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STUDIES AND INTERNSHIPS ABROAD ON BUT

The May issue of your favourite newsletter is here! We love having you back and we all hope you'll gonna enjoy this one at least as much as all the previous ones.

Our editorial board – as well as the whole Department of Internationalization – is super glad you've been having a great time with our past tips and we are also excited about this new batch of fresh ones.

And what is it that you might be looking forward to this time you ask? Well – there's plenty! Let's Eat Brno! segment introduces the world of local pastry, the Libraries show you their 3D printing facilities and our Student Ambassador Victory gets you her sports tips to enjoy Brno in the most active way possible and sweat out the exam stress once and for all.

And there's more: ESN shares some of their news, our colleague Simča shows you her travelling tips, Get to Know BUT introduces you to the famous and well-achieved alumni and there's also the popular App Tips segment that helps you get the smoothest Brno experience possible. The customary practical info and plenty of BUT news ahead too. 🕑

Have fun reading

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The Internationalization Team

-> Let's Eat Brno

The Russian author Fyodor Dostoevsky said: "There is not a thing that is more positive than bread." – and we couldn't agree more! So let's start in the most positive way and have a look at the best spots where to get the very best that the flour and yeast here in Brno have to offer!

1. Chleba Brno (Bratislavská 22)

There's no better place to start our little Brno bread trip than at a bakery called Chleba Brno (Brno Bread). Its founder Petr came up with the idea of opening his own shop years back when travelling in the US. He brought in Chad Robertson's Tartine bread – something that was very new to the Brno gastro scene – later added sweet products and viennoiserie stuff and danishes. Nowadays, you can visit their shop and get your favourite pastries to go as well as enjoy their delicacies with a cup of coffee or lemonade on the spot.

Tip: Try their flagship 100% pšenice bread.

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2. Carlini (Smetanova 12)

Genuine Italian experience in the middle of Brno? This is exactly what you're getting at Carlini. Their products honour the Italian breadmaking tradition as they use both original ingredients and techniques. Again, you can grab your shopping away or have it in there along with a nice cup of Italian coffee. Carlini also offers one of a kind shopping opportunity as there is no other place in Brno to get all those exotic flours, pestos and preserves, sweets, snacks, pastas, wines and whatnot.

Tip: Loupanino and Loupakoule are must try!

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3. Mama Stella (Kopečná 50)

Little Greek gem in the heart of Brno, home of sourdough bread, pigs in (croissant) blankets, cinnamon buns and delicious Greek pastries, this is Mama Stella. New A new cosy place popular among both locals and expats, this bakery has the potential to become your regular bread stop. You can bet their bread stays fresh for days (even though there's a high risk you're gonna finish this goody in one sitting). Plus, similar to the Carlini shop, Mama Stella offers a wide variety of Greek products to buy along with the bread that can help you create the utmost Ggreek-holiday experience in your very own kitchen.

Tip: To satisfy your sweet tooth and buy yourself their Nutella or Cardamom buns.

Not to miss:

- William Thomas (Josefská 2, Jaselská 2, Mozolky 2)
- Breadway (Josefská 16)
- Paneolit (Pekařská 435)
- Klásek (Hybešova 46)

So? Are you tempted enough to go and try some crunchy crusts? Have fun visiting more than half a dozen places and let us know which one was your favourite!

P.S. Wanna know the ice cream places in Brno we love the most? Stay tuned for the next issue, we'll take you for a scoop 🕑

- Average bread consumption in the CZ is around 40 kg per capita.
- Most popular Czech type of bread is wheat bread with caraway seeds.
- Serving bread and salt used to be known as a sign of the Slavic hospitality.
- Czech bread is exclusively leavened (both yeast and sourdough), there's no such thing as flatbread in czech cuisine.
- Daily bread production in the Czech Republic is about 1 million loaves.

-> ESN NEWS

The Erasmus Student Network's (ESN) biggest annual conference, the Erasmus Generation Meeting (EGM), recently took place in Bucharest, Romania. Over 900 participants from around the world gathered for the event, which aimed to bring together the Erasmus Generation, encourage intercultural dialogue, and provide opportunities for learning and sharing best practices. This year's main topic focused on skills, as 2023 has been designated the European Year of Skills. ESN is an ideal environment for developing skills, with opportunities ranging from organising events for international students to participating in training activities and conferences focused on the internationalisation of higher education.



