

## **EOS Board Election - statement of Ria Talukder**



I am Ria Talukder and I'm 27 years old. I did my first bachelors in Physics and the second one in Optics and Optoelectronics from the University of Calcutta. Currently I am a final year Master student in UEF. By June I will receive my degree. Soon I will start with my PhD.

Presently I am the student ambassador of UEF from Photonics department. In the year 2017 till 2018, I was the president of SPIE Student Chapter of University of Calcutta. During this tenure, I got recognition as a Face of Photonics and was featured in #FacesofPhotonics campaign of SPIE. Moreover, I represented our Student Chapter in SPIE Optics+Photonics conference in San Diego (2017).

In the year 2017, I joined Sakura Exchange program in Science, carried out under the framework of Japan-Asia Youth Exchange Program in Science, administered by Japan Science and Technology Agency.

Networking is an essential part of scientific development and I believe, creation of European Optical Society has given such a platform for all its members. If I am elected, I will definitely try to increase international collaborations and actively participate in the required activities.