



European Society of Rheology Committee meeting

Telematic committee convened and run by e.mail
20-23 October 2021

An extraordinary meeting of the European Society of Rheology committee was convened by e.mail with the following sole point in the agenda:

1) Approval of the Weissenberg Award rules

The extraordinary meeting has been necessary because the call for nomination for the Weissenberg award must start in October, according to ESR rules, and the new rules need to be approved before starting the procedure.

The rules were proposed by the Weissenberg award committee, chaired by Philippe Coussot, to respond to a request of the Executive Committee and in compliance to agreed general guidelines. The rules were discussed with the President of the European Society of Rheology, Mario Minale, prior to being approved by the Executive Committee of the European Society of Rheology during the extraordinary telematic meeting of October 15th – 17th, 2021.

The vote to approve/not approve the proposed rules is casted by e.mailing the preference: Approved, Not Approved, Abstained, to the president of ESR. A silence was considered as an approval.

The rules have been approved unanimously.

In the following the approved rules are reported

Naples, 25 October 2021

Weissenberg Award RULES

The Weissenberg Award is bestowed by the ESR every year to a prominent rheologist, regardless of her or his geographical location.

The Weissenberg Committee is composed of the three last Weissenberg awardees and chaired by the oldest (in award time) awardee.

The call for nominations is sent out not later than October of the year before the award.

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Nominators must be members of the ESR, they cannot nominate more than one nominee per year and in the same year cannot write support letters for other nominees. A letter writer is not allowed to support more than one nominee per year. Members of the Executive committee of the ESR are not eligible to nominate, write support letters or to be nominated.

Nominations are received by the chair, with as deadline the end of December before the award year and shared with the committee members.

The committee may reconsider unsuccessful nominations from the previous year, after which nomination packages need to be resubmitted.

The Weissenberg award committee conveys its recommendation to the President of the ESR who shall transmit the recommendation to the *Executive Committee* for approval. The President of ESR in turn will inform the awardee.

The award ceremony takes place during each AERC or at the ICR.

The ceremony is organized by the ESR president in collaboration with the local AERC or ICR organizers. Committee members are not involved in this ceremony. It is preferable that the nominator introduces the awardee. The awardee is expected to give a plenary lecture during the AERC or ICR. The ESR president coordinates the organization of the ceremony.

The secretary

The president