The event kicked off with a stunning flag parade that showcased the values of ESN. Over 1,000 people marched with flags from different countries, regions, and ESN sections, creating an electrifying and unforgettable atmosphere. It was an opportunity for people to reunite with friends from other parts of Europe, and the meetings were wholesome, full of energy, joy, hope, and smiles.

Throughout the conference, there were individual sessions focused on various topics, including teamwork, burnout prevention, skills recognition, digital transformation, sustainable traveling, mobility accessibility, opportunities for ESN sections, and individual development. These sessions offered plenty of fruitful discussions and new ideas and I must say, we enjoyed it a lot.

In addition to the sessions, there was an EGM Expo fair that provided an opportunity to explore various universities in ESN countries and seek partnerships between ESN sections and educational institutions. There were also partners and institutions offering young people job opportunities or internships.

The cultural program included an International Dinner, which allowed participants to taste various cuisines from different countries. The Romanian dinner was full of delicious Romanian food, music, and dances. While waiting for the food, around 500 young people created a live chain running around, dancing, and clapping to energetic Romanian music, making the energy in the restaurant garden so intensive and joyful.

The last evening was dedicated to the Gala Night, which included the ESN Awards ceremony, where the best projects, ideas, activities, and programs of ESN were recognized and appreciated. It was a great way to get inspired by the achievements of others.

Overall, the Erasmus Generation Meeting was a significant conference for ESN, offering many outcomes and ideas for the improvement and future development of international education. It was also highly motivational for the members, including the 6 members of the delegation from ESN VUT Brno.



With yourself being a part of this great mechanism of BUT, there's no doubt this Uni is a cradle of excellence. In its 120+ years of existence, your alma mater has brought up hundreds of brilliant technical brains and we'd like to introduce some of our well-known, well-achieved and otherwise successful alumni.

Ondřej Chybík & Michal Krištof

Two architects, two Faculty of Architecture alumni, founders of CHYBIK + KRISTOFF ASSOCIATED ARCHITECT s. r. o., company based in Brno, Praha and Bratislava. These two gentlemen with truly extensive foreign experience authored amongst others the transformation of Brno Mendel Square and Zvonařka Bus Station, Czech Pavilion at Expo 2015 in Milan or beautiful South Moravian Lahofer Winery. They're also recipients of various prestigious awards such as Architecture Vanguard.

Čestmír Šimáně

The father of Czech nuclear physics, professor Šimáně was a physicist, publicist and educator who helped to found the Nuclear Physics Institute with the Czech Academy of Sciences. Former student of Nobel Prize laureate Frédéric Joliot-Curie, Šimáně himself worked as a teacher at the Nuclear Sciences and Physical Engineering Faculty of Czech Technical University in Prague, and later as a vice-director of the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research in Dubna, Russia.

Mirek Topolánek

Former Prime Minister of the Czech Republic, head of two cabinets between 2006 and 2009 is a BUT Faculty of Mechanical Engineering alum. As a PM, Topolánek led the country during Czech Presidency of the Council of the European Union in 2009. Since his political retirement, Topolánek currently works as a business manager as well as a political commentator for various media and also hosted his own talk show.

Slávka Vuletič-Donátová

Electrical engineer, photographer, avid sportswoman and feminist, Miloslava Vuletič-Donátová was the real pioneer of women's technical education who became the first European female with Master of Electrical Engineering Diploma in 1925. Two years later she was appointed a member of Škoda's board of directors after her family business, the electrotechnical company Bartlemus, Donát & Co. merged with the former one. Besides her industrial and scientifical activities, Vuletič-Donátová also founded Golf Club Brno and Czech Rowing Club in the 1930s.

Pavel Konzbul

Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Communication graduate and former electrical engineering researcher Monsignor Pavel Konzbul is the current bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Brno. Konzbul gained his doctoral degree with research focusing on electromagnetic field theory. As a clergyman, he mainly focuses on students, as he's worked as a spiritual director at Biskupské gymnasium in Brno and teacher at Faculty of Education of Masaryk University.

