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Plenary Speakers

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Filip Du Prez finished his PhD research in 1996. After research stays in Lehigh University (USA) and Montpellier (France), he became head of the Polymer Chemistry Research group of Ghent University in Belgium with around 20 researchers focusing on three main topics: 1) 'Sequence defined polymers; 2) 'Dynamic and circular thermoset materials'; 3) 'Giving renewable polymers functionality'. In 2021, he

received a prestigious ERC advanced grant from the European commission for his research. He published around 370 reviewed publications, more than 10 book chapters, 15 patent applications and received more than 25 awards for his coworkers in the last 5 years. Since 2018, he is associate editor for the RSC-journal Polymer Chemistry. In 2021 he became RSC fellow and since 2023, he is member of the Royal Academy of Belgium for Sciences and Arts.

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