

Hello and welcome to the [final EFCE newsletter of 2017](#).

It is a slightly sad occasion for me, as it is the last newsletter I will be introducing – my second term as EFCE president comes to an end this year. However I am proud to be handing over the reins to Dr. Hermann Feise, who was elected as the new EFCE President earlier this year. He is joined by two new vice presidents and seven new trustees, who will be taking up their roles on the EFCE Executive Board in January 2018.

For more details on the EFCE elections and changes to its leadership, see the [attached newsletter](#).

Other highlights from the newsletter include:

- Calls for nominations for the Young Researcher Award in Mixing, the Excellence Award for an outstanding PhD Thesis on CAPE, the Distinguished Lecture in Thermodynamics and Transport Properties, and the Excellence Award in Fluid Separations
- Updates from the Working Parties and Sections, including changes to the chairs and vice-chairs
- Event report on RELPOWFLO V, which took place earlier this year
- A look ahead to upcoming events in 2018.

I would also like to invite you to read the Barcelona Declaration, which was issued during the World Congress of Chemical Engineering in the autumn and is supported by EFCE. The declaration has now been published in the IChemE / EFCE journal Chemical Engineering Research and Design and is [freely available here](#).

I wish you all Happy Holidays, a peaceful and productive 2018, and a fond farewell.

*Rafiqul Gani*

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