
Practical Information

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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.

Climate

Prague has a typically European continental climate with cold, snowy winters and warm (sometimes wet) summers. November usually brings chilly weather.

The average minimum temperature (usually the minimum temperature is noted during the night) in Prague in November is 2.0 °C (35.6 °F). The average maximum daytime temperature lies around 7.0 °C (44.6 °F).

Time

The Czech Republic is on Central European Time (GMT+1). From April to October, Central European Summer Time is used (GMT+2).

Currency

The official currency of the Czech Republic is the Czech crown (*koruna*), abbreviated as Kč, with the international abbreviation CZK.

The approximate value of 100 CZK is 4 EUR / 4.5 USD.

You can check current exchange rates at [KURZY](#) .

Since it is an official currency, the Czech crown is used for payments. However, many shops, restaurants as well as tourist centres accept Euros. But please be aware that any change due for payment in Euros will be given in Czech crowns.

Electricity

Type E power sockets are used in the Czech Republic. The electrical network in the Czech Republic operates at 230 V and uses 50 Hz frequency.

Tap Water

Tap water is good and perfectly safe across the country, although in some small towns, the chlorine odour can be quite strong.

General Visa Information

Since 2007 the Czech Republic has been a member of both the European Union and the Schengen area.

Citizens of EU countries can freely enter the Czech Republic

Citizens of the US, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Israel, Japan and many other countries can stay in the Czech Republic for up to 90 days without a visa. Other nationalities should check current visa requirements with the Czech embassy in their home country prior to departure.

The Czech Republic is a member of the EU's common border and customs area, the Schengen Zone, which imposes its own 90-day visa-free travel limit on visitors from outside the EU. In practice, this means your time in the Czech Republic counts against your stay within the Schengen Zone as a whole – plan your travel accordingly.

Insurance

The organizers do not accept responsibility for individual medical, travel or personal insurance. All participants are strongly advised to arrange insurance cover before travelling to the conference.

Telephone Services and Emergency calls

The international dialling code of the Czech Republic is +420 (00420).

Universal European emergency number: 112

Fire brigade: 150

Police: 158

Ambulance: 155