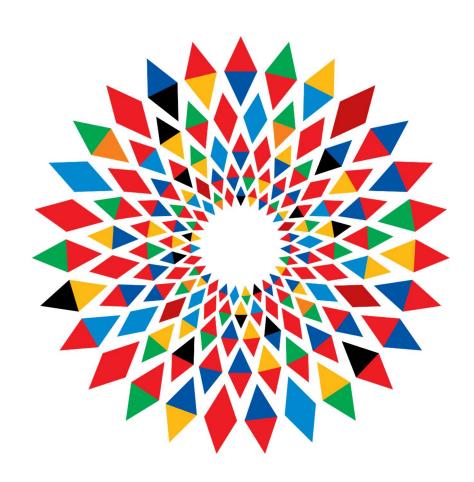
Practical Information Note

ESPON Seminar

Prague, Czech Republic

7th and 8th December 2022



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Czech Presidency of the Council of the European Union



General information

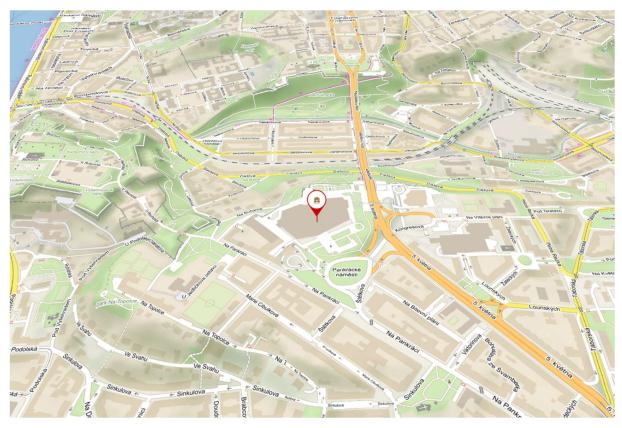
The Czech Republic will hold the Presidency of the Council of the European Union between 1 July and 31 December 2022. ESPON Managing Authority and the Czech Presidency is delighted to welcome you to Prague for the **ESPON Seminar**.

For your visit, the Czech Presidency of the Council of the European Union has the pleasure to convey the following practical information. Please note that all information may be subject to change, in which case it will be communicated by the Presidency in due time.

Venue

The meetings will be held at Prague Congress Centre, 5. května 1640/65, Prague 4, entrance no. 5.







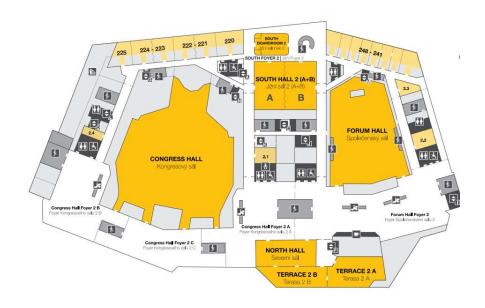


Zoom in for detail or use this <u>link</u>.

The plenary sessions will be held in the **Forum Hall** (*Společenský sál*). Accompanying workshops will be held in **North Hall** (*Severní sál*) and **Teracce 2A** (Terasa 2A).

All the rooms are located on the second floor.

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Registration

Once you have registered via ESPON website, you will receive an invitation from the accreditation system within a few days. If not, please let us know so we can send it to you.

We kindly ask you to register for ESPON Seminar at your earliest convenience via the accreditation system, but no later than **19 November 2022**.

For those who will participate at MC meeting or ECP meeting please register to all meetings **separately**.

All participants will receive a badge, which will be issued to delegations by the organisers on arrival at the venue. All participants must wear their badges visibly at all times during the meetings.

If you lose your badge, please notify the organization team **immediately**.

All personal information provided during the accreditation will be processed only in accordance with General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) obligations mentioned in the CZ PRES GDPR Memorandum, which can be found on the Presidency website and the accreditation system itself.

Only accredited delegates will be able to access the meeting venue.

Interpretation

Please note that the meeting will be held in English and interpretation in Czech will be provided only in the main meeting room – **Forum Hall** (*Společenský sál*), which is situated on the second floor.

