

2014 Distinguished Guest Lecture & Symposium

# Plastic debris in the ocean - a global environmental problem

A one-day symposium organised by the Environmental Chemistry Group and Environment, Sustainability and Energy Division of the Royal Society of Chemistry. The 2014 ECG Distinguished Guest Lecture will be provided by Professor Richard Thompson (Plymouth University).

Where: **The Royal Society of Chemistry, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London**  
When: **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2014**

## Programme

1200 Lunch, Coffee

1300 Meeting Start, opening by Chair of ECG (Dr Bill Bloss)

**Professor Norman Billingham, University of Sussex**  
*Polymers and their environmental degradation*

**Dr Edwin Foekema, IMARES (Institute for Marine Resources and Ecosystem Studies)**  
*Aspects that determine the actual risk of plastic associated POPs for marine organisms*

1430 Tea / Coffee; ECG Annual General Meeting

1530 **Dr Heather Leslie, Institute for Environmental Studies, VU University**  
*Macroplastics and Microplastics – what is their environment impact?*

**DGL: Professor Richard Thompson, Plymouth University**  
*Plastic debris in the ocean – solutions to a global environmental problem*

## General Discussion

1715 Close

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Admission is by ticket only. In order to register for this meeting, please **register online** via [www.rsc.org/ecg](http://www.rsc.org/ecg) (choose "forthcoming events") or complete the slip below and return by post.

### **Registration fees**

- Non-members of ECG- £90 (£50 early bird rate- all bookings before 31<sup>st</sup> January)
- ECG members and concessions- £45 (£30 early bird rate- all bookings before 31<sup>st</sup> January)
- Retired RSC and ECG members- Free (limited availability)

Early application is encouraged as places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

A limited number of places are reserved free for retired members; these will also be allocated on a first come first served basis. We are able to offer a limited number of travel bursaries for current students – please contact the symposium organiser if you would like to be considered for one of these.

If you are unable to register online, or have any other queries then please contact Dr Stuart Wagland.

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