

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

NUCLEAR DAYS 2026

● 9. 9. – 15. 10. 2026

16th year

Venue

University of West Bohemia
Bory Campus

Date

9 September – 15 October 2026

Patronage granted

- Minister of Industry and Trade, doc. Ing. Karel Havlíček, Ph.D., MBA
- Rector UWB, prof. RNDr. Miroslav Lávička, Ph.D.
- President of The Engineering Academy of the Czech Republic, doc. RNDr. Vojtěch Petráček, CSc., FEng.
- Governor of Pilsen region, MUDr. Kamal Farhan

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9. 9. 2026 / Conference day 1

9.00–10.00 Nuclear breakfast – meeting of participants, opening of ND 2026

International conference

„Nuclear Energy – Path to Europe’s Energy Self-Sufficiency“

Venue: Faculty of Applied Sciences, UWB

Language: Czech/English (simultaneous translation)

10.00–10.30 Introduction

- prof. RNDr. Miroslav Lávička, Ph.D. – Rector of the University of West Bohemia
- guarantor of ND 2026 – Ing. Jan Zdebor, CSc. (UWB/FME)

Introduction moderated by Mgr. Kamila Kolářová (UWB/FME).

10.30–13.00 Lectures/panel discussion

„Nuclear Renaissance in Europe – Reality or Vision?“

Prospective participants:

- PhDr. Tomáš Ehler, Ph.D. MBA – Director of Department of Nuclear Energy Ministry of Industry and Trade Czech Republic
- Ing. Jan Barták, Ph.D. – President, NucAdvisor (France)
- Mgr. Štěpán Kochánek – Chair of the State Office for Nuclear Safety
- Mgr. Vít Stehlík – Executive Partner, White & Case Praha
- Mgr. Kamil Blažek – Partner, Kinstellar, s.r.o.
- JUDr. Zuzana Krejčíříková – Director for Public Affairs, ČEZ, a.s.
- JUDr. Ing. Marek Dlouhý – Deputy Chairman of the Board, EGAP
- Ing. Roman Zdebor – EDF Nuclear Czechia Branch Director

Lectures/panel discussion moderated by Mgr. Jan Žižka, analyst and publicist.

13.00–13.30 Award ceremony of the student poster sessions

- doc. Ing. Petr Eret, Ph.D. – Chair of the evaluation panel, UWB/FME

13.45–14.00 Opening of the exhibition (FME/UWB lounge)

- PhDr. Tomáš Ehler, Ph.D. MBA – Director of Department of Nuclear Energy Ministry of Industry and Trade Czech Republic

14.00–15.00 Lunch (FME/UWB lounge)

15.00–16.30 Plenary Roundtable I: „Czech Republic in Nuclear Europe“

- guarantor: Ing. Ladislav Havlíček, Ph.D. – Director of the Nuclear Energy Department, Ministry of Industry and Trade Czech Republic

Prospective participants:

- Ing. Ladislav Havlíček, Ph.D. – Director of the Nuclear Energy Department, Ministry of Industry and Trade Czech Republic
- Ing. Petr Závodský – Chairman of the Board of Directors and Director General, EDU II, a.s.
- Ing. Alois Míka – KHNP advisor
- Ing. Karel Vinkler, MBA – Director of Strategy, ČEPS, a.s.
- Ing. Lucie Židová, Ph.D. – Director of Nuclear new build projects division and Member of the Board of Directors, I&C Energo a.s.
- Ing. Jan Vybulka, MBA – Member of PAS and Director of the Slovakia Division, ŠKODA JS a.s.
- JUDr. Daniel Procházka – Chief Operating Officer & Sales Director, Doosan Škoda Power, a.s.
- Péter Karpáty – CEO of MVM EGI

Plenary Roundtable moderated by Mgr. Jan Žižka, analyst and publicist.

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16.30–16.45 Coffee Break

16.45–18.30 Plenary Roundtable II: „Modular Reactors and New Technologies“

– guarantor: Ing. Silvana Jirotková – Director of SMR Development, ČEZ, a.s.