Transportation

The Presidency will not provide any transportation to and from the airport for the meeting participants. We will provide you with two free all-day tickets for public transport at registration desk.

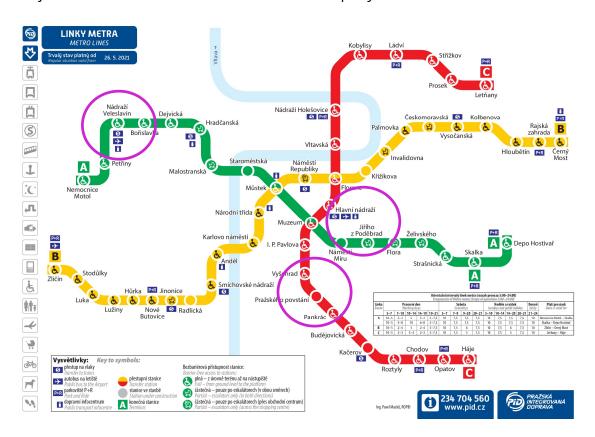
How to get to the venue from Vaclav Havel airport (PRG)

From the airport, take bus number 119 to the final stop "Nádraží Veleslavín". At the stop "Nádraží Veleslavín" change to the green metro line A in direction "Depo Hostivař". Change to the red line C at the metro stop "Muzeum" in direction "Háje". The venue is situated near the metro stop "Vyšehrad".



How to get to the venue from Central Railway Station - Hlavní nádraží

From the Central Railway Station "Hlavní nádraží" take the red metro line C in direction "Háje". The venue is situated near the metro stop "Vyšehrad".



Public Transport Network

Prague's integrated public transport system (PID) is a very complex mass transit system.

The basic transfer ticket for an adult costs 40 CZK and is valid for 90 minutes. For shorter distances lasting no more than 30 minutes you need to pay 30 CZK for a ticket. A tourist ticket valid for 24 hours costs 120 CZ and a 3-day-ticket is for 330 CZK.

All information about Prague´s transport services (including route planner) can be found on the <u>Prague Public Transport website</u>.

Taxi Service Providers

You will find two main taxi service providers: FIX TAXI and Taxi Praha at the airport. Sales counters of taxi service providers are located in the Terminal 1 and 2 Arrival Halls. More information you will find on the following link: https://www.prg.aero/en/taxi



Taxi fares are approximately 40-50 CZK per km (plus starting rate about 60 CZK). The distance from the airport to the venue is about 16 km and transport time is estimated to 30-40 minutes.

By car

The Prague Congress Centre is adjacent to the North-South Prague City Expressway – follow the road signs for Kongresové centrum Praha

GPS: 50.062112,14.428886

<u>Parking is available</u> in the Prague Congress Centre's underground car park, or above ground on the southern side of the complex.

Accommodation

The delegates are responsible for booking accommodation on their own.

The Ministry of Regional Development has pre-booked some hotels for self-paying guests. The capacity of hotels is limited, and these hotels are listed on the following link: Ministerstvo pro místní rozvoj ČR - Accommodation (mmr.cz)

Evening Programme – National Technical Museum, 19:30

Participants are invited by the Czech EU Presidency to cultural event with a buffet dinner in the National Technical Museum the first day of the ESPON seminar starting at 19:30.

The <u>National Technical Museum</u> in Prague is the largest institution dedicated to preserving information and artifacts related to the history of technology in the Czech Republic. The museum was founded in 1908 and has extensive collections documenting the development of many technical fields.





Guests will have free access to all museum exhibitions. The museum now presents centuries of ingeniousness in 14 permanent exhibitions and some shorter-term exhibitions, among others in the collections of Transportation, Architecture, Astronomy, Measurement of Time, Chemistry, Mining, Photographic and TV studio, Printing, Metallurgy.

During the event, <u>Jaroslav Svěcený</u>, violin virtuoso, will perform "Dreams of Violin" and Lucie Tóth will accompany him on the piano.

A reception for guests will be prepared in the museum area, some of the dishes will be prepared in front of the guests as a small culinary show.