Czech this!

The 1st of May – the Time of Love

We believe you're all familiar with the concept of St Valentine's Day – the celebration of love, time to spend with your loved ones, and time to give and be given gifts, cards and chocolates.

Now (and those living in Czechia for some time already know this) we like to take our own twist on that and we celebrate love on the first day of May. Why is that?

It all started in 1836 when the Czech romantic poet Karel Hynek Mácha published his most famous piece, the lyrical epic poem May. The first two verses of this classic go: Late evening, on the first of May—The twilit May—the time of love. And since this poem's become a cult classic in its own way, Czech folks started to celebrate Love on May Day.

Even though it is definitely nice to endow your loved one with flowers and chocolates, the only true necessity is to give your partner a kiss under the blooming cherry tree. After all – what more does true romance need?!

Below you can read the first part of the poem in Edith Pargeter's translation and also check the link to the Czech band Support Lesbiens' song that sets the old bard's words to music

> Late evening, on the first of May— The twilit May—the time of love. Meltingly called the turtle-dove, Where rich and sweet pinewoods lay. Whispered of love the mosses frail, The flowering tree as sweetly lied, The rose's fragrant sigh replied To love-songs of the nightingale. In shadowy woods the burnished lake Darkly complained a secret pain, By circling shores embraced again; And heaven's clear sun leaned down to take A road astray in azure deeps, Like burning tears the lover weeps.

(the whole piece here: <u>www.lupomesky.cz/maj/may.html</u>)

<u>www.youtube.com</u>



Recognition of education

You are an international student. You have chosen Brno, you have chosen BUT, you have a high school/university diploma in hand and you are deciding how to proceed so that the university recognizes your education and you can start studying with us? Read what you have to do for it:

First of all, smarten up, if you are a student from Slovakia, Hungary, Poland, Germany or Slovenia - your proof of education automatically has the same value as education in the Czech Republic. Done.

If your home country is not in the aforementioned five, don't worry, we've got it covered!

BUT is essentially authorized to assess the foreign education of its applicants as part of the admissions process. This assessment shows whether the student fulfills the very conditions for study. Beware, however, the assessment itself is not a recognition of education.

You must apply for an educational assessment. First, you fill in the application form and send it

to your targeted faculty together with an officially certified copy of your education certificate. You will also pay the processing fee and, if necessary, supply other materials that the faculty may require of you (this is individual and varies from faculty to faculty). You will wait for the result of the assessment, which can be twofold: if you meet all the requirements, the document is accepted and you are golden. If the document has not been accepted, the faculty will invite you to submit the recognition of your education in the Czech Republic.

Here you need to fill in a different type of application, this time an application for recognition of foreign higher education. You send it together with the attachments by post to the address of the Chancellor's Office and pay the appropriate fee (you will also need to present proof of payment).

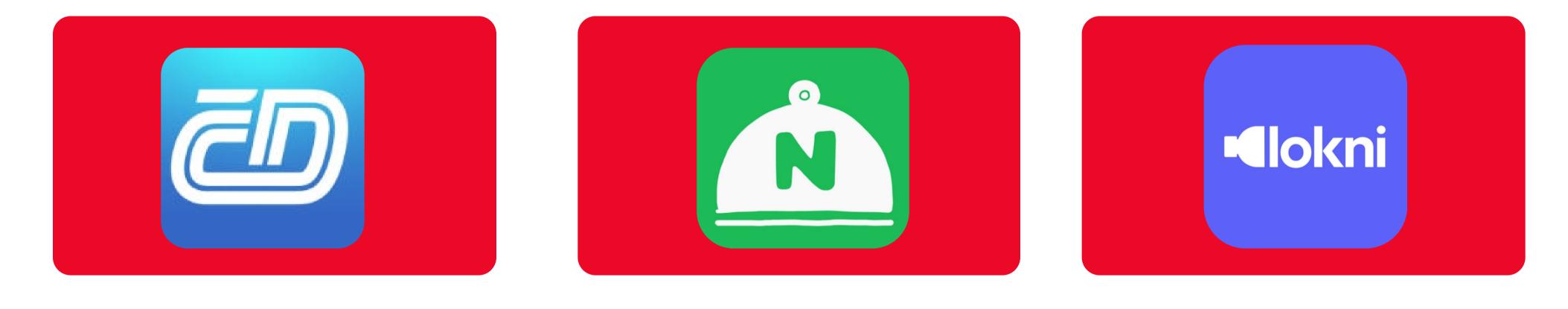
At this moment, it will still be necessary to verify the authenticity of the signatures and stamps on the documents in question. Of course, this is not ensured by the school, but by a state body (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, embassy, etc.), so you need to find out the rules that apply to your home country.

