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Editorial

The 9th Regional Symposium on Electrochemistry - South East Europe

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The 9th Symposium on Electrochemistry - South East Europe (RSE-SEE 9) was held from June 3 to June 7, 2024, in Novi Sad, the second-largest city in Serbia and the capital of Vojvodina Province. The Symposium took place at the University of Novi Sad, in the Rectorate building, within the university's green campus near the Danube. It gathered electrochemists from the region to discuss recent research and developments in the field. The Electrochemical Division of the Serbian Chemical Society and the Faculty of Technology, University of Novi Sad, organized the event.

The RSE-SEE 9 featured a total of 140 presentations, including 57 oral presentations (44 excluding student contributions), 5 plenary talks, 17 keynote lectures, and 61 posters. The program covered various areas of electrochemistry, with the largest number of contributions in electrocatalysis, which included 2 plenary talks, 2 keynote lectures, 12 oral presentations, and 14 posters. Corrosion and corrosion prevention was another major topic, with 1 keynote lecture, 6 oral presentations, and 6 poster. Electrochemical energy storage was represented by 5 keynote lectures, 2 oral presentations, and 12 posters. Electrochemistry for environmental applications included 5 oral and 9 poster presentations, while the electrochemistry of new materials had 1 keynote lecture, 4 oral along with 4 poster presentations. Other topics, such as analytical electrochemistry, electrodeposition, interfaces, organic and bioelectrochemistry, and nanoscale electrochemistry, were also well represented.

The Symposium gathered 153 participants from 26 countries across all continents except Australia. The event was supported by four sponsors and included three exhibitors. Additionally, it received funding from the Ministry of Science, Technological Development and Innovations of Republic of Serbia and the Vojvodina Provincial Secretariat.

This special issue of *Journal of Electrochemical Science and Engineering* brings together full papers based on presentations given at RSE-SEE 9. It includes eleven contributions, comprising two review articles and nine full-length research papers. Covering various areas of electrochemistry, this collection highlights some of the key findings presented at the symposium. The guest editors would like to extend their gratitude to all the authors who contributed to this special issue, which we hope

will further enhance the impact of electrochemistry research in South East Europe and make it more visible to the worldwide community.



Figure 1. Joint photograph of the Symposium participants, taken on June 3rd, 2024.

Given the importance of electrochemistry in modern society, particularly in energy, environmental protection, and the development of new materials, the 9th Symposium on Electrochemistry - South East Europe provided a platform for knowledge exchange and fostered scientific collaboration among researchers from around the world. The next, 10th RSE-SEE, will be held in 2026 in Prague, Czech Republic, continuing the tradition of bringing together experts to discuss the latest advancements and future directions in electrochemical research.