Sustainable Development" March 25-27, 2020 Marrakech-Morocco

The Fourth symposium on analytical chemistry for sustainable development (ACSD 2020) will be held in Marrakech, Morocco - Adam Park Hotel, March 25-27, 2020.

The deadline for submission of abstract has been extended to 20 December 2019.

Contributions for oral and poster sessions are now invited.

We kindly invite you in the spring of 2020 to attend this international symposium in Marrakech, Morocco.

Symposium topics include:

- 1. Emerging techniques in analytical science and Materials analysis.
- 2. Electroanalysis.
- 3. New Materials and Nanomaterials application: Water treatment, Fuel cell...
- 4. Bioanalysis, Pharmaceutical, and bioanalytical techniques.
- 5. Food and Environmental analysis

Full papers selected by the scientific committee will be reviewed and published in the ACSD Proceeding

Registration and submission of abstract available on our website: are now www.amcadd.org.ma

Conference Chairs: M. El Rhazi / S. Alami Younssi On behalf of the organizing committee (ACSD 2020)







6) 8th International Conference on Nanoscience and Nanotechnology in Africa (NanoAfrica 2020)

SAVE THE DATE!

8th International Conference on Nanoscience and Nanotechnology in Africa

Enabling the Commercialisation of Nanotechnological Innovation



SAN South African
Nanotechnology
Initiative

www.sani.org.za

A global leader in mineral and metallurgical innovation

www.mintek.co.za



Email: keneiloes@mintek.co.za

Fig 5: NanoAfrica 2020 conference flyer

Toxicity, Risk assessment and Regulations of nanomaterials







7) 26th IUPAC International Conference on Chemistry Education (ICCE 2020)



26th IUPAC International Conference on Chemistry Education



PLENARY SPEAKERS

- Judith Bennett: Salters' Professor of Science Education and leader of the University of York Science Education Group, UYSEG, UK
- Ruby Hanson: Dean of the Faculty of Science Education and an Associate Professor of Chemistry Education, University of Education, Winneba, Ghana
- Thomas Holme: Morrill Professor, Chemistry Department, Iowa State University,
- Elizabeth Mavhunga: Associate Professor of Chemical Education and Deputy Head of School (Research), University of the Witwatersrand School of Education (WSoE), South Africa
- Hannah Sevian: Professor of Chemistry, College of Science and Mathematics, University of Massachusetts, Boston, USA

INVITED SPEAKERS

Assistant Professor Gautam Bhattacharrya, Missouri State University

- Professor Ron Blonder, Weizmann Institute
 Professor Saouma Boujaoude, American University of Beirut • Dr Temechegn Engida, African Journal of Chemical Education (AJCE)
- . Dr Ozcan Gulacar, University of California, Davis . Sir John Holman, University of York
- Professor Vanessa Kind, Durham University Associate Professor Gwen Lawrie, University of Queensland . Dr Kgadi Mathabathe, University of Pretoria
- Associate Professor Mauro Morcerino, Curtin University
 Associate Professor Frackson Mumba, University of Virginia . Dr Lynne Pilcher, University of Pretoria . Professor Marissa Rollnick, University of Pretoria and University of the Witwatersrand . Dr Joyce Sewry, Rhodes University . Assistant Professor Ginger Shultz, University of Michigan . Associate Professor Daniel Southam, Curtin University



REGISTRATION AND ABSTRACT / WORKSHOP SUBMISSIONS ARE OPEN! APPLY ONLINE

IMPORTANT DATES:

Abstract notification: 31 March 2020

Early bird closing: 15 April 2020



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8) 4th International Symposium On Analytical Chemistry For Sustainable Development (ACSD2020)