The whole process may sound complicated, but don't worry. Here you will find all the necessary information and contacts for people who will help you with the matter if necessary. If you have any questions about the process, do not hesitate to contact us.

Good luck with your nostrification!



The new batch of our favourite apps at your service:



Můj vlak

Můj vlak is this handy little app that works wonders for your travelling. It's been created by the national railway service company České dráhy and it helps you with planning your trip both online and off-line, sends you various types of notifications, allows you to buy your tickets within the app and even remembers your frequent routes so you don't have to waste your precious time looking things up.

Available for: iOS, Android Language:

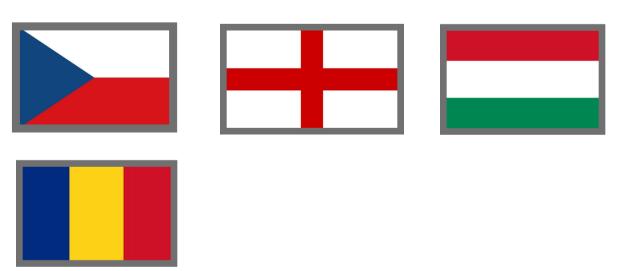


Nesnězeno

We all agree that the food waste is the true bane of our existence. What if there's (at least a partial) solution to it? Application Nesnězeno helps shops and restaurants cut down on wastage and shares the soon-to-be-expired, damaged, or another sad story that would be otherwise hard to sell for a fraction of its original price. Nesnězeno helps you discover new shops, cuisines, foods, and dishes and save the planet (and your money) in the process.

Available for: iOS, Android

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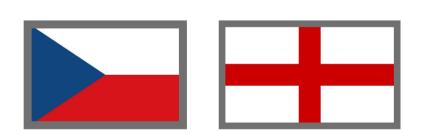


Lokni

Another app that combines an enviro-friendly approach with a whole range of perks is Lokni. Once you download and register in it, you can look up places throughout Brno to fill and refill your own reusable bottle. The water you get there is filtered and chilled, you can have it both still and sparkling and what's the greatest thing about this all? It's all for free!

Available for: iOS, Android

Language:





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Do not miss!

Ignis Brunensis

27. 5. – 21. 6. 2023

The world-famous fireworks competition that's being held for the whopping 26th time this year is one of The Events that is Brno famous for. You can see the vibrant creations of fireworks masters from all around the world accompanied by beautiful assorted music and visit Špilberk castle or Brno reservoir to get the first-row experience.

Noc kostelů

2. 6. 2023

Noc kostelů (The Churches' Night) is a unique event when the selected churches throughout the Republic open for the night and during that time offer a variety of interesting activities such as exhibitions, film screenings, concerts, and workshops. You are also more than welcome to attend the service and enjoy the festive atmosphere with your friends and take in the spiritual vibes that those places have to share.

Brno ZOO 70th Jubilee Exhibition

25. 5. - 10. 7. 2023

Brno ZOO at Mniší Hora has been open for an amazing 70 years. If you're an animal lover and also enjoy your fair share of history and some fun facts, go and visit this colourful expo that shows the humble beginnings as well as the lively present of this ageless institution. You'll also learn about the protection of endangered species and enjoy the educational activities that Brno ZOO focuses on.



Insta BUT

Hey! You know we go social here! Go and check out these Instagram accounts and follow them for getting us know even better S

This is us – the one and only official Instagram account the Department of Internationalization runs. Find our students' photos from abroad, information about studies abroad and some fun content too.

<u>@gointernationalwithbut</u>

Here comes the Rector's account! Look it up and follow to learn more about his office (and also not-so-office) life and have a peek at his musical skills as well.

