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ROBERTA OBERTI AND LUCA BINDI: NEW ACCADEMIA NAZIONALE DEI LINCEI FELLOWS



Congratulations to the SIMP Fellows Roberta Oberti and Luca Bindi who were elected as new members of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei. The official ceremony will take place 8 November 2019 in Rome (Italy) in the presence of the President of the Italian Republic, Sergio Mattarella.

> Piergiulio Cappelletti (SIMP President)

Pierguilio Cappelletti, SIMP President

ALEXANDER VON HUMBOLDT RESEARCH AWARDEE: FABRIZIO NESTOLA



Fabrizio Nestola (left) receiving the Alexander von Humboldt Research Award from Hans-Christian Pape (right), President of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

Fabrizio Nestola (University of Padova, Italy) received the Alexander von Humboldt Research Award for his outstanding research on the Earth's interior and his pioneering analytical work on inclusions in superdeep diamonds. His studies combine X-ray diffraction of tiny particles enclosed in diamonds using synchrotron radiation and in-house instruments with highly sensitive detectors. Fabrizio Nestola received the award from Hans-Christian Pape, President of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, during a ceremony award held 27 June 2019

in Berlin (Germany) in the presence of the Chancellor of Germany, Angela Merkel, and the Federal President, Franz-Walter Steinmeier.

The award will allow Fabrizio to extend his analytical work to the nanolevel by applying transmission electron microscopy, which he will do in collaboration with Dr. Frank Brenker of the Goethe University of Frankfurt (Germany).

INTERNATIONAL NATURAL ZEOLITE ASSOCIATION WEBSITE

On behalf of the officers of the International Natural Zeolite Association (INZA), I wish to inform you that we have a brand new website that you can visit at the following address: https://www.inza.it/. You will find all the information concerning our organization, past meetings, how to join INZA, reading or adding



abstracts of new papers in the section "paper showcase", and news about the next meeting "Zeolite 2022" to be held in the beautiful island of Ischia (Italy).

> Alessio Langella, ex officio member Chair of Zeolite '22

EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF MINERALOGY: OPEN ACCESS



On behalf of the four mineralogical societies who publish the *European Journal of Mineralogy*, we are pleased to announce that we have signed a contract with Copernicus Publications for a "full open access" publication of our journal. One of the major advantages of this strategy will be to significantly increase the visibility of *EJM* and to reduce the publication time, primarily because the journal will now be fully on-line. We emphasize that the editorial board and the high standards of manuscript peer-review evaluation will remain exactly the same.

The website for submission of your manuscripts to the journal is already open at the address: https://www.european-journal-of-mineralogy.net/.

Article processing charge (APC): The regular APC will be \notin 75 per printed page (manuscript using Word template) or \notin 70 per printed page (manuscripts using LaTeX). However, SIMP members who are corresponding authors are entitled to a discount of 20% on APC charges.

To facilitate the transition to a fully open-access journal, we will offer an APC that is reduced to \notin 50 per printed page (or \notin 40 for SIMP members) for a period starting 1 January 2020.

As an exceptional offer, all manuscripts submitted *before* 31 December 2019 will only be charged an APC of €30 per printed page *for everyone*.

We would like to stress that this is a very competitive and attractive APC strategy for a high-quality journal such as the *EJM*, which likewise nurtures the ambition of becoming a prime reference journal for mineral sciences.

We are confident that you will continue to support *EJM* in this new adventure, and we are ready to welcome your best manuscripts!

Warm regards, **The EJM Editorial Committee**





MEREMA 2nd EDITION: INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL ON MANTLE DYNAMICS 30 March-2 April 2020, Sestri Levante (Italy)

The National Association of Petrologists (GNP) branch of SIMP (Italian Society of Mineralogy and Petrology), in collaboration with the PhD programs of the Universities of Pavia, Ferrara, Genova, Milano, Modena-Reggio Emilia and Torino, is organizing a second International School on Mantle Dynamics (MEREMA 2nd Edition), following on from the successful first MEREMA Winter School of 2017. The second school will be held in Sestri Levante at the wonderful **Hotel Vis à Vis (https://www.hotelvisavis.com**), situated along the Ligurian coast (Italy), approximately 40 km east of Genova and close to the famous "Cinque Terre".

The **MEREMA 2nd Edition** is a European Mineralogical Union (EMU) school aimed at assessing the present state of knowledge on the structure, chemical differentiation and dynamics of the mantle (taken as a whole system), and acquiring information from different disciplines, mainly from petrology and geophysics.

The school is open to graduate and PhD students, post-docs and young researchers in the Earth sciences. The program will include poster sessions to give participants the opportunity to present their research work.

Major themes of the school are the following:

- Chemical evolution and dynamics of the Earth's mantle
- Origin and length scale of chemical and isotopic mantle heterogeneities
- Transfer of heterogeneities from mantle sources to melts

Lecturers:

- Prof. Denis Andrault Observatoire de Physique du Globe de Clermont-Ferrand (France)
- Prof. Guillaume Caro Centre de Recherches Pétrographiques et Géochimiques (CRPG), Université de Lorraine (France)
- Prof. Cinzia Farnetani Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris (France)
- Prof. Marguerite Godard Géosciences Montpellier, CNRS, Université de Montpellier (France)
- Prof. Michel Gregoire Géosciences Environnement Toulouse (GET-CNRS, CNES, IRS, Université Paul Sabatier), Observatoire Midi-Pyrénées (France)
- Prof. Albrecht W. Hofmann Max Planck Institut f
 ür Chemie, Mainz (Germany)
- Prof. Richard Katz University of Oxford (United Kingdom)
- Prof. Sarah Lambart University of Utah (USA)
- Prof. William McDonough University of Maryland (USA)
- Prof. Yanick Ricard Université de Lyon, UCBL, ENSL, CNRS, LGL-TPE (France)
- Prof. Barbara Romanowicz University of California, Berkeley (USA), Collège de France
- Prof. Andreas Stracke Westfälische Wilhelms Universität, Münster (Germany)

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Registering for the Meeting

The maximum number of participants is 50. Selection of applicants will be made on the basis of their research topic and CV. After the pre-registration deadline (15 October 2019), selected applicants will receive an e-mail of acceptance in order to proceed with the payment of the registration fee.

Graduate and PhD students, post-docs and young researchers interested in applying for the school should send an e-mail to gnp-@unife.it by **15 October 2019** and provide the following information:

- First Name and Family Name
- Institution
- Title and/or brief description of own research to be presented as a poster (max. 300 words)
- PDF version of a CV (max. 1 page of A4).
- Preferred accommodation (double or triple room) and favoured roommate

Registration fees will be as follows:

- €345 for a triple room
- €445 for a double room

Participants must be SIMP members for 2020. Membership dues are separate from the registration fee and currently stand at €25 for under 35 years junior members and €50 for regular members.

The registration fee includes full board at the Hotel Vis a Vis, from the overnight of Sunday 29 March 2020 to breakfast on Friday 3 April 2020. The dinner on Sunday March 29 is not included.

Deadline for payment of the registration fee will be **31 December 2019**.

Both SIMP membership and school registration fees can be paid on the SIMP website (www.socminpet.it).

Visit the **website http://www.socminpet.it/Merema**/ for more information about the school program, registration and venue.

For any queries or questions, please contact us at **gnp-@unife.it** or at **betta@dipteris.unige.it** (contact person is Elisabetta Rampone).