

# I. PREFACE

## *Vorwort*

The year of 2015 will be remembered with the heavy constructions in and around our Institute building in TNF Tower. The working conditions were quite difficult due to the noise level but also due to the large dust contamination in all rooms. Once more, the use of glove boxes for devices fabrications turned out to be a very wise decision, since the dust contamination is hindered in a glove box system, in addition to the controlled atmosphere.

Scientifically this year was dominated with the projects and works in the fields of bio-organic electronics and bio-electrocatalysis as well as in magneto optical studies in our new lab. We are pursuing a nice integration of hydrogen bonded semiconductors into biomedical systems which can lead to artificial retina and bio-integrated electronic elements and sensors.

In direction of this field of bio-electronics we organized again International BioEl Winterschools in Kirchberg in Tirol, Austria ([www.bioel.at](http://www.bioel.at)) These conferences we have been organizing in March, have already been repeated for the third time in March 2016 with continuing success.

Our collaboration with the University of Yamagata at Yonezawa, Japan, continued with the visits of Dr. Nakayama, Dr. Matsui, Dr. Masuhara and Dr. Mamada as well as their students. These long term visitors from Japan and the travels from our side to Japan are fully covered within the Japanese ANGEL Project.

Last but not least, there has been several persons visiting our Institute, some long term members of the Institute also have been leaving for permanent jobs elsewhere. Especially to mention is the new professor position for Dr. Matthew White at the University of Vermont, USA. We wish him all the best in his new assignment and will support him always as a "LIOS member" in future.

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