

## Ernst Haage Prize for Martin H. G. Prechtl

Martin H. G. Prechtl (University of Cologne) has been awarded the Ernst Haage Prize for Chemical Energy Conversion 2014 by the Ernst Haage Foundation at the Max Planck Institute for Chemical Energy Conversion. The prize is given to scientists under the age of 40 who are working at institutions in Germany and do not have a permanent academic position. Prechtl studied at the University of Wuppertal and the University of São Paulo. He carried out his PhD (awarded in 2007) at the Max Planck Institute for Coal Research, Mülheim an der Ruhr, and the RWTH Aachen under the supervision of Walter Leitner, and cosupervised by David Milstein (Weizmann Institute of Science). He was a research fellow with Jairton Dupont at the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre (2007–2010), and with Thomas Braun and Erhard Kemnitz at the Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, and was made independent group leader at the University of Cologne in 2010. Prechtl's main research interests are in organometallic and nanoscale catalysis toward sustainable chemistry, with a focus on hydrogen storage, that is, on catalysts for hydrogenation and dehydrogenation reactions. He has reported in the *European Journal of Inorganic Chemistry* on molecular palladium precursors for nanoparticle preparation,<sup>[1a]</sup> and in *Chemistry—A European Journal* on ionic liquids in hydrogen storage.<sup>[1b]</sup> Prechtl is currently Editor of a book on catalysis in ionic liquids that will be published by Wiley-VCH.

## José Vasconcelos World Award of Education for Federico Rosei

Federico Rosei (Institut national de la recherche scientifique (INRS), Université de Québec) is the winner of the 2014 José Vasconcelos World Award of Education, which is awarded biennially by the Consejo Cultural Mundial (World Cultural Council). Rosei studied at the Università degli Studi di Roma "La Sapienza", where he worked with Nunzio Motta and Adalberto Balzarotti (Università degli Studi di Roma Tor Vergata) for his PhD (awarded in 2001). From 2000–2002, he was a postdoctoral fellow with Flemming Besenbacher at the University of Aarhus, and in 2002, he joined the INRS at the Université de Québec, where he has held the Canada Research Chair in Nanostructured Organic and Inorganic Materials since 2003, and was made UNESCO Chair on Materials and

Technologies for Energy Conversion in 2014. Rosei's research program is focused on the properties of nanostructured materials, including control of size, shape, composition, stability, and positioning when grown on suitable substrates. He is co-author of a report in *Angewandte Chemie* on organic semiconductors,<sup>[2a]</sup> and he has reported in *Chemistry—An Asian Journal* on self-assembly on copper surfaces.<sup>[2b]</sup>

## Thorfinnur Gunnlaugsson Receives Institute of Chemistry of Ireland Annual Award for Chemistry

Thorfinnur Gunnlaugsson (University of Dublin, Trinity College) has been awarded the 2014 Annual Award for Chemistry by the Institute of Chemistry of Ireland. Gunnlaugsson studied at the University of Iceland, and worked with A. P. de Silva at Queen's University Belfast for his PhD (awarded in 1996). From 1996–1998, he was a postdoctoral fellow with David Parker at the University of Durham, and in 1998, he moved to University of Dublin, Trinity College, where he is currently Professor of Chemistry. He was elected to the Royal Irish Academy in 2011. Gunnlaugsson's research involves organic and inorganic supramolecular chemistry and also medicinal chemistry. He has reported in *Angewandte Chemie* on lanthanide-functionalized gold nanoparticles,<sup>[3a]</sup> and in *Chemistry—A European Journal* on chiral luminescent supramolecular structures.<sup>[3b]</sup>

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## Awarded ...



M. H. G. Prechtl



F. Rosei



T. Gunnlaugsson