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## **MISCA Gold Medal Prize of the AIC (Italy) and GE3C (Spain) Associations**

The Meetings of the Italian and Spanish Crystallographic Associations (MISCA) successfully started in the year 2007 in Calabria, Italy, with the purpose of reinforcing the bases of the collaborations between the two scientific societies. The second event was held in 2010 in Oviedo, Spain, and the third one was organized, also jointly with the Swiss Crystallographic Society, in Como, Italy, in 2013. It is a common intention to call these Meetings every three years, thus starting a sound tradition. For this reason, it has been proposed to strike the MISCA Gold Medal, to be awarded at each joint congress, starting from the 2010 Meeting.

The target recipient of the MISCA Gold Medal should be an outstanding scientist, who has not only obtained important scientific results using crystallography in any discipline, but also strongly contributed to the international diffusion of the crystallographic approach and improved the relations between international communities.

Although there are neither age limits nor nationality restrictions, when in presence of similarly praiseworthy candidates, priority will be given to a member of the Spanish or Italian crystallographic communities over the wider international one.

Nominations can be forwarded by any regular member of the two Associations (GE3C for Spain and AIC for Italy) and addressed to the respective President and/or Secretary in charge. The deadline for nominations is January 31<sup>st</sup> 2016. The final decision will be taken by a jury of three members, two of them nominated by the Board of the Association which organizes the forthcoming meeting, and one by the Board of the hosted Association. The latter will also be the Chairperson. The decision of the jury is irrevocable. The Prize will be announced on the web page of the corresponding Meeting and communicated to the awardee by the Chairman of the jury.

The 2016 Prize will be presented at the MISCA4 Meeting in Tenerife, June 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> 2016, and the award winner will be encouraged to lecture the "MISCA Gold Medal Talk".