



## Professor Giovanni Natile becomes President Elect

### NEWS RELEASE

**Professor Giovanni Natile, President of the Italian Chemical Society, has been elected to the position of President Elect of EuCheMS. He will become President of EuCheMS in October 2005.**

Professor Giovanni Natile, currently President of the Italian Chemical Society/Società Chimica Italiana (SCI), was elected by the General Assembly to succeed Professor Gábor Náray-Szabó as President of EuCheMS in October 2005. Giovanni Natile is Professor of General and Inorganic Chemistry in the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences of the Università degli Studi di Bari, Italy <http://www.farmchim.uniba.it/index.htm> As President of the Società Chimica Italiana and to promote collaboration with other European chemical societies in order to improve their partnership. He has also initiated action to promote the spread of chemical knowledge in society, in accordance with the belief that a better understanding of chemistry means a better future for chemistry.

Giovanni Natile is active in the field of organometallic chemistry and bioinorganic chemistry and is author of ca. 200 papers, several book chapters and some patents. He is Coordinator of a National Consortium for the "Chemistry of Metals in Biological Systems" which puts together 20 research teams from different Italian universities. He is/has been a member of the management committee and project leader of several COST Actions (D1, D8, and D20).

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**Note:** *EuCheMS – the European Association for Chemical and Molecular Sciences takes over the role and responsibilities of the Federation of European Chemical Societies and Professional Institutions. It is a non-profit making association. Its object is to promote cooperation in Europe between those non-profit-making scientific and technical societies and professional institutions in the field of chemistry whose membership consists largely of individual qualified chemists/chemical scientists and whose interests include the science and/or practice of chemistry/ chemical sciences. It was founded in 1970 and currently has 50 member societies in 36 countries.*

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