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## 2025 EAG AWARDS

We are delighted to announce the three recipients of the 2025 European Association of Geochemistry awards, recognized by the community for their exceptional achievements in geochemistry. The three medallists will present their award lectures at the Goldschmidt2025 conference in Prague in July.

### H.C. Urey Award to Donald Sparks



The recipient of the 2025 H.C. Urey Award is Donald Sparks (Cornell University, USA). Professor Sparks is a leading scholar in geo- and soil chemistry, having contributed widely and deeply to our understanding of reactions at the solid-water interface. He was a pioneer of chemical kinetic and spectroscopic techniques for illuminating reactions within soils and sediments. He helped lead the use of X-ray absorption spectroscopy for discerning metal binding and, later, the chemical characteristics of soil organic matter. While being a prolific and impactful scholar, Prof. Sparks's advising and mentoring is possibly even more impressive. He is also a prominent leader in the scientific community, playing a vital role in several societies.

### Science Innovation Award to Christine Putnis



The recipient of the 2025 Science Innovation Award is Christine V. Putnis (ETH Zürich, Switzerland). Christine Putnis is a seminal scientist in the field of fluid-rock and fluid-mineral interface geochemistry. Specifically, she has shown that interface-coupled reprecipitation is generally how a solid re-equilibrates in the presence of the chemical evolution of the overlying fluid phase. She is also the leading international expert in mineral growth inhibition via various organic moieties, as well as both mineral dissolution and growth processes via natural and anthropogenic chelators. While Prof. Putnis has built a highly impactful body of research, equally important to her is being exceptionally generous with her time to help others in their research endeavors.

### F.G. Houtermans Award to David Bekaert



The recipient of the 2025 F.G. Houtermans Award is David V. Bekaert (Université de Lorraine, CRPG, CNRS, France). David is recognized for exceptional advances in geochemistry and cosmochemistry. He developed, with colleagues at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, the sub-permil analysis of noble gases in volcanic gases, leading to unprecedented insight into mantle geodynamics. Thanks to noble gas analysis of lunar material, he evidenced contributions of comets to the Earth-Moon system.



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**JOIN THE EAG GOLDSCHMIDT BLOGGING TEAM**

If you'll be attending Goldschmidt2025 in Prague this July and are looking to practice your outreach and communication skills, increase your visibility, or just share your experiences of the conference, the EAG is looking for you.

We are currently seeking volunteers to form a diverse, creative, and enthusiastic team of bloggers, from first-time attendees to regular Goldschmidt-goers, who are willing to share their experiences of the meeting. A series of short blog posts from the team will be published on the EAG Blog ([www.eagblog.org](http://www.eagblog.org)) throughout the week, covering many of the conference highlights, including plenary talks, social events, and workshops, as well as behind-the-scenes interviews and the overall conference experience. Whether you are an experienced blogger or simply looking to try get some experience, we'd love to hear from you! Contact us at the EAG Office at [office@eag.org](mailto:office@eag.org) to find out more!

**GOLDSCHMIDT2025 MENTOR PROGRAM: CALL FOR MENTORS**

Now in its 12<sup>th</sup> year, the Goldschmidt Mentor Program matches around 250–300 novice conference attendees with experienced scientists to provide them with support in navigating the conference, as well as discussing career paths and building their networks. For the program to be successful, **it is crucial that we have enough mentors from across all fields**, and **we call on all experienced delegates planning to attend the conference in person to strongly consider participating in the program.**



For mentors, the program offers the opportunity to connect with enthusiastic young scientists as well as other like-minded mentors, and to develop valuable skills in cross-cultural communication, group facilitation, and networking with the next generation of scientists, while helping the scientific community.

**To find out more, visit the Early Careers page on the Goldschmidt website** ([2025.goldschmidt.info](http://2025.goldschmidt.info)), and sign up to the program as part of the conference registration process (deadline: 21 May 2025).

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**Prague**  
**2025**  
 6-11 JULY



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 REGISTRATION DEADLINE:  
 21 MAY 2025**

*Members of the EAG, Geochemical Society and EAG partner societies benefit from discounted rates.*



**IMPORTANT DEADLINES**

Early Registration & Presenter Registration	<b>21 MAY</b>
Science and Early Career Workshop Bookings	<b>21 MAY</b>
Mentor Program - Sign up	<b>21 MAY</b>
Social Events and Childcare Bookings	<b>9 JUNE</b>

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