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Rudolf Metselaar is an emeritus professor of the Eindhoven University of Technology in Eindhoven, The Netherlands.

He was born 30-06-1936 in Zaandam and studied at the University of Amsterdam and obtained a master degree in Physical Chemistry (summa cum laude) and where he received a Ph.D. in 1967 on a thesis "Infrared spectroscopy of solids".

From 1967-'76 he worked as researcher at Philips Research Laboratories in Eindhoven in the group Magnetism and Magnetic Materials and then was nominated professor in Physical Chemistry at the Eindhoven University of Technology until his retirement in 2001. From 1985-'98 Scientific director of the Centre for Technical Ceramics (a joint institute of the Eindhoven university and the TNO Institute of Applied Physics).

He published about 300 scientific and technical papers in the field of solid state chemistry and ceramic materials.

He is Honorary Member of the Netherlands Ceramic Society (NKV), while the American Ceramic Society (ACerS) awarded him as a Fellow and as Distinguished Life Member. He is Academician of the World Academy of Ceramics and received the Gold Medal of the Eindhoven University of Technology, the BP Energy Prize, and a Honorary Diploma of the Mexican Ceramic Society.

Rudi was the first president of the Society and organizer of the 1st International Conference of the ECerS. He received the Richard Brook Award and the Stuijts Award