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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Starting in 2014, the European Union framework programme for research and innovation (Horizon 2020) will address raw materials as a main societal challenge, on the same level as climate and the environment. Minerals and materials of natural or artificial origin are thus in the core of the scientific and technical issues raised by the global management of raw-materials resources. The issues include extracting, recycling and substitution processes, the whole chain of environmental impacts, and

the necessity to reinforce the relevant research, education, training centres and networks. Mineralogical societies, and the Société française de Minéralogie et de Cristallographie in particular, need to participate in this "renaissance" of the world's interest in minerals by maintaining bridges between academic research and stakeholders of government and industry.

It is a true pleasure and great honour for me to serve the SFMC as president for the second time, during the term 2014–2015. With our two vice presidents and Council, I wish to lead the SFMC in its involvement in this renaissance challenge by reinforcing our representation in stakeholder forums and committees. In addition, we will maintain our traditional activities as an organizer and sponsor of workshops. We will pursue our support of the involvement of students in mineralogy by funding congress participation for some of them and by recognizing the best PhD theses through the Haüy-Lacroix award.

Bruno Goffé, SFMC President

SFMC ELECTION RESULTS FOR 2014–2015

SFMC members have elected a new Council for 2014–2015 (see <http://sfmc-fr.org> for details).

BOARD: Bruno Goffé (president), Bertrand Devouard (vice president), Christian Chopin (2nd vice president), Marc Blanchard (secretary), Guy Libourel (assistant secretary), Stéphanie Rossano (treasurer), Amélie Bordage (vice treasurer), Anne-Marie Boullier (bulletin editor)

COUNCILORS (2014–2017): Damien Daval, Simonpietro Di Piero, Lydéric France, Marguerite Godard, Armand Masion

COUNCILORS (2012–2015): Anne-Line Auzende, Etienne Balan, Sylvain Bernard, Mathieu Roskosz, Brigitte Zanda

AUDITORS: Jannick Ingrin, Michel Madon

The Society thanks outgoing councilors Muriel Andréani, Delphine Charpentier, Valérie Chavagnac, Alain Cheilletz, Stéphanie Duchêne and Denis Testemale for four years of dedicated service.

TRAINING DAYS: "MÉTHODES D'ANALYSE DES MINÉRAUX ET DES MATÉRIAUX"

The Society is organizing two training days, which will be held in Paris, France (Université Pierre et Marie Curie), on November 20 and 21, 2014. These days will be devoted to a review of a wide range of technical tools, and will be held in the spirit of the previous sessions in 2000, 2002, 2004 and 2010. This meeting is intended for a wide audience, including PhD students, engineers and researchers. Each invited speaker will present one or two analytical methods suitable for the study of minerals and/or fluids. The applications will be related to open questions in the Earth and planetary sciences, and will show how parameters determined at the molecular or nanometre scale can provide important constraints on our understanding of global processes.

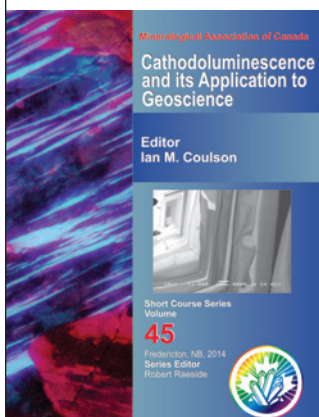
Organizing committee: Anne-Line Auzende, Étienne Balan and Marc Blanchard (contact: methodesdanalyse@sfmc-fr.org). Early registration will open on September 8.

Further information is available at <http://sfmc-fr.org>.

24^e RÉUNION DES SCIENCES DE LA TERRE

SFMC members will be conveners of five sessions during the 24^e Réunion des Sciences de la Terre, organized by the Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour, France, and the Société Géologique de France and held on October 27 to 31, 2014. Registration started on March 15, 2014. The meeting website is <http://rst2014-pau.sciencesconf.org>.

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