



Member Networks Annual Report Form
Reporting events held in 2017 and those planned for 2018

In line with the rules for member networks and to enable us to better support our networks and their activities all member networks (Local Sections, Interest Groups and Analytical Division Regions) are asked to complete this form and return it to networks@rsc.org or by post to; Networks Team, Royal Society of Chemistry, Thomas Graham House, Science Park, Milton Road, Cambridge, CB4 0WF.

Deadlines

Deadline for receipt of Financial Accounts by RSC Finance Team: **9th February 2018**

Deadline for receipt of Annual Report by Networks Team: **26th February 2018**

If there is any reason that your committee will **not** be able to meet either or both of these deadlines please inform networks@rsc.org as soon as possible.

This report will be uploaded to your web page to share with the members of your network. Staff will also share a digest of all member networks activities taken solely from these annual reports with appropriate staff and governance boards and committees including Division Councils with similar interests.

Committee	RSC Photochemistry Group
Completed by	Dr Robert Edkins
Date	20/02/2018

Please list below the dates of all of your planned committee meetings and, if held, AGM.

Annual General Meeting (if being held)

Date:	To be confirmed
Venue:	

Proposed Committee Meetings Dates

Date	Venue
23rd March 2018 (provisional)	Institute of Physics (provisional)



2017 Events

Please append electronic copies of any meeting reports, newsletters or relevant materials to this report.

Please report below on activities undertaken in the past year. If you have more detailed information about any particularly successful events, or advice to share please use a separate sheet. For more events continue as necessary.

EVENT KEY:

- Education Event (including outreach activities for school students or the general public)
- Public Lecture
- Retired Members Event
- Scientific Conference - 1 day
- Scientific Conference - multi day
- Social Event
- Training/workshop
- Award Lecture
- Other

Event Name	RSC Photochemistry Group Meeting
Event Type (key)	Scientific Conference - multi day
Comments	Biennial meeting of the Photochemistry Group. Two-day meeting held at the University of Birmingham, organised by Prof. Zoe Pikramenou (Birmingham) and Dr Robert Edkins (Oxford). The meeting was attended by around 75 participants, mostly early career researchers. The meeting covered all aspects of modern photochemistry with talks from 15 PhD/PDRAs and sessions chaired by PDRAs to increase ECR involvement. This was supplemented by two plenary and two tutorial lectures, which provided an educational component to the meeting. This series of meetings will continue in the future, most likely the next meeting will be in Summer/Autumn 2019 (tbc) and will follow a similar format. The Group's 2017 AGM was held during the conference.

Event Name	Faraday Joint Interest Group Conference 2017
Event Type (key)	Scientific Conference - 1 day
Comments	The Photochemistry Group organised two half day symposia, chaired by Dr Rachel Evans (Cambridge) and Prof. Tony Harriman (Newcastle). There were two excellent plenary talks by Prof. Richard Friend (Cambridge) and Prof. Luisa de Cola (Strasbourg). Prof. Friend delivered an insightful talk entitled "Molecular semiconductors for solar cells – designing around the Coulomb interaction", while Prof. de Cola gave an impressive overview of her research on "Luminescent metal complexes and their assemblies". In addition to a series of contributed talks, there was an excellent poster session shared by all groups.



Awards and Bursaries

Please list any awards or bursaries presented by your committee in the past 12 months and indicate any which will be open for nomination/application in the next calendar year.

Please ensure that all members of your network are notified of any awards or bursaries for general application.

None awarded in 2017

Other information/comments:

- At our AGM in September, Prof. Gareth Williams (Durham University) stood down as Chair, and the committee would like to thank him for his service to the Photochemistry Group. Dr Rachel Evans (Cambridge University) has taken over as Chair. Dr Robert Edkins (Oxford University) took over as Secretary from Dr Rachel Evans. Dr David Worrall (Loughborough University) remains as Treasurer.
- A ballot was held for new early career representatives to the committee. Four excellent candidates stood for two vacant positions. Dr J. Olof Johansson (University of Edinburgh) and Dr Catherine de Castro (Swansea University) were duly elected for a period of three years starting 1st February 2018. The remaining committee welcomes them and looks forward to working with them
- A new-look, more in-depth Group newsletter was trialled in autumn 2017. The newsletter included an introduction from the Chair, reports of recent photochemistry conferences, news about the committee and details of upcoming events. The hope is to produce a second edition in spring 2018 to help increase the visibility of the group, its activities and events relevant to our group's members. The first edition was edited by Dr Rachel Evans and Dr Robert Edkins.
- We have increased our social media following on Twitter threefold, which we are actively using as another route to promote photochemistry and the group.



Future Activities

When planning any activities please remember to ensure that all events are logged on our events database and ensure that all contracts are sent to our Legal Team with enough time for amendments and, where necessary, approval by the Board.

Please outline any activities already in planning for the next calendar year.

No events planned for 2018 yet. To be discussed at the next committee meeting.



Committee

This information will be used to update our membership database and your web page. Please ensure that any changes to the committee are sent to networks@rsc.org as soon as possible.

Position	Name	Dates on committee
Chair	Dr Rachel Evans, University of Cambridge	2011-present
Secretary	Dr Robert Edkins, University of Oxford	2016-present
Treasurer	Dr David Worrall, Loughborough University	2004-present
PR/Social media	Dr James Bruce, Open University	2004-present
Newsletter	Prof. Anthony Harriman, Newcastle University	2016-2019
Industrial Liaison	Dr Nicolas Cheval, Astra Zeneca	2016-2019
Ordinary Members	Prof. Zoe Pikramenou, University of Birmingham	2016-2019
	Prof. Junwang Tang, University College London	2016-2019
	Dr Thomas Mathew, University of Southern California	2016-2019
	Dr Olof Johansson, University of Edinburgh	2018-2021
	Dr Catherine De Castro, Swansea University	2018-2021

Diversity & Inclusion

Our trustees are aiming to embed diversity and inclusion in all of our activities and networks. Our [online network handbook](#) contains more information to support our networks in achieving this. Please comment on how your group is showing that it has embraced Diversity and Inclusion within its practices.

We strive to run all our activities according to the guidelines outlined in the Network Handbook.