

PRESS RELEASE

Prague Presents New Event Venues and Expects More to Follow

1st April 2025 Prague – Meetings Prague expanded last year with several newly opened event venues, which can be used for both small private events and large congresses and conferences. At least five more additional projects are due to be completed in course of this and next year. Together, the new premises will offer a total capacity for at least 6,500 persons, offering a thousand newly constructed hotel rooms. However, the newly built or reconstructed facilities will not only serve event organizers, but they will also boost cultural and gastronomic activities for local residents.

For Events, Culture, Leisure, and Gastronomy

Since the beginning of 2024, several new venues have been added to the Prague meetings scene, thus complementing the wide range of existing event options. *"One of the most important is certainly the reconstruction in the **Prague Exhibition Grounds**. Although we will have to wait over a year for the works on the Industrial Palace to be completed, the Exhibition Grounds already offer many new elements,"* says Roman Muška, Director of the Prague Convention Bureau, which represents the meetings industry in Prague, adding: *"In the summer of 2024, the **green roofs of the newly renovated Křižík Pavilions** were opened, followed by the presentation of the renovated premises of **the Nová Spirála (New Spiral)**. **Theatre** in the autumn. Together, these spaces will offer a capacity of up to 4,500 persons."* In the immediate vicinity of the Exhibition Grounds, renovations of two other separately managed premises are underway. In the summer of 2025, the **Prague Planetarium is due to reopen**, which, after renovation, will boast new LED dome technology, which will place it among the most modern planetariums in the world. The facilities will also be available for private events rental offering a total capacity (including an outdoor terrace) for up to 700 persons. *"In about a year after the selection of the finishing works contractor, a long-delayed opening of the **Šlechta Restaurant (Šlechtova restaurace)** in the Royal Game Reserve (Královská obora) is also expected. After the reconstruction, it should offer three gastronomic facilities, and also an outdoor promenade and gazebo for events,"* adds Roman Muška.

The company Výstaviště Praha, a.s. also operates the **Holešovice Market Hall** (Holešovická tržnice), which is currently undergoing an extensive reconstruction. However, already at the end of 2025, visitors and event organizers will be able to look forward to major improvements, such as the renovated premises of the most magnificent building in the Holešovice Market Hall, the former Slaughterhouse Exchange, which Zátíší Group will transform into a restaurant with a capacity for 300 guests called Burza. The catering company Ambiente, which plans to open a restaurant and a branch of the Myšák confectionery in the area by the end of 2025, will also have its presence at the market. A new addition to the gastronomic and event scene is also the largest **Mexican restaurant** in the country, opened in March this year by the Together gastro alliance near the market itself, and which, in addition to three kitchens, will offer seats for up to 300 guests. Event organizers and lovers of Michelin-

starred cuisine should also not miss **Restaurant 420**, which since January 2024 offers a capacity of 200 seats in the heart of the city: in the House at the Red Fox at Old Town Square.

In the unconventional environment of Prague's main railway station, an Art Nouveau event gem has opened after reconstruction. After an ambitious renovation, two Art Nouveau halls, which previously served as restaurants and waiting rooms for passengers, were reopened in the **Fanta building** at the beginning of 2024. The halls can host congresses and conferences with a capacity of almost 600 persons. The Fanta and Column Halls are complemented by a small lounge for 20 guests and the Foyer Café, which, unlike the halls, is also open to the general public. *"However, Fanta's building is not the only new space with a railway theme. After reconstruction, a former train station building was opened in Prague's Bubeneč district under the name **Station 6**, now serving primarily as a bistro and community venue for locals. However, it also offers the possibility of rental for smaller events of around 200 persons,"* adds Roman Muška.

Events Interactively

Along with traditional event spaces, Prague also boasts those that include interactive elements. In addition to the already mentioned upcoming opening of the Prague Planetarium, event organizers can also choose the recently opened **Mozart Interactive Museum** in Malá Strana (Lesser Town) for their event. The interactive exhibition will allow you to take advantage of state-of-the-art technology and look into the life and works of the musical genius W. A. Mozart, who repeatedly stayed in Prague. The museum premises are also available for private events. *"We will wait until 2027 for another interactive space, when the **Hydropolis** educational centre should open on the premises of the former Vinohrady Waterworks. In addition to the educational exhibition in the water tank and water tower, the complex will also offer a water park open to the public, a viewing point and a café with a meeting hall for 160 delegates,"* explains Roman Muška.

Prague Hotel Scene Expands with Thousand New Rooms

The Prague meetings industry will also receive new capacities thanks to several hotels, which will not only offer a thousand new rooms, but also additional meeting facilities. *"Last year, meetings Prague **grew** expanded with two major hotel projects. After a long-term renovation, the former Art Nouveau Grand Hotel Evropa – now **W Prague** – was opened on Wenceslas Square with a total capacity of 161 rooms and another three rooms suitable for smaller social events for up to 50 persons. A completely new development venture was the construction of **The Cloud One** hotel near Masaryk Railway Station. Since summer 2024, it offers a total of 382 rooms and two event spaces, including a rooftop bar with a terrace for up to 160 guests,"* says Roman Muška.

Three more hotels are planned to open in 2025. This spring, first new guests will be welcomed in the **Fairmont Golden Prague Hotel** (former InterContinental Hotel) with 320 rooms and residences, six restaurants and bars, a spa, and conference facilities with three original C-Suites, and a conference hall that can accommodate up to 600 persons. At the end of March 2025, the **Sir Prague** Hotel will offer its capacity of 76 rooms near the Dancing House. *"The last announced and long-postponed project is the introduction of the hotel complex in Železná Street, now under the name **Akroterion**.*

After the reconstruction, the hotel should offer about 100 luxury rooms, a restaurant, a spa, and also new conference facilities," concludes Roman Muška.

About Prague Convention Bureau

Prague Convention Bureau (PCB) is a non-profit organization established in 2008. The company acts as an official representative of the Prague congress tourism and promotes the city as a one of the European leading congress destinations. Together with Czech tourism bodies, partners and members the PCB offers effective assistance in organizing conferences, meetings, seminars, exhibitions and incentive events in Prague.

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