



# Research School of Physics and Engineering

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#### FROM THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

The Director will be participating in collaborative research at the Federal University of Juiz de Fora, Brazil, as part of a Brazilian Government supported Science without Borders Research Programme. He will be travelling from 22/9-30/9 and Professor Tim Senden will be acting Director during this period.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

To **Professor Yuri Kivshar** who was awarded the 2013 State Prize of Ukraine for Science and Technology (in a group of several other recipients) for a series of works entitled **"Nonlinear waves and solitons in condensed matter physics"**. The committee decision was approved by the President of the Ukraine on August 23, 2014.

http://www.president.gov.ua/documents/18011.html

#### **SCHOOL SEMINAR**



Right and Wrong in the Conduct of Science

Professor Mukunda P Das
Theoretical Physics, RSPE, ANU
4.00pm Thursday 2
October

Leonard Huxley Lecture Theatre
Further information at:
<a href="http://physics.anu.edu.au/events.php?EventID=227">http://physics.anu.edu.au/events.php?EventID=227</a>

Please join us for drinks and nibbles after the Seminar in the RSPE Tearoom

# DEPUTY DIRECTOR TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

# **Industry Engagement**

A guide to presenting your ideas and maintaining relationships with industry.

9:30-12:30 Tuesday 23 September

Link Seminar Room

please note change of date.

# **FAREWELL**

#### Electronic Materials Engineering

Farewell **Leonardus Bimo Bayu Aji** who has submitted his PhD Thesis and is heading off to the US to take up a position in Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. We wish him good luck.

#### NEW RSPE DIRECTOR SEARCH

The process of appointing a new School Director is underway. Applications have closed and shortlisting is expected to happen in a couple of weeks.

At this stage, input from School members to the Appointment Committee is helpful, and should be given via the Liaison Committee, made up of Yuri Kivshar (Chair), Rana Ganguly, Rod Boswell, Rob Elliman, Andrew Truscott, Ping Koy Lam, Vanessa Robins, and Horst Punzmann.

Any member of School who wishes to make suggestions about candidates to be considered seriously for the position should please talk or email to the Liaison Committee members.

Candidates on the final shortlist will be invited to give a seminar presentation to the School community, most likely during the last two weeks of October. The Liaison committee will canvas School feedback via a questionnaire after these presentations.

#### OHS BULLETIN

#### **Training Courses**

Flammable liquids (OHSA13) 23 September

#### VISITOR

#### Nonlinear Physics Centre

**Professor Roland Schiek**, a visitor from University of Applied Science, Regensburg Germany is arriving today for a two week visit with NLPC. He will have a desk in L1.05, Telephone – 51745, Email – roland.schiek@hs-regensburg.de

## **DEPARTMENTAL SEMINARS**

## **Department of Applied Mathematics**

**Exploring Wet Adhesion** 

Final PhD Presentation

Ponlawat Tayati (Joe)

**Department of Applied Mathematics** 

3:17pm Friday 26 September

LC 3.17 Seminar Room, Le Couteur Building

## **Nuclear Physics Seminar**

Radioactive Isotopes in nuclear solid state physics

Dr Patrick Kessler

National Metrology Institute of Germany

11:00am Tuesday 30 September

Nuclear Physics Seminar Room

Congratulations to the winners of the John Carver Seminar Series 2014!

#### JOHN CARVER SEMINAR SERIES



This year we had 12 student speakers who presented fantastic talks on their research at the John Carver Seminar Series.

The winner of the John Carver prize was Romana Lester from the Department of Plasma Research Laboratories, the Director's Prize went to Kate Ferguson from the Department of Laser Physics and the Dean's Prize was won by Heyang Li from the Department of Applied Mathematics. The winner of the audience vote was Jiahao Dong from the Department of Quantum Science.

Well done and thank you to all speakers for presenting great talks!

#### 2015 ANU ALUMNI AWARDS

The nominations for the 2015 ANU Alumni Awards are now open. The ANU Alumni Awards recognise the extraordinary achievements and significant contributions made by our graduates and students in Australia and internationally in a range of areas.

# Categories include:

- Alumnus of the Year Philanthropy
- Alumnus of the Year Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Alumnus of the Year Research or Academia
- International Alumnus of the Year
- Young Alumnus of the Year
- Student of the Year

If you know a graduate or student who inspires and whose achievements are extraordinary, please contact Kavitha Robinson, Development Manager on kavitha.robinson@anu.edu.au

Nominations close on 31 October 2014.

For more info: https://alumniandfriends.anu.edu.au/alumni-

<u>awards</u>