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Strict deadlines for providing information to be printed in these special issues are February 1st and August 1st, respectively. We are able to offer sending these special issues – which as usual contain scientific contributions, patents, conference calendar and conference reports, buyers guide, news – to all members of your community at a very reduced rate, or even without extra charge, depending on the current agreement between your society and Applied Rheology.

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www.mate.tue.nl/nrv/index.html
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www.rheology-esr.org/
French Group of Rheology
www.univ-lemans.fr/sciences/wgfr
German Society of Rheology
www.drg.bam.de/
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esperia.iesl.forth.gr/~hsr/HSRwebpage.html
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www.dicamp.univ.trieste.it/sir/
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cmasuko2.yz.yamagata-u.ac.jp/SRJ/SRJ.html
Nordic Rheology Society
www.sik.se/nrs/
Polish Society of Engineering Rheology
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His predecessor, Prof. Dr. M. H. Wagner, Technical University Berlin, who led the DRG successfully with high personal engagement for many years, will consult the society as a member of the advisory committee. Prof. Dr. R. Schnabel, Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg, was re-elected as a member of the board and Prof. Dr. W. Mielke, Federal Institute for Materials Research and Testing (BAM), was re-elected as the secretary of the society. Dr. N. Willenbacher, BASF AG, Ludwigshafen, was elected as a board member for the first time.



■ Young Rheologists Award 2003 of the German Society of Rheology

During the meeting of the German Society of Rheology (DRG) on May 5 and 6, 2003, at Berlin, Germany, the biannual Young Rheologists Award (Rheologie-Preis der DRG) was presented to the winners. This year, the independent Jury found two outstanding theses in the field of rheology, which were awarded each with an amount of € 1500.

- Dr. Heike Bastian, formerly University of Stuttgart, was awarded for her thesis "Non-linear viscoelasticity of linear and long-chain-branched polymer melts in shear and extensional flows". Unfortunately, due to illness, Dr. Bastian was not able to receive the award during the meeting, so her supervisor, Professor Dr. M.H. Wagner, presented the award to her in Stuttgart some days later.
- Dr. Patrick Ilg, formerly at ETH Zurich, now at TU Berlin, was awarded for his thesis "Reduced Description of Kinetic Models of Polymer Dynamics" (Supervisor: Prof. Dr. H.C. Öttinger, ETH Zurich). In the session on Tuesday morning, Dr. Ilg presented his work to the participants of the meeting.

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■ Upcoming activities: 38th Meeting of the French Group of Rheology, Brest (France), October 15-17, 2003

The next GFR annual conference (38th annual GFR meeting) will be held in Brest 15-17 October 2003. The topic is "Rheology and physical-chemistry of formulated materials". The aim of the conference is to show the complementarity between the rheological approach and the physical and chemical characterizations in designing formulated materials. The objective is obviously to encourage and to develop exchanges and collaborations between academic scientists and centres of industrial studies (polymers, chemistry, biomedical, food science, paintings, chemical engineering, ...) about these problems. Indeed, the topics chosen for this meeting are of interest for the rheologist who wants to better understand the links between the physical and chemical interactions and the macroscopic behaviours but also for those who are in charge of formulating a compound in order to obtain a given property. We want this meeting to foster exchanges between academic and industrial communities around the following types of materials:

- Polymer solutions and gels
- Emulsions and foams
- Paste and suspensions
- Polymer blends, filled polymers and nanocomposites
- Filled elastomers

Systems can be considered from various angles: theory (physical as well as numerical), experiments (including additional techniques to rheometry, ...)

More information can be found on the conference website at the following address: <http://www.univ-brest.fr/gfr2003/> and additional inquiries can be obtained through gfr2003@univ-brest.fr