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EuroNanoForum 2015 to put research and industry frontrunners in the spotlight in June in Latvia

EuroNanoForum 2015 takes place on 10-12 June 2015 in Riga, Latvia, under the auspices of the Latvian Presidency of the Council of the European Union. It is organised by the University of Latvia and Spinverse in cooperation with the European Commission's Directorate-General for Research and Innovation and has received funding from the Horizon 2020. The emphasis of the conference is on promoting a European manufacturing renaissance through applying nanotechnology and advanced materials.

Since 2003, the EuroNanoForum biannual series of conferences have grown into the most significant European forum in its field. It serves as an unparalleled platform for discussions amongst scientists, industrialists and policy makers, as well as an exceptional networking opportunity with the key decision makers. Following on from the previous successful events, EuroNanoForum 2015 will be organised in Riga during the Latvian Presidency of the Council of the European Union. It serves as a place for the global nanotechnology community to discuss the latest research findings, to convey visions for the market impact of nanotechnology and to demonstrate high value-added products at the Nanotech Europe exhibition.

Plenaries, sessions and workshops will focus on advanced materials and new production technologies within industries such as the chemical, automotive, healthcare and energy. "Latvian Saiets" – within the frameworks of the Nanotech Europe 2015 exhibition - will display excellent Latvian research results and innovative companies.

EuroNanoForum 2015 has confirmed some of the foremost minds to lead the discussion in Riga. With the theme being "Nanotechnology for European competitiveness", the speaker list offers a diverse range of topics for delegates to discuss, debate and learn about. Set for 10-12 June 2015, speakers' highlights include:

2014 European CTO of the Year **Gert-Jan Gruter**, of Netherlands-based SME Avantium, known for revolutionising the plastics market through his work on next generation bio-based polyesters for fibre films and bottles;

2014 Millennium Technology Prize Winner **Stuart Parkin**, Director at the Max Planck Institute of Microstructure Physics and an IBM Fellow. Parkin's groundbreaking discoveries, building on the work of European Nobel Laureates Albert Fert and Peter Grünberg, enabled a more than 1000-fold increase in the magnetic hard-disk-drive data-density contact;

Meyya Meyyappan, Chief Scientist for Exploration Technology at the Center for Nanotechnology, NASA Ames Research Center, who received an IEEE Pioneer Award in Nanotechnology in 2011 for carbon nanotube application development and leadership in nanotechnology and was also inducted into the Silicon Valley Engineering Council Hall of Fame.

Noteworthy, the participants to EuroNanoForum 2015 will also get a first-hand knowledge of the initial activities launched under Horizon 2020 and hear expert insight for the coming calls, within the sessions on finance and funding through European and national programmes, smart specialisation and public-private partnership initiatives.

For more information on EuroNanoForum 2015, please visit www.euronanoforum2015.eu or contact us:

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