NOMINATION

As a member of the Expert Committee, it is my pleasure to inform you about the decision of the MRS-Serbia Executive Board.

The Executive Board of the MRS-Serbia Presidency, at their online meeting on **March 6, 2025**, reviewed the submitted nomination for the **MRS-Serbia 2025 Award for Lasting and Outstanding Contribution to Materials Science and Engineering.**

Proposal: Hamish Fraser.

It is concluded that the procedure was conducted in accordance with the Awarding Rulebook, that the Call was announced on the MRS-Serbia's website on December 31st, 2024, and that in the stipulated period of 45 days one candidate was nominated:

Prof. Dr. Hamish Fraser has been a loyal partner of MRS-Serbia for many years. He has been a member of the International Advisory Board of MRS-Serbia since 2015 and has delivered plenary talks at 8 YUCOMAT and WRTCS conferences. He has also played a key role in helping to attract certain sponsors to the YUCOMAT conferences over a prolonged period. His contributions to the success and growth of the MRS-Serbia network and YUCOMAT conferences have been invaluable.

His research interests are focused on advanced materials characterization and the development of new materials. He has published over 400 papers in these fields. Dr. Fraser is recognized for his expertise in the development and analysis of materials, which has contributed to significant advancements in the study of materials science.

Prof. Dr. Fraser is an internationally recognized scientist in the fields of Materials Science, Metallurgy, and Nanotechnology, and his extensive research has had a significant impact on advancing these fields. Including his name on the list of Laureates would certainly contribute to the affirmation of the MRS-Serbia award.

The Executive Board of the MRS-Serbia Presidency will take a decision about the Award after receiving opinions from the thirteen-member 2024 Expert Committee: Prof. Dr. Dragan Uskoković (President of MRS- Serbia), Prof. Yury Gogotsi (Chair of YUCOMAT Conferences International Advisory Board and as 2021 Laureate), Prof. Robert Sinclair (Honorary Chair of YUCOMAT Conferences International Advisory Board and as 2020 Laureate), Prof. Dejan Raković (Vice-President of MRS-Serbia), Dr. Slobodan Milonjić (President of the Council and Member of the Presidency of MRS-Serbia), Prof. Dr. Ivan Bozovic as 2015 Laureate, Prof. Dr. Gordana Vunjak- Novaković as 2016 Laureate, Prof. Dr. Velimir Radmilović as 2017 Laureate, Prof. Dr. László Forró as 2018 Laureate, Prof. Danilo Suvorov as 2019 Laureate, Prof. Dr. Richard W. Siegel as 2022 Laureate, Prof. Knut Urban as a 2023 Laureate and Prof. Vladimir Torchilin as a 2024 Laureate, hopefully in 10 days from today.

Please be so kind and send us your opinion concerning nominated candidate for the MRS-Serbia Award.

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