

“Let’s Build a Sustainable Future with Chemistry”

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The ACS President represents the interests of the 150,000+ Society members, providing a strong voice to help shape the ACS agenda and priorities. I am committed to this - truly listening to and understanding what is on YOUR mind. There are many challenges facing the US and the world today where chemists can have a significant impact on the possible solutions. I distill my thoughts on how to approach these challenges into a single word: sustainability - in its broadest sense, both ‘green’ and ‘ongoing’ - sustaining our members, sustaining the environment, sustaining jobs in the US and broadly in the field of chemistry, sustaining partnerships that allow the spread of technology developments worldwide, sustaining dreams in the eyes of our children. I believe we must focus our actions, within the tenets of the new ACS Strategic Plan, in four areas: Innovation, Partnerships, Education and Leadership. My expanded statement and more details about me can be found on my blog: <http://camartinacscandidate.blogspot.com>.

So, why vote for me? Over the past 20 years, I have engaged actively in many ACS local and national events and committees and I believe strongly in the ACS and its mission: “improving peoples’ lives through the transforming power of chemistry.” I have been both an active team member and a leader/mentor and I know how the Society works. My professional career has been varied and challenging, moving from lab bench to marketing, finance to management. Most recently I have had the opportunity to lead the Rohm and Haas Coatings business in Europe, Middle East and Africa, introducing innovative solutions with a significant focus on sustainability. This has been an amazing experience enhancing how I view the possibilities of broad partnerships and diversity of thought to bring new ideas to fruition. I ask for your vote!