

The Federation of European Materials Societies

Networking for European Materials Scientists and Engineers

What is FEMS?

In June 1986, the *Institute of Metals* in London (IOM), the *German Society for Metals* (DGM) and the *French Society for Metallurgy* (SFM) agreed the need for European metals and materials societies to act more in concert and behave in a generally more "European" manner.

Following a few meetings, a memorandum of understanding to form the Federation of European Materials Societies was signed in January 1987.

The first FEMS General Assembly took place in Paris on 11 December 1987, with IOM, SFM and DGM as the three founder members. In the years that followed, membership of FEMS increased steadily, and by 1993 there were fourteen full members in thirteen different countries.

Today FEMS is a not-for-profit association of 27 European materials societies and associations representing in excess of 25,000 materials professionals, covering science and engineering in various fields including metals, polymers, ceramics, composites, glasses, nano, natural and biomaterials.

The aims of the association are to:

- Promote the wide dissemination of scientific, technical and other knowledge relating to materials notably through its conference series (EUROMAT & Junior EUROMAT).
- Facilitate the communication and exchange of information between its members.
- Coordinate the activities of member societies in order to make optimum use of resources.
- Ensure optimum visibility of materials science and engineering in governmental and non-governmental organisations, in the economy and in the academic environment.
- Contribute to developing links and collaboration between RTOs and industry

FEMS is an active member in several European projects & networking activities devoted to the promotion of actions in the field of Materials Science and Engineering, such as CSA Projects under FP7 and HORIZON2020 like MATVAL and MATCH, EUREKA Projects like Metallurgy Europe, and Networks like Alliance for Materials A4M, EUMAT, and EMIRI and Education programmes like the ERASMUS MUNDUS Programme.

Individual members of FEMS' member societies as shown on the map are entitled to a range of benefits which are listed on the following page.

Further information on FEMS, medals, events and activities can be found on the association's website.





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As a MEMBER of your National Society (and if they are a member of FEMS), you will receive the following benefits:

- As a member you would be entitled to the member registration fee (of the national society) at 'FEMS endorsed events' which can include conferences and workshops (where you see the FEMS logo on event promotional materials and also advertised via the FEMS website)
- Reduced rates (15% or member rate offered by the organising society) to EUROMAT
- Reduced rates (15% or member rate offered by the organising society) to Junior EUROMAT
- Preferential rates to Taylor & Francis publications and books and CRC publications (25% discount using special code available from your National Society)
- Membership and access to a vast European network of over 20,000 materials professionals
- Receive copies of the FEMS newsletter

- You can be nominated for FEMS awards by your National Society (subject to meeting the relevant criteria)
- Opportunifies to network with materials professionals at FEMS events
- Access to FEMS conference proceedings via secure area of FEMS website and other Knowledge Exchange Materials
- FEMS has developed valuable links to the European Commission and to important European Technology Platforms being a member of the Alliance for Materials (A4M). As a member of your National Society you will shape the future of materials R&D and by this actively contribute to the societal challenges in Europe.

If you are unsure whether your national society is a member of FEMS please check our website for further information.



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