Location & Venue

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ENTIRE EVENT SHALL BE IN-PERSON. **Prague**

Prague is the capital and largest city in the Czech Republic, the 14th-largest city in the European Union, and the historical capital of Bohemia. Situated on the River Vltava in the north-west of the country, the city is home to about 1.3 million people, while its metropolitan area is estimated to have a population of 2.6 million. The city has a temperate climate, with warm summers and chilly winters.

Prague is home to a number of notable historical monuments, many of which survived the violence and destruction of 20th-century Europe. The main attractions include Prague Castle, Charles Bridge, Old Town Square with the Prague Astronomical Clock, the Jewish Quarter, Petřín hill and Vyšehrad. Since 1992, the broader historical centre of Prague has been included in the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites. Its rich history makes it a popular tourist destination, ranking Prague the fifth most-visited European city after London, Paris, Istanbul and Rome.

For further information see <u>https://www.prague.eu/en</u>.



Charles University

Charles University was founded by Charles IV, King of Bohemia and later Holy Roman Emperor, on 7 April 1348, making it one of the oldest universities in the world. It was the first university in Central Europe. Originally it had four faculties: theology, liberal arts, law and medicine. It was modelled on the universities in Bologna and Paris, and within a short time it achieved international renown.

Currently, the University consists of 17 faculties (14 in Prague, one in Pilsen and two in Hradec Králové) and with its nearly 50,000 students and around 1300 accredited degree programmes, it is the biggest university in the Czech Republic. The most prestigious international charts rank Charles University among the top 2% of universities worldwide and among the top 100 European universities.

Charles University participates in a number of joint programmes with prestigious European and overseas partners and has entered into over 3,000 interinstitutional agreements (Erasmus+) and more than 200 international partnership agreements with universities from all over the world. The University is also a member of a number of international organizations, such as the Coimbra Group, EAIE, EUA, Europaeum, LERU, UNICA, and others.



Hall of Patriots

Originally the university library, the hall acquired its name thanks to the Royal Bohemian Society of Sciences, which had its seat here from the end of the 18th century. The walls carry busts of prominent figures in Czech science and a portrait of President T. G. Masaryk.

