

FunGLASS Centre of Excellence team, from left: Andrea Kalinayová, Lothar Wondraczek, Alicia Duran, Dusan Galusek, Enrico Bernardo, Jozef Habanik, and Aldo Boccaccini.

## FunGLASS research center established in Slovakia with €25M

The global glass community received a €25 million investment in glass research to establish the new Centre for Functional and Surface-Functionalized Glasses (FunGLASS) in Trenčín, Slovakia—with partner institutions in Germany, Spain, and Italy.

Funding sources include the European Commission H2020 program (€15M) and the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic (€10M).

The Centre's purpose is to conduct cutting edge research on glasses with special functional properties as well as investigate novel strategies for functionalizing conventional glasses—with the goal of modifying properties and adding new functionalities to expand the range of applications in the optical, energy, structural, and biomedical sectors. You can learn more at www.funglass.eu.

### Students and outreach

## Students, recent grads: ACerS membership is career investment

Membership in ACerS is an investment in your profession that will expand your knowledge, yield valuable connections, and advance your career. Visit www.bit.ly/StudentGradMembers to view our flow chart, which will help you determine which membership is right for you! Questions? Contact Tricia Freshour at tfreshour@ceramics.org.

# Show off your creative talent in ACerS PCSA creativity contest

Ever tried to combine science with art? Give it a try and compete in ACerS PCSAs 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Creativity Competition! There are three prize categories, and winning entries will be displayed at the ACerS booth at MS&T17 in Pittsburgh, Pa. For details, visit www.ceramics.org/pcsacreative. Deadline for submissions is August 15, 2017.

#### Learn how to get published at PACRIM12/ GOMD 2017 workshop

Want to learn how to get published? If you are attending PACRIM12/GOMD 2017 in Hawaii, plan to attend "So you want to get published: A workshop for graduate students and young professionals," sponsored by Saint-Gobain, on Monday May 22, 2017, noon to 1:15 p.m. ACerS journal editors will cover writing tips, online publishing tools, and the process of getting published. For more information, visit www.ceramics. org/publshingworkshop.

## Hone your speaking, artistic, and physical skills at MS&T17 student contests

- Undergraduate student poster contest
- Undergraduate student speaking contest
- Graduate student poster contest
- Ceramic mug drop contest
- · Ceramic disc golf contest

For more information on any of the contests or student activities at MS&T, visit www.matscitech.org/students, or contact Tricia Freshour at tfreshour@ceramics.org.