Prospective participants:

– Ing. Jan Barták, Ph.D. – President, NucAdvisor (France)

– Ing. Jan Jílek – manager of quality, safety and permitting – SMR Development Department

– Ed Coxon – Senior Business Development Manager, Rolls-Royce

– Ing. Andrej Žiarovský, MBA – Director for Development and International Operations, VÚJE, a.s. (Slovakia)

– Ing. David Harut, Ph.D. – Director of Strategy and Business Development, ÚJV Řež a.s.

– Ing. Josef Kotrba – Executive Director SEČR

– prof. Ing. Radek Škoda, Ph.D. – UWB/FEE

Plenary Roundtable moderated by Ing. Daneš Burket, Ph.D., Research Center Řež s.r.o.

End of the first day of the conference.

The conference is being streamed on YouTube, and questions during the roundtable discussions can also be submitted online.

GALA DINNER

19.30–22.00

**Gala dinner
for the conference
participants**

**Na Spilce
U Prazdroje 7, Pilsen**



10. 9. 2026 / Conference day 2

9.00–11.00

Plenary Roundtable III: „New Experts for the Nuclear Future“

– guarantor: Ing. Jan Jiříčková, Ph.D. – UWB/FEE

Prospective participants:

- Jan van der Lee – Executive Director, I2EN (France)
- Ing. Jana Kalivodová, Ph.D. – President of ENEN, Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic
- Ing. Ondřej Novák, Ph.D. – CTU/FNSPE/Department of Nuclear Reactors; Czech Nuclear Society Young Generation
- prof. Wacław Gudowski – KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm (Sweden)
- prof. Juyoul Kim – KINGS (Korea)
- Ms Helena Zhivitskaya, Ph.D., MBA, Eng. – IAEA, Vídeň (Austria)
- Ing. Adéla Chalupová – Nuclear Power Plant Operator, Temelín NPP, ČEZ, a.s.
- Mgr. Josef Kaňkovský – Strategic Recruitment, ČEZ, a.s.

Plenary Roundtable moderated by Ing. Jana Jiříčková, Ph.D., UWB/FEE.

11.00–11.30

Coffee Break

11.30–13.30

Plenary Roundtable IV: „Operational Reliability and Safety of Nuclear Facilities“

– guarantor: Ing. Zdeněk Čančura, Ph.D. – Director of NPP Quality Management Department, ČEZ, a.s.

Prospective participants:

- Ing. Jiří Hajdík, Ph.D. – Manager of NPP Special Processes Department, ČEZ, a.s.
- Ing. Jan Wandrol – Director of Integrity and Technical Engineering division, ÚJV Řež, a.s.
- Ing. Matěj Skubík – Senior Sales Manager, Framatome
- František Krček – General Director ČEZ ENERGOSERVIS, spol s r.o.
- doc. Ing. Jindřich Liška, Ph.D. – UWB/FAS
- prof. Ing. Zdeněk Peroutka, Ph.D. – Chief Executive Officer, RICE UWB/FEE + CANUT II
- prof. Ing. Ludmila Kučerová, Ph.D. – Head of Department, UWB/FME

Plenary Roundtable moderated by Jiří Hajdík, Manager of NPP Special Processes department, ČEZ, a.s.

13.30–14.00

Coffee Break

14.00–16.00

Plenary Roundtable V: „Decommissioning and the Back End of the Fuel Cycle“

– guarantor: RNDr. Lukáš Vondrovic, Ph.D. – Director, Radioactive Waste Repository Authority

Prospective participants:

- Ing. Pavel Suk, Ph.D. – ALVEL, a.s.
- RNDr. Roman Jakubec – JAVYS, a.s. (Slovakia)
- RNDr. Igor Slaninka, Ph.D. – JAVYS, a.s. (Slovakia)
- Mgr. Martin Eliáš – SÚRAO
- Ing. Radek Trtílek – Strategic Procurement Manager for Radioactive Waste and Decommissioning, ÚJV Řež, a.s.
- Ing. Václav Svoboda – Head of the Construction – Development Department, ŠKODA JS a.s.

Plenary Roundtable moderated by RNDr. Lukáš Vondrovic, Ph.D., Radioactive Waste Repository Authority.

END OF CONFERENCE

The entire **NUCLEAR DAYS 2026** event is accompanied by a 5-week exhibition installed in the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering UWB, featuring the participation of numerous companies from the Czech Republic and abroad. During the exhibition, thematic lectures along with a competition for high school students are taking place.

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