#### **NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## NEXT ISSUE OF CERP (MAY 2004): A THEME ISSUE ON CHEMISTRY AND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Next issue of CERP, which will be published in May 2004, is going to be a theme issue on *Chemistry and Environmental Education*. The issue will include both invited and independently submitted peer-reviewed contributions of two kinds: research-based and practice-oriented papers. Guest co-editors for the theme issue are: (a) Uri ZOLLER, Professor of Chemistry and Science Education at the University of Haifa Oranim, Faculty of Science and Science Education-Chemistry; (b) Michael SKOULLOS, Professor of Environmental Chemistry, University of Athens, Department of Chemistry.

#### FORTHCOMING PAPER

An English version of the paper by A. Laugier and A. Dumon which appears in this issue in French (L'équation de réaction : Un nœud d'obstacles difficilement franchissable / The chemical equation: A cluster of problems which are difficult to overcome) is currently in preparation, and expected to be published in a forthcoming issue of CERP (possibly October 2004).

# New journal: INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS EDUCATION

The objective of this new journal (available both in print and electronic forms) is to publish original, fully peer-reviewed articles in a variety of topics and research methods in both science and mathematics education. The journal welcomes articles that:

- address common issues in mathematics and science education and cross-cultural dimensions;
- emphasise context-oriented and not limited to one domain studies (interdisciplinary and integrated curricula);
- promote the use of new technology;
- explore science and mathematics education from different cultural perspectives.

Publisher is *Kluwer Academic Publishers*, while the journal is sponsored by the *National Science Council* of Taiwan. Editor-in-chief is *Fou-Lai Lin* (National Taiwan Normal University, Taipei). The journal has an international editorial board of both science and mathematics educators. The electronic version of the first issue (Volume 1, No. 1, 2003) is available free on the Internet. For more information see: www.kluweronline.nl

## 7<sup>th</sup> ECRICE / 3<sup>rd</sup> ECCE

The  $7^{th}$  ECRICE, European Conference on Research in Chemical Education and the  $3^{rd}$  ECCE, European Conference in Chemical Education will be held in Ljubljana, Slovenia from 24 to 28 August 2004.

Until the end of January, about 90 applications, and about 40 proposals for contributions (posters and oral presentations) were received. In addition, the following (in alphabetical order) have accepted to be plenary or key-note speakers: H.D. Barke, D.M. Bunce, J.K. Gilbert, S. Glazar, J. Holman, M.K. Lakeshman, V. Obendrauf, Y. Orlik, A. Rotar, H.-J. Schmidt, B. Selinger, E.W. Thulstrup, M.Tisler, U. Zoller, M. Vrtaènik.

The deadline for contributions was extended to 15 February 2004. More information and application form are available on the Internet at the following URL: http://javor.pef.unilj.si/~ecrice/

#### 18 IUPAC International Conference on Chemical Education

The *Turkish Chemical Society* organizes the 18 ICCE (*International Conference on Chemical Education*) in Istanbul at the Hilton Hotel, Turkey, from 3 to 8 August 2004. The theme of the conference is "*Chemistry education for the modern world*". Language is English.

#### Main topics of the conference:

- Accreditation of chemistry and chemical engineering education
- Chemistry education for development
- Chemistry and society
- Chemistry teacher education
- Continuing education
- Green chemistry and environment-friendly chemistry experiments
- international chemistry Olympiad
- micro scale chemistry

- Modern technologies for chemistry education
- Polymer education
- Public understanding of chemistry
- Science education at elementary level
- Teaching and learning chemistry in secondary schools
- Theoretical and methodological basis of research in chemistry education

#### **Deadlines**

Acceptance of abstracts: 31 March 2004

Early registration: 15 May 2004

The conference will include plenary lectures, keynote speakers, workshops, oral communications, and poster presentation.

Plenary Lecturers: Peter Atkins, John Bradley, R. Bob Bucat, Mei-Hung Chiu, Jack Holbrook, J.Joe Lagowski, Peter Mahaffy, Mansoor Niaz, Ekmelettin Ihsanoglu.

Keynote Lecturers: Warren Beasley, Avi Hofstein, Onno de Jong, Jorge G. Ibanez, Jung-II Jin, Zafra M. Lerman, Natalia Tarasova.

The second circular is available on the Web. More information and application form are available on the Internet at the following URLs:

http://www.18icce.org/ or http://www.turchemsoc.org/icce/web

### XI IOSTE Symposium

The XI IOSTE Symposium, with the theme "Science and Technology Education for a Diverse World – Dilemmas, Needs and Partnerships" will take place from 25-30 July 2004 in the M. Sklodowska-Curie University, Lublin, Poland. For more information see the web site: http://iostell.umcs.lublin.pl

## 9<sup>TH</sup> FECS CONFERENCE ON *CHEMISTRY AND THE ENVIRONMENT*

The 9th DCE/FECS Conference on *Chemistry and the Environment* (DCE9) "Behaviour of Chemicals in the Environment" will be held in Bordeaux, 29 August - 1 September 2004, in association with the 2nd SFC Meeting on Environmental Chemistry. The Conference is organized by the *Division Chemistry and the Environment* (DCE) of FECS. A specific session will be dedicated to *Education in Environmental Chemistry*.

The programme will include the following sessions:

- Sampling and Analytical Strategies
- Bioaccumulation and Trophic Transfers
- Biotic and Abiotic Transformations
- Pollution, Prevention and Remediation/Green Chemistry
- Environmental Monitoring and Modelling
- Education in Environmental Chemistry.

Plenary lectures in analysis, biogeochemical cycles, and modeling of chemicals into the environment will also be presented.

Deadline for submissions of abstracts : 15 April 2004. Contact: P. Garrigues, fax : 33 5 40 00 22 67; e-mail: dce9@lptc.u-bordeaux1.fr

For more information see: http://www.lptc.u-bordeaux.fr/DCE9