

Announcement Ernst Eckhard Koch Prize 2026

The Society of Friends of Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin announces the Ernst Eckhard Koch Prize. It is bestowed for outstanding doctoral theses in the field of research with synchrotron radiation performed at either Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin für Materialien und Energie (HZB) or Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron (DESY) in Hamburg, and which were completed during the current or past year. The name of this prize which is awarded annually since 1990 is in memory of the late scientific director of the former BESSY GmbH. The Ernst Eckhard Koch Prize includes a monetary award amounting to 3,000 Euro. The awardee will be chosen by a selection committee, and the prize is presented in a ceremony during the User Meeting of HZB in December 2026 in Berlin-Adlershof.

The executive committee of the Society is now calling for proposals of candidates. Closing date:

September 30, 2026

The award of the doctoral degree must be successfully completed by this date and proof of this must be provided. Self-nominations are not accepted. Experienced Scientists who are active in the field of synchrotron radiation research are invited to present a substantiated proposal sent to the Chair of the Society (franziska.emmerling@bam.de). This should include in digital form the doctoral thesis in English or German language, the candidates' curriculum vitae and list of publications. Further references are welcome.

Further information at:

https://www.helmholtz-berlin.de/zentrum/organisation/freundeskreis/index_en.html

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