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EFCE presents Process Safety Award for work on safety aspects of CO₂ handling in the frame of the Carbon Sequestration Chain

Dr. Paolo Mocellin has been named the winner of the **2019 EFCE Excellence Award in Process Safety** of the European Federation of Chemical Engineering (EFCE).

The Award recognises his excellent PhD thesis "Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) and Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR) hazard analysis. Experimental investigation and modelling of multiphase CO₂ pressurized releases" completed at University of Padova, Italy, under the supervision of Professor Giuseppe Maschio.



His research work covered key aspects of Safety Science and Technology applied to CO₂ pipeline networks in the framework

of the Carbon Sequestration Chain. A synergic experimental and modelling activity was performed in order to make a modelling tool available for hazard analysis purposes. The combination of two approaches has led to the development of a global model for use in QRA studies applied to CO₂ treatment infrastructure, both in land use planning and in emergency situations. The PhD work has resulted in eleven scientific publications, in which the candidate as lead author in six papers, with a majority of these in the Chemical Engineering Transactions journal.

He said: "I am very grateful and thrilled for the nomination of this prestigious award."

Paolo Mocellin obtained his Master degree in Chemical and Process Engineering and his PhD degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Padova, Italy. Currently, he holds a postdoctoral researcher position in Chemical and Safety Engineering. Research topic: *Natech Risk Assessment, computational fluid dynamic simulations of atypical accidental scenarios*.

In his nomination, Prof. Maschio stated: "He represents an inspired young researcher engaged in studying and disseminating Safety Science applied to engineering and sustainable industrial development."

The Award was presented on 18 June 2019 at the end of the morning plenary session of the 16th Loss Prevention Symposium, held in Delft, The Netherlands, from 16 to 19 June 2019.

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