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Prof. Dr.-Ing. Srećko Stopić is a specialist in nonferrous metallurgy, process engineering, and green chemistry. He currently serves as an Associate Professor at the Institute of Process Metallurgy and Metal Recycling (IME), RWTH Aachen University, Germany. His research interests include leaching processes, nanoparticle synthesis, chemical kinetics, and the environmental treatment of industrial waste.

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He is the author of over 250 scientific publications and six books. He has held visiting professorships at the Faculty of Technology in Zvornik and at Félix Houphouët-Boigny University in Côte d'Ivoire. In December 2024, he was elected Full Professor at the University of Belgrade, Serbia.

Prof. Stopić has received numerous awards in recognition of his academic achievements, including the Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellowship (2002), the Kaiserpfalz-Preis for Nonferrous Metallurgy (2012), and awards from the German Copper Institute and the German Associations of Miners and Metallurgists. He is also a multiple recipient of the MDPI Outstanding Reviewer Awards for the journals *Metals*, *Crystals*, and *Materials*, and was honored among the "10 Famous Serbian People" for his career achievements and contributions to Serbian science.