

# First Announcement

"the sower" by Wageningen sculptor August Falise (1875-1936) at Wageningen University & Research

## 12<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON POLYELECTROLYTES

AUGUST 27-31, 2018, WAGENINGEN

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The meeting is the 12<sup>th</sup> in the ISP series of conferences started in 1995, on the physics and physical chemistry of polyelectrolytes, with a focus on understanding how electrostatic interactions determine and influence the behaviour of synthetic and biological charged macromolecules in solution, in complexes and at interfaces. We aim at continuing the success of the 11<sup>th</sup> edition in Moscow (2016) by providing a stimulating forum with prominent keynote and invited speakers, ample opportunities for contributed talks and poster presentations, and plenty of opportunities to discuss and interact with colleagues. Wageningen is conveniently located, just one hour by public transport from Schiphol Amsterdam airport.

### International organizing committee

**Paul Dubin** (Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst, USA)

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### Local organizing committee

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## Themes and topics

- Polyelectrolyte Theory and Modeling
- Polyelectrolyte Complex Materials and Complex Coacervation
- Polyelectrolyte Characterization
- Polyelectrolytes and Self-assembly
- Polyelectrolyte Gels and Networks
- Polyelectrolytes in Industrial Applications
- Polyelectrolytes at Interfaces

## Keynote speakers

**Prof. Michael Rubinstein** (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA)

**Prof. Christine Keating** (Penn State University, USA)

**Prof. Russel Stewart** (The University of Utah, USA)

## Pre-conference school on Polyelectrolytes

Ahead of the conference, on August 26 and 27, a PhD course will be organized that will be free of charge for PhD students attending the conference, featuring extended tutorial lectures by a selection of the invited and keynote speakers of the conference.

## General information

Conference venue is the conference centre Hof van Wageningen, in the city centre of Wageningen. Registration and abstract submission for the conference will open early 2018. Registration fees will include full access to the conference venue, lunches, conference dinner, coffee breaks. Accommodation is not included in the fee.

	until 30 June 2018	after 30 June 2018
Industry/ For-Profit organisations	€ 750	€ 900
Non-profit organisations/Universities	€ 400	€ 500

We are looking forward to welcome you in Wageningen, the City of Life Sciences and the heart of the Dutch Food Valley, and to share a successful and enjoyable meeting with you.

For further information about the congress and for registering for conference updates, contact the conference secretariat: [eva.oudshoorn@wur.nl](mailto:eva.oudshoorn@wur.nl)

It is our pleasure to host the [ISP2018 symposium](#) and we look forward to welcoming you.



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