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Graphene forum – platform for a new age technology

Dear Readers,

All of us are in different stages of our careers. Like materials, time is needed to develop the foundation of a career or technology platform. We will enter challenges, and sometimes very much energy is needed. In our research, we find our special place in a research arena. Like successful business approaches, we find niches where we have an advantageous edge. At such times, we can use our inspiration and learn from each other.

So please let us give an example! At American Graphene Forum in 2016, the American Graphene Award was given to Camilla Coletti, Istituto Italiano Di Tecnologia, in Pisa, Italy. Her research focus is in 2D materials toward bioapplications (www.iit.it/camilla-coletti). She started in 2004 as master student at the Integrated Systems Laboratory, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH), Zurich, Switzerland. In 2005-2007 she was graduate student at the Electrical Engineering Department, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL, USA, and postdoc in 2008-2011 by an Alexander von Humboldt Postdoctoral Fellowship at the Interface Analysis Group, Max Planck Institute for Solid State Research, Stuttgart, Germany. Now she is building her own group and particular research area. And it is at this stage when our learnings, and in particular people we started to know during previous experience, create opportunities. The material and technology have less importance, as general rule successful projects are carried out by people who collaborate efficiently.

So as an inspiration and new avenue in the advanced materials congress, we are introducing topical sessions and invite people to propose symposiums. At the Global Graphene Forum 2017, the Association of Advanced Materials have asked Camilla Coletti to gather researchers around a topic. At the same time as it provides an avenue of fruitful exchange in a relevant advanced material area, it also serves as inspiration to young researchers that creating own research areas are possible. At the end it is our own inspiration and experience which are creating the opportunities.

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