

Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce the winners of the *Applied Sciences* Travel Awards for 2017.

The Travel Awards were granted to: Dr. Urcan Guler, a postdoctoral researcher in the joint research group of Professor Alexandra Boltasseva, Professor Alexander Kildishev, and Professor Vladimir Shalaev at Purdue University, USA; and Dr. Davide Bossini, who was awarded a postdoctoral fellowship for overseas researchers by the JSPS (Japanese Society for the Promotion of Science). Dr. Bossini is working in the research group led by Prof. Junji Yumoto and Prof. Makoto Kuwata-Gonokami at the University of Tokyo, Japan.

Dr. Urcan Guler works in the areas of nanophotonics and nanofabrication with a focus on design, development and characterization of material systems for utilization as plasmonic and metamaterial components in harsh environment applications.

Dr. Davide Bossini is researching the ultrafast manipulation of the magnetic order in solid state compounds. In particular, his activity focuses on the study of laser-induced coherent and incoherent spin dynamics on the femtosecond timescale in antiferromagnets.

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