

# Newsletter

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## Introductory word

However unlikely it seems to many of us because of being very busy, the academic year has come to its end. The fact that you are reading the last issue of the Newsletter in this semester is a solid proof of that. While preparing the Newsletter we have always tried to bring you as much information about events at the faculty as possible.

Before many of us leave for a well-deserved vacation, there is time to evaluate recent events, and to celebrate and get together. Because our Faculty has achieved excellent results in the past academic year, the Dean would like to invite everyone to the POSPOS gathering. It will take place on Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 pm on Holice campus. There will be buses arranged to depart from the Envelopa building to Holice at 12:45 pm, 1:15 pm, and 1:45 pm and back at 3:30 pm, 4:00 pm and 4:30 pm for whoever is interested. While listening to live music and tasting great food you will have the perfect opportunity to forget all the hustle of state exams, entrance exams, graduation ceremonies and other duties, and to cherish the time spent by socializing with your colleagues and students. If interested, you may visit both research centers in Holice – CRH and RCPTM. You may find the invitation to POSPOS [here](#).

Even though life at the Faculty does not stop even in the summer, you will be able to read the next issue of the Newsletter in the fall. Until then we wish you a beautiful summer!

## Science and Research

### ❑ Finding expedition leader of Neuron

Neuron Fund for Support of Science will again sustain Czech scientists in realization of research expedition this year. An author of the winning project will be rewarded with CZK 250 000. Individuals and teams can submit their proposals for research expedition by 31<sup>st</sup> August. Winner will be selected by a jury composed of scientists and media representatives.

The first project of a scientific expedition was selected by an expert jury in the year 2014 and thanks of the financial award this expedition „Hydrogeological survey Hranice abyss in Moravia“ is being realized this year.

### ❑ Falling Walls Lab 2015

Falling Walls Lab 2015 International competition will be held in Prague for the first time this year on 17<sup>th</sup> September. Students, young scientists, employees and entrepreneurs as well can submit their application to the competition by 28<sup>th</sup> August. Participants will present their original idea, a research project or a model within three minutes of their competition time. The winner will get a chance to travel to

Berlin to present his/her vision within the global final round and to attend the prestigious Falling Walls Conference and meet famous personalities from the field of science and politics. The deadline for submitting application is **28<sup>th</sup> August**. More information can be found [here](#).

#### ❑ **Practical summer school for projects in science and research**

During the three-day practical course you will learn about the system of science and research financing and also you will get the knowledge needed for high-quality preparation and management of projects financed from public funds. This course will be held in Liberec, you can choose from two dates, 14<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> July and 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> August. The interactive course is based on professional lectures, real case studies and practical tasks. Participants will have the opportunity to prepare a project proposal as well as to try the role of project evaluator. The cost of the summer school is fully covered for Doctoral study program students and young scientists under 34 years of age. The price of the course for other participants is CZK 2000. You can register by sending an email at [ltc@vuts.cz](mailto:ltc@vuts.cz). The capacity of the course is limited. For further information please write an email at [magdalena.soumarova@vuts.cz](mailto:magdalena.soumarova@vuts.cz).

## **F**or Students

#### ❑ **Information about registration into higher years of study programs**

Students are obliged to submit checked and signed Registration list A and completed and signed Registration list for the next academic year 2015/16 in order to register. We kindly request students to put all the required documents in an envelope, and insert them into the white box in front of the Department of Study or post them but only after all their learning results are recorded in STAG system. After submitting Registration list A it is no longer possible to make any records to STAG.

#### ❑ **Graduation Ceremony**

Graduation ceremony of all graduates will be held on **23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> June**. We kindly ask students who will complete their studies by taking a state final exam and wish to participate in graduation ceremonies to come to Department of Study immediately after state examinations and confirm their presence at the graduation ceremony. Graduation schedule is posted on the website of the faculty. Graduation fee is CZK 500 and can be paid using a money order (blank order is available at Department of study) or a bank transfer. The account number is 19-1096330227 / 0100, payment reference number is 99310031. Write a word “Graduation” in message for recipient, please. In both cases of payment please send a scanned copy of the proof of payment to the relevant employee at the Department of study.

❑ We kindly request students of Doctoral study programs to deliver their student evaluation signed by the supervisor to Department of Study **by 30<sup>th</sup> June**. It must include Registration list for new academic year 2015/2016.

❑ We kindly request **the first year students of Doctoral study programs** to check whether they have registered all of their exams in STAG and have fulfilled an obligation to acquire at least 40 credits. Please make sure that apart from student evaluation signed by the supervisor and Registration list for new academic year 2015/2016 you shall submit signed specification of your dissertation thesis at the same time.

## **I**nternational Matters

#### ❑ **The Biomania Student Scientific Meeting 2015**

A one-day conference organized by Masaryk University and a student organization Biomania is designed for students of Bachelor, Master and Doctoral study programs whose scientific work is connected to the field of molecular biology and genetics. Active participants can present their research results and test their presentation skills in a relaxed, informal atmosphere. The Conference will be held in the premises of

the Brno Observatory and Planetarium on **22<sup>nd</sup> September**. Active participants shall complete their **registration by 31<sup>st</sup> July**, passive participation shall **register by 31<sup>st</sup> August**. Don't hesitate with your registration, the number of participants is limited. The conference will be held in English. Click [here](#) for further information.

