



widerAdvance Facility Study Visit

From Research to Impact:

Learning from Prague's Innovation Ecosystem

9–10 February 2026 | Prague, Czechia

PROGRAMME & PROFILES OF HOSTING ORGANIZATIONS

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AGENDA

9 February 2026 Arrival of participants and hotel check-in		Venue
from 11:30	Registration of participants	National Library of Technology (NTK) – Basement, Entrance NTK Nr. 3 / Night Study Room, Technická 2710/6 www.techlib.cz/en/
11:45 – 12:20	<i>Optional:</i> Tour through the National Library of Technology (NTK) - services for researchers and companies	
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch	
13:00 – 15:00	Introductory Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome by Petr Očko, Director, National Library of Technology • Welcome by Katarzyna Walczyk-Matuszyk, Coordinator of <i>widerAdvance Facility</i>, Deputy Head of Centre for EU funded projects, IPPT PAN & presentation of <i>widerAdvance Facility</i> • R&I Ecosystem in Czechia – Jana Soukupová, Technology Transfer Services, NTK & Vojtěch Kadlec, Co-CEO, UNICO • <i>Getting to Know Each Other</i> – facilitated by Jana Lachmann, Project Manager, UNICO 	NTK – Educational Centre, (entrance through reception at NTK entrance Nr. 3)
15:00 – 15:45	Transfer to the city centre (by public transport)	

16:00 – 17:45

Site Visit: Charles University

Short presentations followed by a World Café format

- **Tomáš Vokáč**, Manager of Kampus Hybernská - HYB4City, **Helena Tůmová**, Programme Coordinator, *Kampus Hybernská*
- **Ivo Svejkský**, Head, *Centre for Knowledge and Technology Transfer (CPPT UK)*, **Nikola Minks**, Patent Specialist, *CPPT UK*
- **Jiří Plecítý**, Chief Commercial Officer, *Charles University Innovations Prague (CUIP)*
- **Adéla Jiroudková**, Head of Research Support Office incl. European Centre
- **Michal Andera**, UniStarter, Institute of Entrepreneurship, University of Economics

Kampus
Hybernská,
Hybernská 4

www.kampushybernska.cz/en

Moderation: **Michal Andera**, Institute of Entrepreneurship, University of Economics

18:00 – 20:30

Dinner

Hybernská
Restaurant,
Dlážděná 1003/7
www.restauracehybernska.cz

10 February 2026

08:45

Meeting of participants

at the hotel **reception of Vienna House by Wyndham Diplomat Prague**, Evropská 15, Prague 6

& Departure by bus to Dolní Břežany (bus departs from [this place](#): <https://maps.app.goo.gl/eMs2gTYvQrSQsV5W7>)



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10:00 – 12:30	Site Visit: Laser Centres of the Czech Academy of Sciences <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELI Beamlines – Aleš Hála, Head of Innovation Group • HiLASE – Sanin Zulić, International Business Development Manager 	Dolní Břežany
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	Dolní Břežany, Olivův pivovar restaurant
14:00 -15:00	Return by bus to Prague	
15:00 – 17:00	From Lab to Market – Interactive Workshop with Case Studies Vojtěch Nosek and Vojtěch Kadlec , Co-CEOs, UNICO	NTK- Educational Centre
17:00 – 17:30	Study Visit Wrap-Up – facilitated by Jana Lachmann , Project Manager, UNICO	NTK- Educational Centre
18:30	Walk to the Prague castle and the Strahov monastery (<i>about 50 minutes</i>) Meeting at the hotel reception of Vienna House by Wyndham Diplomat Prague	Brewery at Strahov Monastery, Strahovské nádvoří 301
19:30	Dinner at Strahov Monastery	www.klasterni-pivovar.cz



Profiles of host organisations

Charles University

Founded in 1348, Charles University is the oldest and largest university in the Czech Republic and one of the oldest in Europe. Today it hosts 17 faculties with a strong research profile, broad international cooperation, and degree programmes taught in Czech and English.

More information: <https://cuni.cz>

- **Centre for Knowledge and Technology Transfer (CPPT) & Charles University Innovations Prague (CUIP)**

The Centre for Knowledge and Technology Transfer (CPPT) supports technology and knowledge transfer across all 17 faculties of Charles University. CUIP, the university's innovation company, commercialises academic results and fosters collaboration with industry. Together, they form a key pillar of Charles University's innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem.

More information:

<https://cppt.cuni.cz/CPPTNEN-1.html>

<https://www.cuip.cz/en/>

- **Kampus Hybernská**

Kampus Hybernská is a dynamic urban platform jointly run by the City of Prague and Charles University. It connects science, innovation, the arts and education through lectures, debates, cultural events, and creative workshops, fostering collaboration between academia, the public, and the cultural sector.

More information: <https://www.kampushybernska.cz/en>

- **European Centre Charles University**

The European Centre supports EU-funded research and education projects by advising on grant opportunities and proposal preparation, and by helping teams manage projects after award. It also coordinates Charles University's engagement in EU initiatives, including the 4EU+ European University Alliance.

More information: <https://ec.cuni.cz/ECEN-1.html>

Czech Academy of Sciences

The Czech Academy of Sciences is the leading public research institution in the country, comprising around 60 institutes across natural, technical, life and social sciences. It focuses on both fundamental and applied research and



provides advanced research infrastructure serving the national and international scientific community.

More information: <https://www.avcr.cz/en>

- **HiLASE Centre**

The HiLASE Centre is a research and development facility of the Institute of Physics of the Czech Academy of Sciences. It focuses on developing advanced laser technologies that connect scientific excellence with industrial applications. Its research is centred on diode-pumped solid-state and high-power thin-disk laser systems used for precision manufacturing, micromachining, and surface processing.

More information: <https://www.hilase.cz/en>

- **ELI Beamlines**

ELI Beamlines is a large-scale research infrastructure of the Institute of Physics of the Czech Academy of Sciences and part of the European Extreme Light Infrastructure (ELI). It operates some of the most powerful laser systems in the world, enabling frontier research in high-field physics, laser-matter interaction, and applications across materials science, biology, and medicine.

More information: <https://www.eli-beams.eu>

- **EDIH Brain4Industry (B4I)**

The European Digital Innovation Hub Brain4Industry (B4I) supports Czech industrial companies in adopting digital and smart manufacturing technologies. Hosted by the HiLASE Centre of the Institute of Physics of the Czech Academy of Sciences, B4I connects research and industry through testbeds, expert consulting, and technology transfer. It focuses on areas such as artificial intelligence, digital twins, robotics, and high-tech laser applications, helping businesses increase competitiveness and accelerate innovation.

More information: <https://www.brain4industry.cz/en>

National Library of Technology (NTK)

NTK is the largest technical library in the Czechia. It provides access to a vast collection of scientific and technical literature, supports open science and innovation, and serves as a key hub for students, researchers, and professionals in science and technology.

More information: <https://www.techlib.cz/en>

UNICO.Analytics, s.r.o.

UNICO is a Czech innovation consultancy that bridges the gap between science and business. The company supports research organisations, startups, and public institutions in commercialising scientific results and developing

deep-tech ventures. Its team combines expertise in IP, business validation, and technology transfer to help transform research into real-world impact.

More information: <https://www.unico.ai>



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