<u>@ladislav.janicek</u>

Do you like to look at some beautiful snaps? We bet you do – what's the main purpose of the whole IG thing after all, right? @fotoklubtechnika account is full of those taken exclusively by our BUT photo enthusiasts.

@fotoklubtechnika

Student Ambassadors wanted

Dear students,

As you surely noticed, the current academic year has passed its first half and we are slowly but surely starting to focus on the admission procedure for the next year's first-year students. Here at BUT we believe that our students are the most important and essential part of our university. That's you who we're talking about, you are the body and soul of this institution. That's why we've started our International Student Ambassador community: creating a common place for people who share our values and are more than happy to spread them out. And - of course - to learn something new and have loads of fun in the process!

We'd like to invite you to join our ISA community. Be a part of something important. Be the one who makes a difference.

Be sure that becoming our ISA ambassador won't be time wasted: you can experience work within the international team, develop both hard and soft skills and get a great addition to your CV too. And most importantly, you can contribute to the overall development of the whole university.

If you are interested in joining the community, please contact Martina Halouzková (halouzkova@vutbr.cz) to get more information.

We are looking forward to hearing from you soon! Department of Internationalization Rectorate of Brno University of Technology

Ambassador's Diary

Stay Fit in Brno – Victory Jacques

1, 2, 3 and up! Let's begin the training!

You're a sportive person or you just want to have some fun with or without teammates?



Brno is meant for you.

Low budget sport:

Parks at every corner allow you to go for a short or long run. In case you dislike to run, you can walk ... promise nobody will be angry at you.

Around the dam lake, which has the nickname "Prýgl", in Bystrc district and where the dam lies on the Svratka river, you can freely swim, cycle, hike or ski and ice-skate in winter. You can even combine one of those activities with a barbecue or a nice picnic or a visit to the Veveří castle not so far away.

For the trekking friendly people who wants to discover Brno surroundings and enjoy the activities in a group, I would suggest joining the Facebook group "Call of the Woods Brno". They go for a hike almost every week and they have nice trails.

Call of the Woods Brno

If you're keen on faraway of the city, vineyards, infinite forests and crops will accompany you along the way. For this, you will have to pay for the train or bus as you are leaving zones 100/101 from the centre, but it's worth it.

If you're a student, then you have free sports available like football, basketball, dancing (different styles like Irish, and salsa is available), badminton, running, and all the athletics-related sports. You also have the possibility to practice more unknown sports like scuba diving and rowing which are quite beloved sports in Czechia for a very low amount of money depending on the equipment you decide to to rent etc....

Last, but not least, you can have access to a fitness centre with coaching which is very interesting for beginners, people lacking motivation or advanced sport people in need of professional advice.



Middle budget sport:

If you did not find your pleasure in the above-mentioned offers, then you are probably a hard nut and someone who already knows what, where and when and have some money in their budget.

For one-time offers, trials or a fixed amount of training sessions, go to slevomat.cz. They have a lot of nice offers and you could discover some sports you did not even imagine you could do here in Brno. Same on the website <u>https://gis.brno.cz/</u> where you just need to enter the sport you want to practice, the location, and then just go and train. The website is available in Czech for the moment, but hopefully, an English version will soon come out (and otherwise, Google Translate is a decent first understanding tool).

In the sports area of Komarov district (Hněvkovského 62c, Brno – Komárov, 617 00), you can practice in-doorindoor climbing. You also have the possibility for an arrow game or to have access to the skatepark. Otherwise, you have free access to basketball, football, handball, volleyball, tennis, and more where you just pay for the material location. The only trick is, it needs to be reserved in advance. The fitness centre is also there available there, but you will probably find one closer to your place and not more expensive.

Czech people are fond of biking, so if you already have a bike, then you can put it in the low budgetlow-budget category, but if you don't, then it is quite easy to find a second-hand or new bike at almost every corner of Brno in bike shops. Do not be afraid to ask, they know what they are talking about.

Higher budget or once for a try:

I'm coming back to Prýgl area, which also offers the possibility to rent a canoe or paddleboard and going along the Svratka. For the adrenaline and water lovers, you can do Kitesurf on the lake (www.kites.cz).

