



## ANNOUNCEMENTS OF NATIONAL RHEOLOGICAL SOCIETIES

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The international bimonthly journal Applied Rheology offers all European rheological societies an extended platform for communication with their members and other rheologists.

Two special issues of Applied Rheology each year provide a number of pages dedicated to announcements from rheological societies. These may be a meeting announcement for the members of your society, an activity supported by your society, address changes, etc. In addition there will be also some space reserved for individual announcements. The motivation behind this offer is to collect the announcements that are usually transmitted to us by individual members of the national societies or conference organizers and then printed throughout the year in Applied Rheology.

Strict deadlines for providing information to be printed in these special issues are February 1<sup>st</sup> and August 1<sup>st</sup>, 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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## RHEOLOGICAL SOCIETIES / GROUPS

- **Austrian Group of Rheology**
- **Belgian Group of Rheology**  
*[www.cit.kuleuven.ac.be/cit/ltrk/bgr.html](http://www.cit.kuleuven.ac.be/cit/ltrk/bgr.html)*
- **British Society of Rheology**  
*[www.innfm.swan.ac.uk/bsr](http://www.innfm.swan.ac.uk/bsr)*
- **Bulgarian Society of Rheology**
- **Chinese Society of Rheology**  
*[www.rheology.org.cn/](http://www.rheology.org.cn/)*
- **Czech Group of Rheology**
- **Dutch Rheological Society**  
*[www.mate.tue.nl/nrv](http://www.mate.tue.nl/nrv)*
- **European Society of Rheology**  
*[www.rheology-esr.org/](http://www.rheology-esr.org/)*
- **French Group of Rheology**  
*<http://www.legfr.fr/>*
- **German Society of Rheology**  
*[www.drj.bam.de/](http://www.drj.bam.de/)*
- **Hellenic Society of Rheology**  
*<http://esperia.iesl.forth.gr/~hsr/HSR.html>*
- **Israel Society of Rheology**
- **Italian Society of Rheology**  
*[www.sir-reologia.com/](http://www.sir-reologia.com/)*
- **Japanese Society of Rheology**  
*[cmasuko2.yz.yamagata-u.ac.jp/SRJ/SRJ.html](http://cmasuko2.yz.yamagata-u.ac.jp/SRJ/SRJ.html)*
- **Nordic Rheology Society**  
*[www.nordicrheologysociety.org](http://www.nordicrheologysociety.org)*
- **Polish Society of Engineering Rheology**
- **Portuguese Society of Rheology**
- **Romanian Society of Rheology**  
*[www.reologie.ro](http://www.reologie.ro)*
- **Slovene Society of Rheology**
- **Society of Rheology (USA)**  
*[www.rheology.org](http://www.rheology.org)*
- **South African Society of Rheology**  
*[www.sasor.co.za](http://www.sasor.co.za)*
- **Spanish Group of Rheology**  
*[reologia.us.es/index.html](http://reologia.us.es/index.html)*
- **Swiss Group of Rheology**  
*[www.AR.ethz.ch/FR/](http://www.AR.ethz.ch/FR/)*
- **Vinogradov Society of Rheology**  
*[www.ips.ac.ru/rheo](http://www.ips.ac.ru/rheo)*

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## GROUP FRANCIAS DE RHEOLOGIE (GFR)

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## EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF RHEOLOGY (ESR)

Several prizes were awarded during the AERC 2015. Professor Dimitris Vlassopoulos (FORTH and University of Crete) received the 2015 Weissenberg from Professor Mats Stading, President of the European Society of Rheology. Professor Lydéric Bocquet (Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris) was awarded the 2015 Maurice Couette Award by Professor Lazhar Benyahia, President of the Groupe Français de Rhéologie, in cooperation with the Malvern company. The editors of *Rheologica Acta*, Professors Jan Vermant and Henning Winter, were proud to present the first Publication Award of *Rheologica Acta* to Damien Vadillo, Wouter Mathues, and Christian Clasen (KU Leuven). Three young researchers, Giovanniantonio Natale (Ecole Polytechnique de Montréal), Gabriel Samson (INSA Rennes), and Chloé Trarieux (RheaWave, Tours) also received a Poster Prize from Dr Graeme Watt, executive director at IOPublishing.

As for the previous AERC editions, a short course session was organized at the attention of a broad audience interested in the rheology and processing of advanced polymeric materials and composites. Three complementary lectures were given by Professors Francisco Chinesta and Christophe Binetruy (Ecole Centrale de Nantes), and Roland Keunings (Université Catholique de Louvain). The content of their courses is available in the book "Flows in Polymers, Reinforced Polymers and Composites" edited by "Springer Series in Applied Sciences and Technology".

Finally we hope that the participants took the chance to stroll through the streets of the medieval district near the Castle of the Dukes of Brittany, discover the prestigious maritime history of Nantes, or maybe explore one of the last wild rivers in Europe.



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## VÍCTOR HUGO ROLÓN GARRIDO

(1979 – 2015)



**Víctor Hugo Rolón Garrido** was born at Cerro Azul, Veracruz, México in 1979. After his bachelor at Instituto Politécnico Nacional in México, Víctor joined the Polymer Science Master Course at Berlin (a joint M.Sc. program of FU, HU, TU Berlin and U Potsdam) in 2002. He then continued his studies at the Polymer Physics/ Polymer Engineering Group of TU Berlin, where he received a PhD with honours for his thesis on “Molecular Structure and Constitutive Modelling of Polymer Melts” in 2007. After a one year stay at Instituto Politécnico Nacional in México he returned to TU Berlin, where he successfully completed his Habilitation for the field of “Polymer Materials and Rheology” in February 2015.

His decision to follow a scientific career was made early. He studied mathematics and physics and was immediately infected by the idea of describing experimental data with physically based models. He finished his bachelor, not without publishing his thesis, and focused his studies of rheology in Germany. Despite his young age, he was nationally and internationally recognized for his research on constitutive equations of polymer melts, long-chain branched PET, and degradation of polyolefins. He has maintained throughout his career an ethical idea of science. His work was highly reliable and he transferred his knowledge by many high-level papers with honest passion. He was an ingenious and successful scientist and a dedicated university lecturer, highly esteemed by colleagues, coworkers and students.

Dr. habil. Víctor Hugo Rolón Garrido has passed away in June 2015 following a tragic traffic accident. He is survived by his wife and his daughter a few weeks old. He will always be remembered by those who had a chance to know him as an extremely kind, helpful and good humoured human being.

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