

Council Oral Report

ACS Immediate Past President (San Francisco, CA)

Mr. President, Fellow Councilors, ACS staff, and distinguished guests:

(slide 1) It has been an amazing journey these last three years serving in the ACS Presidential succession. I have shared my presidential message of how we can all “Partner for Progress and Prosperity” with chemistry communities around the world. I just returned last week from the Chinese Chemical Society Congress in Beijing where ACS Pubs, CAS, and Membership partnered to share ACS information and resources including a successful Chemistry Festival.

(slide 2) This slide shows the cover of the first ACS Symposium book based on my presidential symposia and shares perspectives of global thought leaders. . It is available in hard copy from Oxford University Press and online on the ACS Pubs website.

(slide 3) This book also includes my Presidential Task Force report with its 7 recommendations. The 4th recommendation involved studying the Supply and Demand of Chemists and Jobs to bring them to a better equilibrium.

(slide 4) I want to thank all members of this important task force led by CEPA for their recent report. I have invited them to co-author a chapter covering their findings in our third ACS Symposium book coming out next year.

(slide 5) Our second ACS Symposium Book will be published online soon and is based on my presidential symposia from last fall. Its 25 chapters cover important topics related to my presidential initiatives focusing on “Careers, Entrepreneurship, and Diversity.”

I also want to briefly highlight findings of another working group where DAC **partnered** with IAC to survey division members to study the extent of international collaborations. They plan to share best practices of various divisions engaged in international collaborations.

(slide 6) I am happy to announce that the first **Global Award for Partners for Progress and Prosperity** was presented at the International Reception last Sunday. It was awarded to the Division of Agricultural & Food Chemistry and the Thailand International Chapter for exemplary **partnering** on a very successful first joint symposium on Ag and Food Chemistry in Bangkok, Thailand.

Other Partners for Progress and Prosperity (abbreviated as P3) Awards will be given starting in 2015 by local sections and regional meetings with funding provided by remaining funds from my presidential budget at the end of this year. Please share the publicity flyer on this new P3 Award that is on your chair. More details will be posted on the ACS website soon after this meeting.

(slide 7) I want to thank WCC as the lead sponsor for partnering with me on a successful WCC international symposium yesterday on “Women Leaders of the Global Chemistry Enterprise.” Many of the speakers are leaders of global alliances with ACS.

(slide 8) I also want to thank many others for their support.

(slide 9) I live in the San Francisco Bay Area so I hope you've enjoyed this meeting and have had a chance to see some of the posters on Bay Area Chemistry.

It has truly been wonderful working with you the Councilors, ACS staff, and many others. Thanks for all YOUR help and support!

Let's continue to **“Partner for Progress and Prosperity!”** to *benefit our members* and to *advance the global chemistry enterprise*.

Thank you, Mr. President, this concludes my report.