For the ones who need to sweat a lot or to feel safer, Krav maga, MMA, Ju-Jitsu, and all other martial arts are easy to find in Brno as well as Yoga, Pilates, and dance in private or in a small group. Special courses like 5Rythms or PortDeBras are also available, as well as almost any other imaginable sport.

Of course, there are a lot of other possibilities that are not listed or mentioned, but ilt's a good start for the beginning.

I hope the training session was a success for you and that you'll come back! See you soon for the next round.



3D printing in the FEEC library

The Library of the Faculty of Electrotechnical Engineering is situated on the campus at Technická 12. The library offers reference and information services five days a week not only to employees and students of the faculty but also to interested readers from the general public and professional communities affiliated with other educational institutions.

One of the most popular services for students is 3D printing. Students can print with three 3D printers. We offer two different 3D printing technologies - printing from the photopolymer resin on a Prusa SL1 printer and the fused filament fabrication technology on an Ultimaker 3 and Ultimaker S3. Models have to be prepared in the Cura program as a g-code. We are able to help and advise with modelling, and students can also consult the proper material and printing parameters.

Among new services there is also the sale of faculty promotional items, such as sweatshirts (hoodies), T-shirts, tin cups, etc. - all in the typical FEEC blue color with the icon of lightning. It is possible to pay in cash or by card.

The FEEC library provides a quiet study space for all students on the campus. There is also a possibility to reserve a study room with a whiteboard and a projector for student activities or study purposes, for instance lectures on information literacy. For example, we cooperate with Students for Students (FEEC students's club) and provide them with this space for their activities.







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BUT NEWS

The success of geodesy students at the international competition SVOČ 2023

The success of geodesy students at the international competition SVOČ 2023 On Thursday, 18 May 2023, the international round of the Student Scientific and Professional Activities Competition (SVOČ) 2023 took place. This year, the international round took place at the Faculty of Civil Engineering of the Czech Technical University in Prague. In the Geodesy and Cartography section, our faculty was represented by Bc. Martin Chladil and Bc. Adam Kocourek with their work 3D modeling of a historical building for BIM.

In the Geodesy and Cartography section, a total of seven competition papers were presented:

- 3D modelling of a historical building for BIM (Bc. Martin Chladil, Bc. Adam Kocourek BUT in Brno)
- Spatial data in the next dimension: 3D printing and GIS (Bc. Jakub Sperka, STU Bratislava)
- Comparison of GNSS measurement results using EGNOS and EDAS systems (Josef) Jehlička, CTU Prague)
- Testing of standard deviations of total station measurements with automatic targeting within a geodetic microgrid (Bc. Hana Váchová, Czech Technical University Prague)
- Elaboration of documents for a tourist guide in a selected region (Alžbeta Kavecká, ŽU Žilina)
- Assessment of the suitability of UAV data for the creation of a quarry base map (Peter Otruba, Žilina University of Technology)
- Arrangement of land ownership in Slovakia (Kristina Drdáková, STU Bratislava)

The first place went to our students' work on 3D modelling of a historical building for BIM. Within the work, a point cloud of the historical building of the rectory in Cetkovice was taken by laser scanning. Based on this point cloud, a BIM model of the rectory was subsequently created in Revit. From this model, not only the construction documentation was generated, but also the visualization of the interior and exterior with the addition of realistic PBR (reality-based rendering) textures.

Due to the large articulation and irregularity of this baroque building, the whole process of creating the model and subsequent visualisations was very time consumingtime-consuming. The students reported that this work took them more than a thousand hours!

We congratulate both of our students on their great success and wish them a successful completion of their state final exams.

WORKOUT, TENNIS COURTS open



The workout field and tennis courts are back in operation. Of course, it always depends on the current climatic conditions.

The workout is accessible during the opening hours of the Pod Palackého vrchem area.

