



# General Assembly of the European Photochemistry Association

Dimitra Markovitsi, Chair

# agenda

- ▶ report on the action of the Executive Committee
- ▶ revision of the statutes
- ▶ elections

# starting point

EPA General Assembly  
ICP, Cologne, 30<sup>th</sup> July 2007

mid-term of the Executive Committee office

Chair David Phillips resigned

New members:

David Worrall & Werner Nau

# Present Executive Committee

**Silvio Canonica** (Switzerland) Treasurer

**Nina Gritsan** (Russia) Membership

**Helge Lemmetyinen** (Finland) Vice-Chair

**Dimitra Markovitsi** (France) Chair

**Sandra Monti** (Italy) PPS issues

**Werner Nau** (Germany) Public relations

**David Phillips** (UK) Past Chair

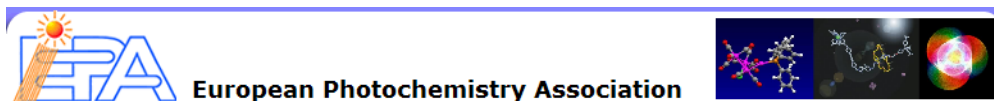
**Eric Vauthey** (Switzerland) Web Manager

**David Worrall** (UK) Newsletter Editor

collective action  
*(5 meetings)*  
&  
specific tasks

# New website

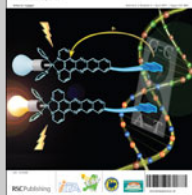
## <http://www.photochemistry.eu/>



### Welcome to our webpage!

#### •• EPA Official Journal ••

##### Photochemical & Photobiological Sciences



The PPS 2006 IF just released from ISI is 2.416

The objective of the **EUROPEAN PHOTOCHEMISTRY ASSOCIATION** is to promote the development of photochemistry in Europe and contacts among photochemists. The Association is concerned with various experimental and theoretical aspects of the interaction of light with molecular systems, ranging from basic knowledge and practical know-how in photochemistry to application in areas such as chemical synthesis, electronics, material science, nanotechnology, biology and medicine. [more](#)

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#### NEW NEW NEW

- [Call for nomination for the 2008 Porter Medal](#)
- [Newsletter of December 2007](#)

New sections have been added:

- [Forum](#)
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web manager  
Eric Vauthey

member-only area  
password: epa2008



# EPA Newsletter



**Editor**

**David Worrall**

1 electronic + 1 printed issue

printing and mailing: Italy

thanks to **Sandra Monti**

regular printed issues



**referenced on the web of science**

please check your address on the EPA website and send corrections to Silvio Canonica

# Prize for the best PhD thesis in the field of photochemistry

PhD Thesis defended in 2006/2007 : 23 candidates

nomination is a special distinction in our community

winners:

**Maria Abrahamsson**

*University of Uppsala, Sweden*

“Tuning of the excited state properties of ruthenium (II) polypyridyl complexes”

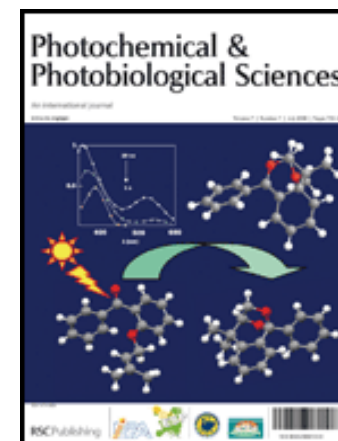
**Alexander Fürstenberg**

*University of Geneva, Switzerland*

“Ultrafast Excited-State Dynamics in Biological and in Organised Environments”

# Photochemical & Photobiological Sciences

- since 2002
- owners: EPA and ESP
- publisher: Royal Society of Chemistry
- highest impact factor of all photochemical-biological journals: 2.208 (2007)
- all EPA members: electronic access
- no page charges



[www.rsc.org/pps](http://www.rsc.org/pps)

