

Candidate Statement

Chair-Elect, Division 3 — International Society of Electrochemistry

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I have served as a Vice-Chair of Division 3 since 2025, organised a symposium at the 77th Annual Meeting in Sydney and will do so again in Glasgow, and I serve the wider community as an Editor of *Applied Surface Science*. I know how this Division works, and I am asking to take on more of it.

My path has been deliberately international: I did more than half of my doctoral research at MIT, led a research group at The University of Osaka, and maintained active collaborations with twenty-three groups in nine countries across Asia, Europe and North America. Our field's laboratories, manufacturers and students are spread across every continent, and I am well placed to connect them to ISE and to one another.

If elected, I would bring three priorities to the Division's discussions.

A wider map. The Asia-Pacific holds the largest concentration of battery and electrolysis research and industry in the world. I would like Division 3 to be more present there, and that community to be more present in ISE.

A more open door. I would like it to be easier for early-career researchers to take an active part in the life of the Division, wherever they are based and whatever their circumstances allow.

A closer link with industry. Thirty-six industrial collaborations have taught me what companies need from fundamental electrochemistry. I would like the Division to be a place where that conversation happens more often, to the benefit of our science and of our graduates.

These are directions rather than decisions: how far each can go is for the Division and its officers to judge together. What I offer is the time, the networks, and the commitment to pursue them. Chair-Elect is a six-year commitment through Chair and Past-Chair; I intend to spend the next thirty years in this field, and I would like to spend part of them building Division 3.