

and Executive/Science Board members; reauthorization of commissions and committees (education, younger chemists, ethics, diversity).

- Finance & Administration: Approval of audited accounts and provisional budgets; negotiations for a European-based Secretariat.
- Events: Beijing selected as the host city for the 2031 Congress.

For the complete record of motions and detailed outcomes, please visit the official IUPAC page: <https://iupac.org/actions-taken-by-iupac-council-kuala-lumpur-malaysia-july-2025/>

Recognising Excellence: CCE 2026 Awards—Call for Nominations

The IUPAC Committee on Chemistry Education (CCE) is soliciting nominations for three types of awards, which will be made during the 28th International Conference on Chemistry Education (ICCE 2026). ICCE 2026 will be held jointly with the 17th ECRICE conference in Erzurum, Türkiye, on 13–17 July 2026. These prizes recognise outstanding work being done in any part of the world to promote excellence in the teaching and learning of chemistry. The awards are:

- Distinguished Contribution to Chemistry Education (DCCE) Award, which recognises outstanding service to chemistry education and practice and/or professional service to chemistry education over a lifetime.
- Outstanding Early Career Researcher in Chemistry Education Award, which recognises early career researchers who are producing high-quality and impactful chemical education research as evidenced by their research output.
- Special Recognition Award for Excellent Service to the Committee on Chemistry Education, which acknowledges individuals who have given excellent service to the CCE, *i.e.* to further CCE priorities and IUPAC strategic objectives related to chemistry education.

For detailed announcement, description and procedures are available online. Nominations are open till 15 October 2025

<https://iupac.org/recognising-excellence-cce-2026-awards-announcement/>

2026 IUPAC-Richter Prize—Call for Nominations

IUPAC and Gedeon Richter, Plc. announce that the 2026 IUPAC-Richter Prize in Medicinal Chemistry will be presented during the *39th ACS National Medicinal Chemistry Symposium* (31 May – 3 June 2026) in Atlanta, GA, United States and the recipient will also give a lecture on the subject of their research at the *XXIXth EFMC International Symposium on Medicinal Chemistry* (6–10 September 2026) in Basel, Switzerland.

The prize is to be awarded to an internationally recognized scientist, preferably a medicinal chemist, whose activities or published accounts have made an outstanding contribution to the practice of medicinal chemistry or to an outstanding example of new drug discovery.

The Prize, which includes a gift of USD 10000, has been established by a generous gift from the Chemical Works of Gedeon Richter, Plc. (Budapest, Hungary) to acknowledge the key role that medicinal chemistry plays toward improving human health.

Nominations are open till 15 December 2025.

For details, nomination procedure and contacts, visit <https://iupac.org/2026-iupac-richter-prize-call-for-nominations/>

2026 IUPAC–Soong Prize for Sustainable Chemistry—Call for Nominations

The IUPAC–Soong Prize for Sustainable Chemistry is to be awarded annually to a scientist whose breakthrough discovery or conceptual advance has made a transformative impact on sustainable chemistry. This prestigious international prize celebrates innovation and bold thinking, recognizing discoveries rather than lifetime achievement.

Deadline for nominations: 15 November 2025

Prize Details

The laureate will receive:

- A certificate and medal
- A monetary award of USD 30 000
- Travel support to attend the prize ceremony