



# NEWSLETTER

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## Editorial

COVID-19 casts its ugly shadows also on EUCHIS. We were looking forward with great expectations to our next meeting, 14<sup>th</sup> EUCHIS 2020, to be convened this September in Kazan, preparations were well underway, a lot of hard work already spent by the organizers. We were still optimistic that the global travel restrictions would be over in time and planning of a journey to Russia would be possible. However, this is not the case, most borders are still closed and Russian tourist visa application is suspended for an undetermined time. In view of the uncertainty, the conference had to be postponed to a yet undefined date. This is even more tragic as EUCHIS 2019 had to be canceled and this is now the third year without an EUCHIS meeting. We will inform all EUCHIS members by e-mail as well as on our website about further developments as soon as we have new information.

The contents of this Newsletter are organized in the usual way, presenting the development of EUCHIS membership figures in 2019, and of the financial situation. The project of uploading Volumes of "*Advances in Chitin Science*" to the EUCHIS website made good progress, thanks to the cooperation of many of the copyright owners. As no nominations for the Braconnot Prize have been submitted so far, the call is renewed and remains open until further notice, to be awarded during the next conference, whenever it may happen. Last not least, the 12-months bibliography of EUCHIS members shows again an impressive output of 152 titles, i.e. reviews, research papers, and patents: – congratulations !

Enjoy reading !

Münster and Bonn, May 22, 2020

Bruno M. Moerschbacher, President  
Martin G. Peter, Secretary

## Development of Membership Figures

(January 2019 – March 2020)

EUCHIS counts presently 73 members, 5 more than in December 2018. Three memberships were terminated because of failure of payment for three years and response to reminders, and one person changed from "active" to "donor".

	donor	collective	active	associate	student	Sum
<b>2018-12-31</b>	6	7	41	3	11	68
+ / -	+1	-1	+2	+4	-1	+5
<b>2020-03-31</b>	7	6	43	7	10	73

## Financial Report 2018

<b>Balance per 01.01.2018</b>		7.555,12 €	
<b>Income</b>			
	Members Subscriptions	2.000,50 €	
<b>Total Positiva</b>			<b>9.555,62 €</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
	Internet Expenses	-567,00 €	
	Tax Attorney	-499,80 €	
	Bank Charges	-159,83 €	
<b>Total Expenses</b>			<b>-1.226,63 €</b>
<b>Balance per 31.12.2018</b>			<b>8.328,99 €</b>

## Financial Report 2019

<b>Balance per 01.10.2019</b>		8.328,99	
<b>Income</b>			
	Members Subscriptions	2.468,00	
	Donations	1.000,00	
<b>Total Positiva</b>			<b>11.796,99</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
	Internet Expenses	-567,00	
	Bank Charges	-137,29	
<b>Total Expenses</b>			<b>-704,29</b>
<b>Balance per 31.12.2019</b>			<b>11.092,70</b>

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# Braconnot Prize

*The call for nominations remains open . Applications and the required documents can be submitted any time until three months before the next EUCHIS conference.*

The Braconnot Prize consists of a certificate with the name of the recipient, a prize money in the amount of 1000 Euro, and an invitation to present the Work of excellence in a plenary lecture, the "Braconnot Lecture".

**For the rules, see <http://euchis.org>. Some essentials are:**

- **In considering the exceptional situation, the rule concerning age limit of the awardee is changed.** The recipient of the Braconnot award must be no more than 36 years old during the year 2020.
- Every member of EUCHIS has the right to suggest an awardee to the President of the committee at any time. This suggestion must be accompanied in written form by a C.V. of the candidate, a list of publications, if any, abstracts of a thesis and/or publications, and a letter with arguments why the suggested candidate should be eligible for the Braconnot Prize. Candidates may not suggest themselves.
- The nominated person must be a member of the EUCHIS.

Deadline for nominations and submission of documents is February 28, 2020. They must be submitted to the President ([moersch@uni-muenster.de](mailto:moersch@uni-muenster.de)) **AND** to the Secretary ([martin.peter@uni-potsdam.de](mailto:martin.peter@uni-potsdam.de)). Abstract(s) of a PhD thesis and/or publications will be reprinted in the Newsletter scheduled for publication before the next EUCHIS conference.

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## Events

- The 13<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Chitin and Chitosan Symposium (APPS), Jeju, Korea, June 21 to 24, 2020, is postponed. The new date is December 6 to 9, 2020. For updates, see [www.apccs2020.org](http://www.apccs2020.org).
- The XXVI Conference "New Aspects in Chemistry and the Use of Chitin and its Derivatives", Poznan, Poland, is postponed to September 2021. Further information related to the organization of the XXVI Conference will be provided at the beginning of 2021. For updates, see <http://www.ptchit.lodz.pl/en6/conferences.html>.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop on "Chitin Biology and Beyond", Dalian, China, Sept. 9-11, 2021. Chair: Prof. Qing Yang and Prof. Tamo Fukamizo; <https://chitinworkshop.wixsite.com/biology>.