



Prof. Czarske is Fellow of OSA (The Optical Society)

On October 28th, 2015 the OSA president Prof. Philip Russell (Director at the Max-Planck Institute for the Science of Light in Erlangen) has congratulated Prof. Czarske on behalf of the Board of Directors on his advancement to the class of Fellow. Prof. Czarske is recognized *for seminal contributions to interferometric and spectroscopic metrology for harsh environments and to adaptive optical systems.*

Overall, the impact of the nominee's achievements is decisive for the distinction of the Fellow Award of OSA as follows: Evidence of accomplishments, significant discoveries or advances; substantial innovation, creativity, or development; exceptional career as an educator; sustained and substantial leadership to the global community; business leadership; record of important publications; record of significant patents; excellence in product development or project management; outstanding engineering application or scientific accomplishments. The number of Fellows elected each year is limited to approximately 0.4 % of the current membership total.

The Optical Society, located in Washington, DC, United States, is a scientific society dedicated to advancing the study of light — optics and photonics — in theory and application, by means of publishing, organizing conferences and exhibitions, partnership with industry, and education. The organization has members in more than 100 countries. As of 2015, OSA has 19,000 individual members and more than 250 corporate member companies (wikipedia).

Founded in 1916, The Optical Society (OSA) is the leading professional association in optics and photonics, home to accomplished science, engineering, and business leaders from all over the world. Through world-renowned publications, meetings, and membership programs, OSA provides quality information and inspiring interactions that power achievements in the science of light. 34 OSA members have been awarded a Nobel Prize in Physics, Chemistry or Physiology/Medicine (www.osa.org).

The OSA is one of the founding partner of ILY 2015. The International Year of Light and Light-Based Technologies (IYL 2015) is a global initiative that will highlight to the citizens of the world the importance of light and optical technologies in their lives, for their futures, and for the development of society (www.light2015.org).