Welcome to Microscopy and Microanalysis 2017 in St. Louis, Missouri, and to our exciting Anniversary celebration!

The Microscopy Society of America, the Microanalysis Society and the International Field Emission Society welcome you to Microscopy and Microanalysis 2017 in historic St. Louis, Missouri. As you have come to expect, Microscopy and Microanalysis 2017 will highlight the latest innovations in many different microscopy and microanalysis techniques as well as their applications to important research in biological, physical and materials sciences.

In addition, we are offering four exciting pre-meeting Congresses – including the inaugural Pre-Meeting Congress for Early Career Professionals, organized by the MSA Student Council. The Exhibition will again feature and display the newest developments in commercial technologies aimed at providing new and improved capabilities in your laboratory. Plan to attend the lively daily poster sessions, held in the exhibit hall – they are fun and engaging social events too!

We are pleased to offer what are sure to be fascinating plenary talks: Eric Betzig, winner of the 2014 Nobel Prize in Chemistry “for the development of super-resolved fluorescence microscopy”, will speak on Imaging Cellular Structure and Dynamics from Molecules to Organisms. Keith Riles, a member of the LIGO Scientific Collaboration, that in 2015 detected gravitational waves, a prediction of Einstein’s theory of general relativity, will speak on Detecting Massive Black Holes via Attometry – Gravitational Wave Astronomy Begins.

The Executive Program Committee and all of our symposium organizers have worked tirelessly to produce the technical program for Microscopy and Microanalysis 2017. On behalf of the program committee, MSA, MAS and IFES, welcome to Microscopy and Microanalysis 2017 and St. Louis, Missouri. Have a great week!

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