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The aim of the symposium is to present an overview across the wide field of modern physical chemistry and to emphasis its highly interdisciplinary character. Some of the topics that will be addressed include the optical and chemical behavior of nanoparticles, molecular switches and concepts of modern catalysis.

Among invited speakers:

Gerhard Ertl (Nobel laureate 2007), Claude Cohen-Tannoudji (Nobel laureate 1997), Helmut Schwarz (president of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation), Andrzej Sobolewski (Copernicus Prize 2008), Jürgen Troe (Max-Planck research award 1994), Bogdan Marciniec (Polish Nobel Prize 2009) and Thomas Ebbesen (Agilent Europhysics Prize 2001, Randers Research Prize 2001)

Participation of young scientists is strongly encouraged. They will have an opportunity to present their scientific achievements during numerous poster sessions. Special travel&accommodation support will also be available.

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