**Sandra Monti:**  
**Chair of the PPS Ownership board**  
*2 meetings (October 2007, April 2008)*

publishes all types of studies in the field of photochemistry



# Membership

July 2007  $\approx$  800 members

including persons who were no more active in the field  
and/or non paying membership fees

difficulty:

some non active national treasurers

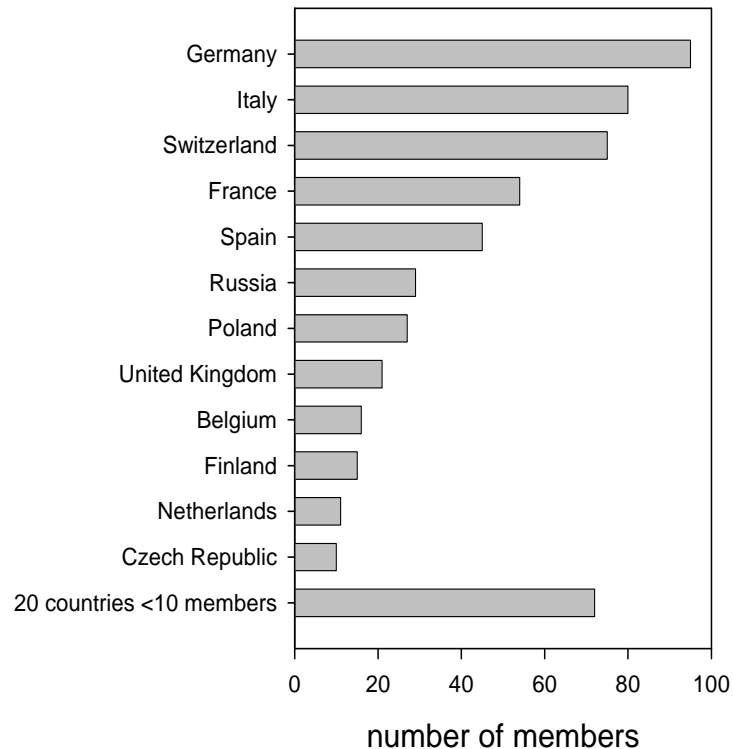
EPA finances ↓↓

# Membership

Special effort by **EPA Treasurer Silvio Canonica**

Coordination with **Nina Gritsan & Eric Vauthey**

- clarify relations with national treasurers
- introduce simplified credit card payment



**2008:**  
**552 active members**  
**31 countries**

# 2009 Membership

Full membership	30 €
Student membership	15 €

must be paid  
at the beginning of the year!!!

# Financial report

## Assets

31 December 2005	99 715 SFr
31 December 2006	81 021 SFr
31 December 2007	99 359 SFr

*30 July 2008* *99 546 SFr*

report sent to the Auditors:  
Helmut Görner & René Williams

# Flyer



public relations

**Werner Nau**

Thanks to [Sarah Ruthven](#), PPS-RSC

# Conferences

**Reduced registration fees** in Photochemistry Conferences  
**Thanks to the organizers of the IUPAC Conference!!!**

**Central European Conference on Photochemistry**  
by the Austrian EPA Section (Hofgastein, February 2008)

Under the auspices of EPA  
**Photochemistry Summer School**  
by the Holland Research School of Molecular Chemistry (May 2008)

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EPA Session on Solar Energy (Dario Bassani)  
at the **European Conference for Photobiology** (September 2009, Poland)

**History of Photochemistry**  
by the Italian EPA Section (July 2010)

**Opening up scientific research to learning communities**  
European Lifelong Learning Programme (Athens 2008)

# Promotion of awareness of photochemistry and its applications to the wider public

## e-KNOWNET

European project starting in 2008

LIFELONG LEARNING PROGRAMME

electronic platform

create a pilot:

research laboratory  $\Rightarrow$  large public

focused on photochemistry

**EPA requested to act as a privileged stakeholder**

# statutes revision

Association founded in 1970

a change is necessary in order to adapt to  
the evolution of scientific and institutional  
context in Europe

rationale by **David Phillips**, past Chair