The campus opening hours are shown here: <u>https://www.cesa.vut.cz/cesa/info/normy/ostatni-</u> <u>c-1-2017-provozni-doba-ve-sportovnich-a-telovychovnych-zarizenich-vut-v- brne-d211519</u>

Tennis court orders: <u>https://www2.cesa.vutbr.cz/pronajmy-sportovist</u>

Admission is governed by the current price lists: <u>https://www.cesa.vut.cz/cesa/info/normy/</u> pokyn-c-4-2022-cenik-najmu-a-telovychovnych-sluzeb-ve-sportovnich-zarizenich-vut-v-brned235222

The CEITEC PhD community welcomed new members

A total of 23 new students from 10 countries around the world were welcomed by the leadership and members of the CEITEC PhD Committee as part of the Advanced Materials and Nanosciences doctoral program, which is under the auspices of CEITEC Brno University of Technology. The welcome of the new students was divided into two parts. In the first part, the newcomers had to complete assigned tasks that tested their teamwork and creativity, among other things. In the second part, they were introduced to important individuals in their field of study.

The student-led CEITEC PhD Committee took care of the first part of the welcoming ceremony. Its chairman, Jorge Andres Navarro Giraldo, welcomed the new students to CEITEC Brno University of Technology and clarified the responsibilities of this "committee.". In general, the committee represents the interests of the students, provides support, strengthens the community, and organizes various events. It also accepts new members who want to get involved and influence the quality and nature of the study for themselves and future classmates.

After brief introductory presentations, the event moved on to a more active part. The students had to split into two groups and visit three stations located in each of the CEITEC Brno University of Technology buildings. In Building A, they tested their skills in an important component of their studies – making coffee. The second station in Building B was more scientific – guessing a microscopic sample. The third station involved a visit to the CEITEC Nano research infrastructure, with an explanation from the perspective of its user, Tomáš Lednický.

After completing the tasks, everyone returned to the foyer of the main building. All students introduced themselves and were greeted by the director of CEITEC Brno University of Technology, Radimír Vrba, the deputy director for science and research, Radim Chmelík, and the representatives of the department responsible for PhD students.

The Advanced Materials and Nanosciences doctoral program has over 145 students, with 55% of students coming from abroad. The CEITEC PhD School also includes a doctoral program focused on life sciences, which is under the CEITEC Masaryk University.

The best teacher according to the BUT student voting

Seize your opportunity to select up to three lecturers who taught you this academic year and vote for them!

Every full-time bachelor's or master's student at the BUT has the right to vote through a central information system.

The student selects the top three teachers from those who have taught them in this academic year, and ranks those too. The voting deadline is June 30.

The BUT management guarantees students that the information about which student chose which teacher is confidential.

The award ceremony will take place at the Academic Assembly.

The Rector of the BUT will award the two best teachers from each faculty (one for teaching at the Bachelor's level and one for teaching at the Master's level) and the one best teacher from the IFE (for teaching at the Master's level) and one best teacher from CESA (for teaching at the Bachelor's level).

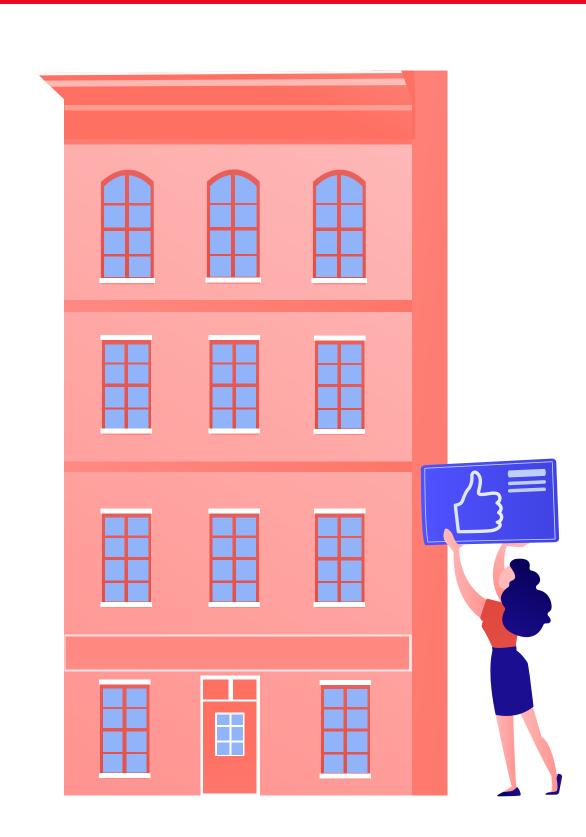
Summer mode at Halls of Residence

Check out from the dormitory:

If you check out from the dormitory any time from 1st June 2023 to 18th June 2023, your rent will be charged until the date of your check-out, not until the end of the month.