### **Czech Space Day 2015**

Czech Space Office together with the Faculty of Electrical Engineering is organizing **Czech Space Day 2015 Conference**. This conference is open to all students and young people interested in astronautics. Attendees will gather information about the study programs, job internships, competitions, projects and other activities in the Czech Republic and abroad. They will also have the opportunity to present their own projects and ideas and get to know other young people with the same interest. The Conference will be held **at the Faculty of Electrical Engineering in Prague on 3<sup>rd</sup> July from 2:00 p.m.** For further information please write an email at [kunes@czechspace.cz](mailto:kunes@czechspace.cz).


### **Czech Space Competition 2015**

Czech Space Office and its partners Space Generation Advisory Council, Gisat and Serenum have announced a competition designed for students from 18 to 26 years of age. Participants shall send a short professional article related to astronautics and present it at the Czech Space Day 2015 Conference. The most successful candidate will win return air tickets, accommodation and two conference fees for the International Astronautical Congress and the Congress of SGAC in Jerusalem, Israel, which will be held **from 8<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> October**. The deadline for submitting applications is **28<sup>th</sup> June**. For further information please write an email at [kunes@czechspace.cz](mailto:kunes@czechspace.cz).

### **Summer school of statistical methods**

Students of Doctoral study programs or academic staff can participate in summer school where they can learn easier ways to work with data either for their research, evaluation of experiments, dissertation theses or even for teaching statistics. The course will be held traditionally **in Brno from 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> August**. Final year students and recent graduates can also participate at last year's novelty **Summer School of Lean Design and Design for Six Sigma**, a short and intense practical training on the slender design of new and innovative products. It will be held **from 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> August**. For further information about both courses please contact Martin Halva, cell.: +420 604 760 628.

## **F**aculty Operation

 As of 1<sup>st</sup> July Petr Nádvořník has been entrusted with handling hazardous chemicals and chemical preparations classified as highly toxic at the Faculty of Science. Dr. Nádvořník has replaced Dr. Robert Pucek in this responsible position. We would like to express our gratitude and thanks to dr. Pucek for his work.

### **Parking your bicycle in Holice**

A new temporary "parking lot" for bicycles with a capacity of 26 parking spaces has been set up on Holice premises. You can find it between the gatehouse and building no. 53. Lack of parking spaces for bicycles will be finally solved during construction of new infrastructures next year. Bicycles parked in the temporary parking lot will be under constant supervision of janitors. We kindly request our employees to stop parking their bikes in corridors or outside of restricted area where they disrupt the fire escape routes and zones.

### **New collection point for electronic waste**

A new collection site for WEEE will be in operation on Holice premises starting next week. It is intended for dispose of large household appliances (TVs, computer monitors, copiers), small household appliances, information technology and telecommunications equipment, consumer equipment (excluding solar panels), lighting equipment, electrical and electronic tools (except large stationary industrial tools), medical devices (with the exception of all implanted and infected products), instruments for monitoring

and control, regardless of the date on which the instruments has been placed on market. It is even possible to postpone things like fluorescent lamps, used cartridges and toners, accumulators and batteries at this place. Asekol a.s. provides the collection of waste under the contract with our University Asekol company. All materials and devices listed above shall be delivered via HelpDesk and upon an agreement with the maintenance staff of Department of Technical Support at the gatehouse of the collection site behind the building no. 54.

- ❑ Please note the changes in operating hours and closing of university canteens in the summer months. The schedule can be found [here](#). If you need to change the order of Cheque Dejeuner meal coupons for July due to the closure of operation inform the respective employee at your department **by 24<sup>th</sup> June**.
- ❑ **English language courses for employees and students of doctoral study programs**  
Department of Foreign Languages of the Faculty of Science offers English courses for employees of the Faculty of Science and Ph.D. students in the winter term 2015/16. Find the complete list of available courses in [Attachment no.1](#).
- ❑ **Czech for foreigners**  
Department of Foreign Languages at the Faculty of Science is opening a **new language course “Czech for foreigners”**. The course is **free of charge**. **All foreign staff and Ph.D. students at the Faculty of Science** are welcome to learn the basics of Czech grammar and everyday communication. The course will take place in room LP 1.030 (17.listopadu 12) every **Monday from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.** starting on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September. If you are interested, contact the course lecturer **Mgr. Helena Kadlecová** at [helena.kadlecova@upol.cz](mailto:helena.kadlecova@upol.cz). Click [here](#) for further information.

## Miscellaneous

- ❑ With effect from 29<sup>th</sup> May Ministry of Education Youth and Sports has registered XI. Change in the Statute of UP and III. Change of the internal wage regulation UP.
- ❑ **Opportunity to play sports**  
Faculty staff and their family members may use the court on Holicke premises. The area meets standards for most ball games; you can borrow a net for tennis, volleyball and foot-tennis. Keys from the sport field are constantly (including weekends) at the gatehouse, where you can reserve game time.
- ❑ **The next Newsletter** will be released on **25<sup>th</sup> September**.
- ❑ **As of 11<sup>th</sup> June 2015 the following provision of PU came into effect:**  
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