

2016 AMS Mario J. Molina Symposium, 10–14 January 2016 in New Orleans, Louisiana

The Mario J. Molina Symposium, sponsored by the American Meteorological Society (AMS) and co-organized by the AMS Committee on Atmospheric Chemistry, will be held 10–14 January 2016, as part of the 96th AMS Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dr. Molina's pioneering research of the impacts of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) on stratospheric ozone demonstrated the vulnerability of the natural environment and promoted the public awareness of the potential harmful consequences of anthropogenic activities. His research was instrumental to the negotiation and the establishment of the Montreal Protocol to protect the ozone layer by prohibiting the release of gases that destroy stratospheric ozone. In addition, he has made fundamental advances to atmospheric chemistry both in the troposphere and stratosphere.

The 2016 AMS Mario J. Molina Symposium will contain an integrated theme related to atmospheric chemistry, climate, and policy. The conference will include invited keynote speeches and invited and contributed oral and poster sessions, and a banquet will be held on Tuesday January 12, 2016. Contributions are sought for all aspects of atmospheric chemistry. A special issue relevant to this symposium is planned by the *Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences*.

Support for students and junior scientists attending this symposium, provided by AMS, National Science Foundation (NSF), Department of Energy (DOE), and the Global Atmosphere Watch Programme of World Meteorological Organization (WMO), is available on a competitive basis. Awards for Best Student Presentation Prizes will be made at the symposium. These awards recognize outstanding student contributions based on oral and poster presentations. Students are asked at the time of the abstract submission if they want to be considered for such awards. Further details on this symposium are posted on the AMS website (<http://annual.ametsoc.org/2016/index.cfm/programs-and-events/conferences-and-symposia/mario-j-molina-symposium/>).

Authors of accepted presentations will be notified via e-mail by late-September 2015. All extended abstracts are to be submitted electronically and will be available on-line via the Web. Instructions for formatting extended abstracts will be posted on the AMS Web site. Please submit your abstract electronically via the Web by **3 August 2015** (refer to the AMS Web page at http://www.ametsoc.org/meet/online_submit.html). An abstract fee of \$95 (payable by credit card or purchase order) is charged at the time of submission (refundable only if abstract is not accepted). Authors have the option to submit manuscripts (up to 10 MB) electronically by **12 February 2016**.

The organization Committee of the 2016 AMS Mario J. Molina Symposium is Renyi Zhang (chair), William Brune (co-chair), John P. Burrows, Jeff Collett, Jiwen Fan, Franz Geiger, Shan-Hu Lee, and Sasha Madronich. Please contact the program chairpersons (renyi-zhang@tamu.edu and whb2@psu.edu) for additional information. The International Commission on Atmospheric Chemistry and Global Pollution (ICACGP) is a co-sponsor of this symposium.