

Annual Report 2018 and Outlook 2019

SCS Division of Analytical Sciences

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Activities, Symposia, Conferences, Projects 2018

- The board had four regular board meetings and a two-day retreat in April, prior to the *CHanalysis*
- *CHanalysis*, April 12-13, Beatenberg: Over 50 analytical scientists attended and enjoyed the scientific and social exchange. A conference report was published in *CHIMIA* 72(6).
- Courses: Esther Wolff takes over the course secretariat from the longtime assistants Verena Schmid and Lilo Weisshaupt.
- METAS has launched an award honoring outstanding contributions to the field of metrology in chemistry and/or biology.
- The DAS gave out five travel awards (one postdoc from the Hopfgartner group Uni Geneva visiting ASMS in San Diego, one PhD from the Zenobi group ETHZ going to ICORS in Korea, one PhD from the Bleiner group EMPA going to the Dioxin Symposium in Krakow, one PhD from the Suter group Eawag attending the MSBM Summer School in Dubrovnik, and one PhD student from the Schirmer group Eawag going to Rome).

Changes in the Board

- Walter Giger, member of the board since 1991 and president of the DAS (2002-2005), leaves the board after 27 years of service. He is warmly thanked for his support of the division.
- Urban Frey (HES-SO Valais), board member since 2002, also leaves the board with acclamation.
- Corinne Jud (Agroscope), Kathrine Fenner (Eawag) and Christof Finkler (Hoffmann-La Roche) joined the DAS board in 2018.

Outlook 2019

- The DAS has submitted a letter of intent for the Euroanalysis 2023 to be held in Geneva on September 2.-6. Four supporting letters from Hoffmann-La Roche, Nestec, Novartis and Syngenta were included in the package. Organizing committee comprises E Bakker, F Kalmann, M Suter.
- The Section Environmental Sciences is currently being initiated as sub-group of the DAS, led by the new DAS board member Kathrin Fenner (Eawag)
- Thomas Ternes will be the SCS Lecturer in May 2019. Roadmap: 13. Eawag (Dübendorf), 14. FHNW (Muttenz), 15. Uni Bern, 16. Uni Geneva, 17. EPFL (Lausanne). Organization: M Suter.
- The *CHanalysis* will be taking place in Beatenberg, April 11-12. DAS has acquired sponsoring for the event from four companies (PAL, Merck, Roche, Waters).