



RETHINKING CHEMISTRY

4 – 6 September 2023
Leipzig

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A nighttime photograph of the Leipzig skyline. The city is illuminated with warm lights, highlighting the golden dome of the St. Nicholas Church and the tall, illuminated tower of the Leipzig City Hall. Modern buildings with lit windows are visible in the foreground and background under a dark blue twilight sky.

CALL FOR PAPERS

INVITATION

Dear colleagues, dear GDCh members,

Next year, from 4 to 6 September 2023, the GDCh will hold the next Science Forum (WiFo) Chemistry, the most important chemistry congress in the German-speaking world, in Leipzig. I cordially invite you to attend.

Rethinking Chemistry will be the guiding theme next year, which the Board has also chosen as the motto for 2022 and 2023. For me, **Rethinking Chemistry** is not just a slogan, but a guiding principle that drives me in my daily work. Rethinking Chemistry is more important than ever in order to meet the most urgent challenges of our time, such as climate change, energy scarcity and new legislation (European Green Deal). In line with the diverse tasks, Rethinking Chemistry is of course not a "one-fits-all solution". Each area of chemistry can and must make its own contribution to meeting these challenges. And WiFo 2023 will show how many valuable contributions chemistry can make.

Two plenary symposia will also pick up on the motto of the Science Forum, which will be held under the themes of

- **Rethinking Chemistry – Concepts** und
- **Rethinking Chemistry – Sustainability Strategies**

You can look forward to the inspiring speakers we have been able to attract for these plenary symposia. In addition, the division lectures will not be neglected, so that you can also keep you up-to-date of the latest developments in your field.

The topics **Synthesis and Catalysis, Materials, Energy, Resources and Environment, Life Sciences, Chemistry Education** and **Interdisciplinary Symposia** will cover the broad spectrum of chemistry and show where we can contribute to contemporary solutions to current problems in cooperation with other sciences.

In order to give a face to our science, we will again award numerous renowned prizes at the WiFo and thus show that commitment is worthwhile. A ChemSlam and events by our career service are also on the programme. And besides all the scientific aspects, our WiFo will also be fun. You will have plenty of opportunity for personal exchange and networking, be it during the coffee breaks, the poster session or during the science party.

Bring your passion for chemistry with you to Leipzig and join **Rethinking Chemistry**. I look forward to seeing you.

Dr. Karsten Danielmeier
President of the GDCh 2022/2023



SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

We invite you to submit your abstract for short lecture and poster (optionally in German or English) to the mentioned topics at the Homepage www.wifo2023.de.

Here you will also find the guidelines for preparing an abstract and detailed information on the registration procedure.

TOPICS

- Synthesis and Catalysis
- Materials
- Energy, Resources and Environment
- Life Sciences
- Chemistry Education
- Interdisciplinary Symposia

PLENARY SYMPOSIA

**Rethinking Chemistry –
Concepts**

**Rethinking Chemistry –
Sustainability Strategies**

KEY DATES

02.03.2023 | Abstract deadline for oral presentations

02.05.2023 | Abstract deadline for poster

03.05.2023 | Registration portal opens

30.06.2023 | Deadline for grant applications

06.07.2023 | Deadline early bird and group discount

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2023

10:00 – 11:30 | Opening ceremony

11:30 – 12:50 | Annual meetings and symposia
of the GDCh divisions

12:50 – 14:10 | Lunch break & exhibition

14:10 – 15:30 | Annual meetings and symposia
of the GDCh divisions

15:30 – 16:00 | Lunch break & exhibition

16:00 – 17:20 | Annual meetings and symposia
of the GDCh divisions

**17:30 – 20:30 | Welcome reception in the
exhibition & posterparty**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

08:30 – 10:00 | Plenary symposia

10:00 – 10:20 | GDCh prizes

10:20 – 10:50 | Coffee break & exhibition

10:50 – 12:50 | Annual meetings and symposia
of the GDCh divisions

12:50 – 14:10 | Lunch break & exhibition

14:10 – 15:30 | Annual meetings and symposia
of the GDCh divisions

15:30 – 16:00 | Coffee break & exhibition

16:00 – 17:20 | Annual meetings and symposia
of the GDCh divisions

18:30 – 22:30 | GDCh-Science Party

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2023

08:30 – 10:00 | Plenary symposia

10:00 – 10:20 | GDCh prizes

10:20 – 10:50 | Coffee break & exhibition

10:50 – 12:50 | Annual meetings and symposia
of the GDCh divisions

12:50 – 14:10 | Lunch break & exhibition

14:10 – 15:30 | Annual meetings and symposia
of the GDCh divisions

15:30 – 16:00 | Coffee break & exhibition

16:00 – 17:00 | Closing

VENUE | EXHIBITION | SPONSORING

VENUE

Leipzig presents itself as a dynamic economic, scientific and cultural metropolis in central Germany. The heart of the city beats in the compact center, which is only about 1 square kilometer in size. Here, versatile and historical sights, architecture and a lively cultural and gastronomic scene are concentrated. In 2023, the GDCh Science Forum Chemistry will take place in the KONGRESSHALLE am Zoo Leipzig.

EXHIBITION AND SPONSORING

An accompanying trade exhibition in the rooms of the KONGRESSHALLE is the central meeting point for all participants. Companies and institutions that would like to present themselves at the exhibition and/or participate in the congress program as a sponsor can obtain detailed information on the homepage or from:

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