

Sociedad Española de Mineralogía

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THE 36th MEETING OF THE SPANISH MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY: 4–7 JULY 2017, OVIEDO

The 36th Meeting of the Spanish Mineralogical Society was held in Oviedo (Spain), 4–7 July 2017. The meeting was devoted to recent studies on applied mineralogy, crystallography, geochemistry, and petrology. It brought together more than 100 registered participants from several Spanish universities and research institutes and from other countries (France, Germany, Italy, and USA). Industry professionals also arrended. The meeting was sponsored and supported by many companies and business partners.

The workshop Crystallization Under Extreme Conditions, which was held on the first day, was a great success. It provided a forum by which experts and early career researchers who were interested in a wide range of phenomena associated with mineral growth, dissolution, and replacement processes under extreme ambient scenarios could meet. The invited speakers were Prof. Juan Manuel García-Ruiz (LEC-IACT, Spain), Prof. François Guyot (Université Pierre et Marie Curie, France), Dr. Javier Sánchez-España (IGME, Spain) and Dr. Alejandro Fernández-Martínez (CNRS and Université Grenoble, France).

The scientific sessions took place 5–6 July, with almost 60 oral and poster presentations. These sessions were of high quality and became a platform for discussion and the establishment of new potential research collaborations. The meeting was further enriched by two distinguished keynote lectures: one by Prof. Enrique Merino (Indiana University Bloomington, USA), and the other by Dr. Encarnación Roda (Universidad del País Vasco, Spain). There was also a conference field trip to the Puebla de Lillo talc mine (León, Spain), sponsored by the MINERSA company.

As in previous meetings, two awards were given to the best student presentations. This year, the awards went to Diego González-García (Università degli Studi di Perugia, Italy), for "Diffusion of Major and Trace Elements in Dry and Hydrous Natural Silicate Melts: Insights from Diffusion Couple Experiments", and Júlia Farré-de-Pablo (Universitat de Barcelona, Spain) for "The Exotic Composition of Chromitites from the Loma Caribe Ophiolite, Dominican Republic".



SEM President, student awardees and coordinator of the XXXVI SEM meeting organizing committee.

The organizing committee would like to thank all the participants and sponsors for this fruitful and excellent experience. Further details about the meeting, including the programme and the abstract and seminar volumes, can be found at: http://www.congresomineralogia.es. We are already looking forward to the 37th Meeting of the Mineralogical Society of Spain, which in 2018 will be held in the city of Madrid.

The organizing committee of the XXXVI SEM meeting



Société Française de Minéralogie et de Cristallographie

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SFMC ELECTION RESULTS FOR 2018–2019

SFMC members have elected a new council for 2018–2019 (see http://sfmc-fr.org for details):

BOARD: Bertrand Devouard (president), Michel Grégoire (vice president), Jean-Marc Montel (2nd vice president), Marc Blanchard (secretary), Etienne Balan (assistant secretary), Christian Chopin (treasurer), Armand Masion (vice treasurer), Monique Seyler (bulletin editor)

COUNCILORS: Hélène Bureau, Sylvie Demouchy, Benoît Dubacq, Alexandre Mussi, Benjamin Rondeau (2018–2021); Pierre Barré, Amélie Bordage, Eloïse Gaillou, Michel Jullien, Pierre Lanari (2016–2019).

AUDITORS: Jannick Ingrin, Catherine Mével.

For their dedicated service, the SFMC thanks the outgoing vice-president François Farge, the councilors Damien Daval, Simonpietro Di Pierro, Lydéric France, Marguerite Godard, and the auditor Michel Madon.

THE 140th ANNIVERSARY OF THE SOCIÉTÉ FRANÇAISE DE MINÉRALOGIE ET DE CRISTALLOGRAPHIE

8 June 2018, MINES ParisTech (Paris School of Mines)



The School of Mines (now named MINES ParisTech), located in the historical building of the Hôtel Vendôme, overlooking the Luxembourg Garden in Paris (France). Photo: T. Vaerman / MINES ParisTech.

MINES ParisTech is pleased to announce that it will host the celebrations for the 140th anniversary of the SFMC in the historical building of the Hôtel Vendôme, which overlooks the Luxembourg Garden in Paris. Scientific oral and poster presentations will be at the heart of this day of celebration. The Annual General Assembly of the SFMC will be held the day before (7 June 2018) on the Campus Jussieu.

For further information and registration details, please check the society's web site: http://sfmc-fr.org/?page_id=1348

You are cordially invited to join us on 8 June 2018 for what promises to be a memorable day of science.

The Organizing Committee: Eloïse Gaillou, Bertrand Devouard, Benjamin Rondeau, Armand Masion, Marc Blanchard, Michel Grégoire, and Hélène Bureau.

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