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#### **EMU POSTER PRIZE AT IMA 2014**



Melanie Sieber (right) receives the EMU Poster Prize certificate from Corina Ionescu (EMU Vice-President)

During the 21st General Meeting of the International Mineralogical Association (IMA 2014) in Sandton, Johannesburg (South Africa), EMU awarded a Poster Prize to Melanie Sieber for her poster entitled "A composite garnet pyroxenite xenolith yields a minimum age of 2.4 Ga for eclogitisation in the Kaapvaal subcratonic mantle." The poster was presented in the session "Cratons and Diamonds."

#### **EMU INITIATIVES FOR 2015**

#### Goldschmidt 2015 (Prague, August 16 to 21)

EMU sponsors two poster prizes and two travel grants to young scientists working in the mineralogical sciences. For details see http://eurominunion.org and http://goldschmidt.info/2015/.

The recipient of the 2014 EMU Research Excellence Medal was Encarnación Ruiz Agudo (Universidad de Granada, Spain). She will give her medalist talk, "Imaging and quantifying concentration gradients at the mineral–solution interface: insights into the mechanisms of incongruent dissolution," as a keynote in Theme 5, Session 5b "Organic and Inorganic Weathering and Mass Transfer from Mineral Scale to River Basin and Continental Scale Weathering and Surface Processes." The citation will be given by Andrew Putnis (University of Münster, Germany). See http://goldschmidt.info/2015/.

### EMU RESEARCH EXCELLENCE MEDAL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

This annually awarded silver medal will be presented to a young scientist (not more than 40 years old) who has published significant research and who is active in strengthening European scientific links. The nomination deadline for the 2015 competition is 31 May.





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# 8<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Mineralogy and Spectroscopy (ECMS 2015)

After a tour around Europe, with previous locations in Rome (1988), Berlin (1995), Kiev (1996), Paris (2001), Vienna (2004), Stockholm (2007) and Potsdam (2011), the European Conference on Mineralogy

and Spectroscopy will be back to the eternal city of Rome in September 2015.

Mineral spectroscopy has expanded enormously in the last 30 years and is now ready to focus on the interplay between short-range and long-range information to account for crystalline



and amorphous materials' physical properties. ECMS 2015 will continue the philosophy of previous conferences and provide a common forum to present new ideas, concepts, and results related to mineral spectroscopy. It will also offer an opportunity for students and young scientists to meet and interact with established, well-known scientists.

The Conference will be held 9-11 September at the headquarters of the National Research Council (CNR). Participants will have the opportunity to submit their manuscripts for publication in the ECMS 2015 special issue of the *European Journal of Mineralogy*.

The EMU will support ECMS 2015 with two travel grants of 400 EUR to young participants, plus one poster prize. More details on the program and the registration fees can be found at http://www.ecms2015.eu.