Warning - to enter the premises of the National Technical Museum it is necessary to present a badge from the ESPON Seminar!

Venue

The evening programme will be held at the National Technical Museum, Kostelní 42, Prague 7.



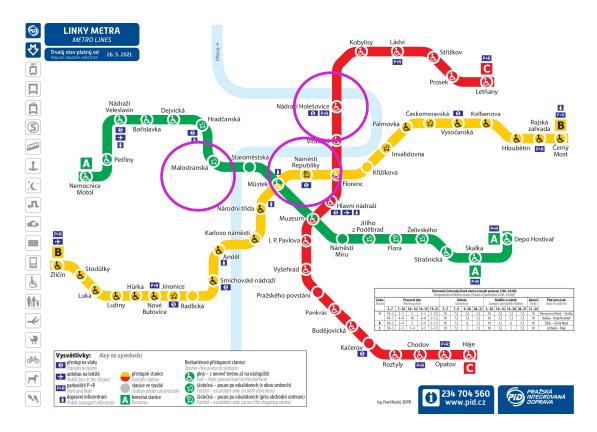


Transportation

The Presidency will not provide any transportation from Prague Congress Centre to the National Technical Museum and back to the hotels.

How to get to the venue – National Technical Museum

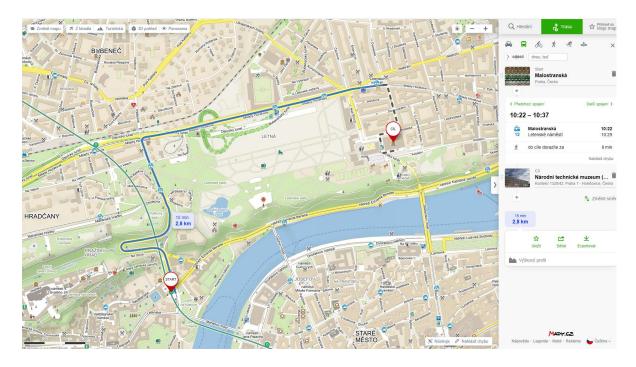
There are several options how to get to the National Technical Museum by tram.



<u>From the city centre on the left side of Vltava River</u> we recommend taking the tram no. 12 from the tram stop "Malostranská" and get off at the stop "Letenské náměstí". The venue is located a 3-minutes' walk from the tram stop.

The tram stop "Malostranská" is on the green metro line A.





<u>From the city centre on the right side of Vltava river</u> we recommend taking the tram no. 8 or 26 from the tram stop "Náměstí Republiky" and get off at the stop "Letenské náměstí". The venue is located a 3-minutes' walk from the tram stop.

The tram stop "Náměstí Republiky" is on the yellow metro line B.





<u>From the Seminar Venue</u> (Prague Congress Center) take the red metro line C in direction "Letňany". Change to the tram at the metro stop "Nádraží Holešovice". Take tram number 1 or 25 and get off at the stop "Letenské náměstí". The venue is located a 3-minutes' walk from the tram stop.



Wi-Fi

A free Wi-Fi access will be available for all participants in the venue.

Practical information

Smoking is prohibited in all public indoor areas.

Emergency number: 112

Country code: Czech Republic (CZ) +420

Currency: Czech crown, for actual exchange rates please see the Czech National Bank website (approx. 25 CZK/EUR)

Electricity: The voltage in the Czech Republic is 230V, 50 Hz

Tap water: Czech tap water is regularly tested for quality and is safe to drink.



COVID – 19 measures

Effective April 9, 2022, the Czech Republic has suspended all COVID-19 related entry restrictions for travellers. Travellers to the Czech Republic are no longer required to complete a Passenger Locator Form, provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination or prior infection, etc. All participants should observe basic hygiene measures during the Informal meeting (hand hygiene, respiratory hygiene). In accordance with current Czech antiepidemiological regulations, respirators are voluntary in all areas.

In case of worsening of the epidemiological situation, changes in preventive measures will be notified in advance. Current information on measures within the Czech Republic can be found on the COVID Portal website.

Additional information



We are looking forward to meeting you in Prague.

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