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**IDEACAT**  
Integrated Design of  
Catalytic Nanomaterials  
for a Sustainable Production

# Advanced Course on Catalysis

February 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Eurotel Victoria, Villars-sur-Ollon, Switzerland

## From Molecular to Reactor Design

### General Scope

Nowadays, the chemical processes should be developed following the Green Chemistry principles which are but one facet of the broad issue of sustainability. Solving this issue requires bringing together, other than core knowledge in Catalysis, the expertise from Physical and Surface Chemistry, Nano- & micro-technology, Material Science and Chemical Engineering. Therefore, the development of chemical processes involves phenomena spanning over several orders of magnitude in both size and time.

The presentations will focus on the multi-scale aspects of catalytic systems. Heterogeneous, homogeneous and bio-catalysis will be approached in the same way, going all the way from molecular insight to the choice of the reactor.

The winter school is organized in the framework of the European Network of Excellence on the Integrated Design of Catalytic Nanomaterials for a Sustainable Production (IDEACAT) and is aimed to disseminate catalysis science and to promote the mobility of PhD students and scientists who are active in this field.

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## Course schedule

Time	Sunday 01/02	Monday 02/02	Tuesday 03/02	Wednesday 04/02	Thursday 05/02	Friday 06/02
8:30 – 10:00		1. R. van Santen/ M. Beller	5. M. Beller	9. F. Cavani	13. B. Weckhuysen	17. A. Corma
10:00-10:30		<b>Coffee Break</b>				
10:30-12:00		2. R. van Santen	6. J. Lercher	10. C. Copéret	14. M. Baerns	18. A. Wokaun
12:00-17:30		<b>Lunch Break</b>				
17:30-19:00	<b>Registration 15:00-19:00h</b>	3. L. Kiwi-Minsker	7. U. Bornscheuer	11.1 M. Beller 11.2 K. de Jong	15. A. Renken	
19:00-20:30		<b>Dinner</b>				
20:30- 22:00		4. A. Renken	8. T. Jacobs	12. K. de Jong	16. J. Schouten	

## Detailed scientific program

Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

### Introduction

1. Catalysis in Perspective (Rutger van Santen and M. Beller)

### Concepts & Methods

2. Physical / chemical principles of heterogeneous catalysis (Rutger van Santen)

3. Kinetics of heterogeneous & homogeneous catalytic Reactions (Liubov Kiwi-Minsker)

4. Transport phenomena in catalytic processes (Albert Renken)

Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

### The chemistry of catalytic reactivity & catalytic conversion

5. Homogeneous catalysis: hydrogenation / hydroformylation (M. Beller)

6. Heterogeneous catalytic systems & processes (alkane activation, alkylations) (Johannes A. Lercher)

7. Biocatalysis (Uwe Bornscheuer)

8. Electrocatalysis (Timo Jacobs)

Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>

### The chemistry of catalytic reactivity & catalytic conversion

9. Oxidation catalysis (homogeneous & heterogeneous) (Fabrizio Cavani)

10. Single center catalysis (homogeneous / heterogeneous) (Christophe Copéret)

### Catalyst synthesis & materials

11.1. Molecular defined systems (M. Beller)

11.2. Heterogeneous inorganic catalysts & supports (Krijn de Jong)

12. Preparation of supported catalysts (Krijn de Jong)

Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup>

### Experimental methods for catalyst characterization

13. Heterogeneous catalysis – in situ methods (Bert Weckhuysen)

14. Catalyst testing, design of experiments (Manfred Baerns)

### Reactor devices and operation

15. Catalytic reaction engineering (Albert Renken)

16. Multifunctional reactors (Jaap Schouten)

Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup>

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### Reactor devices and operation

17. Zeolites for fine chemicals (Avelino Corma)

18. Energy related catalysis (Alexander Wokaun)

## Course instructors

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## Practical information

### Registration

All participants have to register prior to **December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008**. The number of participants is limited to 70. (1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> served). Please download the registration form available at <http://isic.epfl.ch/catalysis-course>

Your registration will be considered by the organization committee and you will receive a letter of acceptance by December 15, 2008. At this point, you have to pay the registration fee to complete the registration.

### Venue

The WinterSchool will be held in the Eurotel-Victoria (phone +41 24 495 3131) in Villars-sur-Ollon in the Swiss Alps near Montreux/Lausanne

- <http://www.eurotel-victoria.ch/villars/SiteVillars.html>
- <http://www.villars.ch/en/welcome.cfm>

### Participation Fee

The participation fee covers the total cost of the seminar including full board from Sunday evening to Friday noon (5 nights, including coffee breaks and all meals excluding beverages):

- CHF 925.- (ca. € 580) for double room accommodation
- CHF 1150.- (ca. € 780) for single room accommodation

Participants belonging to the IDECAT Network can use their IDECAT funds to pay travel and accommodation fees.

*The "Conference universitaire de Suisse occidentale" subsidizes participants from CUSO universities or associated organizations. They have to use a separate form (<http://isic.epfl.ch/catalysis-course>)*

### Travel



Villars is accessible by train from all the main airports in Switzerland.

There is a half-hourly connection from Geneva, Basel, and Zürich to Aigle and Bex, where you have to change to a local train (from Bex) or a bus (from Aigle) to reach **Villars-sur-Ollon**.

For the schedule see: <http://www.sbb.ch/en/>.