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- International Year
- of the Periodic Table
- of Chemical Elements

### A Unique Opportunity

The Periodic Table of Chemical Elements is one of the most significant achievements in science, capturing the essence not only of chemistry, but also of physics and biology.

It is a unique tool, enabling scientists to predict the appearance and properties of matter on the Earth and in the rest of the Universe.

1869 is considered as the year of discovery of the Periodic System by Dmitry Mendeleev. 2019 will be the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Periodic Table of Chemical Elements!

2019 has been proclaimed the “International Year of the Periodic Table of Chemical Elements” (IYPT) by the United Nations General Assembly and UNESCO. It will be a worldwide initiative to highlight the importance of the Periodic Table in science, technology, and sustainable development of humankind.

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We invite you to join the celebration as a participant or as a sponsor. This could be as a general sponsor or as an exclusive sponsor of a specific event. To become a sponsor, please contact a co-chair, or IUPAC Executive Director, Lynn Soby at [lynn.soby@iupac.org](mailto:lynn.soby@iupac.org). For sponsors that wish to contribute for IYPT via partner organizations listed above please contact Jan-Willem Toering of KNCV at [jwt@kncv.nl](mailto:jwt@kncv.nl).

### Selected Cornerstone Events

Activity	Description	Timing
Opening Ceremony	Celebration of IYPT at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris, France	January 29, 2019
Opening Ceremony in Russia	Birthday of Mendeleev	February 8, 2019
Symposium in Murcia, Spain	International symposium “Women and Chemical Elements” dedicated to the International Day of Women & Girls in Science	February 11, 2019
5 <sup>th</sup> EuCheMS Inorganic Chemistry Conference EICC-5	Conference in Saint Petersburg, Russia	Summer 2019
Special symposium: The Periodic Table at 150	High profile symposium at IUPAC World Chemistry Congress in Paris, France	July 5-12, 2019
Periodic Tables for high school students in Africa	Personal size copies of the Periodic Table are to be distributed to high school students in Africa	During 2019
Closing Ceremony	Celebration of IYPT. Location to be determined.	December 2019

### Co-applying Scientific Organizations