Summer accommodation 2023

During the summer months, capacity will be set aside for foreign students in the dormitories pod Palackého vrchem - building A03.



Term 1.6. - 14.6.2023: Submission of applications in electronic form for students already living in the dormitories.

Term 2.6. - 31.8.2023: Submission of applications in person at the accommodation department office (building A03, second floor, door 028) for students not living in the dormitories.

-> DISCOVER BRNO



With Brno being your new home away from home, getting to know your environment is always a good idea. We'd like to show you Brno's well-known spots as well as some hidden gems that our region has to offer.

Every month, we'll get you three tips: We'll introduce you to one of Brno's landmarks, show you what to do in Brno indoors, and take you out of the town to get to know the beautiful country of Moravia. Are you ready?

Kraví hora and observatory, rest under the stars

Kraví hora is a picturesque park that offers plenty of opportunities for relaxation near the city center. A substantial part of the hill is covered by a gardening colony, at the top there are the Brno Observatory and Planetarium with an interesting Science Trail with freely accessible attractions such as a 3D scanner, telescopes, a kaleidoscope, planetary scales, and more. The observatory's modern building houses 47 km of data transmission cables and 25 km of electrical power distribution. After buying a ticket, you can observe the starry sky using automatically guided telescopes, watch audiovisual programs in the planetarium or join interactive and experimental shows. You can find more information about the program at <u>www.hvezdarna.cz/.</u>



The slope below the observatory is used for relaxation, picnics, and sports. There is also a public grill and biotope lake nearby. Sports fans will find a handball court with a pub and behind it an exercise area for dogs. Right next to it is a sports and recreation area with indoor and outdoor pools, playgrounds, and beach volleyball courts. There is a beautiful view of a large part of Brno from the hill.

Veveří Castle and Brno Reservoir

Just 20 kilometers northwest of the center of Brno, you can find the majestic Veverí Castle. During its more than 800-year existence, the building changed its appearance significantly. The original apparently hunting lodge is now one of the largest castle grounds in the Czech Republic. You can see the castle on several different tours. It is possible to visit, for example, the suite of the Prince of Vasa, the son of the deposed Swedish king, furnished in the 19th century Empire and Biedermeier style, the exhibition of the Moravian Luxembourgers and their castle, whereas this family made Veveří an important fortress, treasury, and place of important diplomatic negotiations, or you can choose a historical development route that will take you through the castle from the cellars to the attics, clarify some terms from history and architecture, show you the housekeeping background of the castle from the time of the last owners, but also the Gothic rooms that have been preserved at Veverí. How to get there? By bus from the Bystrc Zoo station, cycle path from the dam, or by water from Přístavistě Bystrc the boat trip takes about an hour. Refreshments are available at the castle or visit the nearby Stará prádelna restaurant with pleasant seating. In June, the trip can be combined with the evening program organized as part of the Ignis Brunensis festival, when four fireworks shows will take place on the dam.



Windmill in Ruprechtov with a unique Halladay turbine

While most windmills in the Czech Republic make use of a large wooden wheel, the one in Ruprechtov in the Vyškov region boasts a so-called Halladay turbine, which makes it possible to effectively tilt individual blades in the direction of the wind. Thanks to this invention, the mill ground up to twice as much grain as a conventional mill. Halladay turbine, patented in the USA in 1854, is unique not only in Czechia, but also in Europe. Today, the turbine rotates at a height of 16 m above the ground, has a diameter of 10 m, and weighs about 2 tons. The mill was built in 1873 and reconstructed in 1994-1995.



It is located near the Moravian Karst - the Macocha abyss and caves, between Vyškov and Blansko, 35 km from Brno. Proponents of modern wind power plants can compare the historic wind engine in Ruprechtov with the most modern wind power plant in nearby Drahany or Protivanov. Although the mill is used as accommodation during the summer, the most valuable part of the mill - Halladay's turbine - is visible from the outside all year round. Also, all the important information about the mill is accessible on the roadside information board.

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