



The official conference web page:
<http://ag-cas.cuni.cz>

WELCOME TO PRAGUE

We hope that Prague, the host city of this conference, will provide all participants a good basis for a scientific as well as a cultural and social experience. We believe that you will find its atmosphere as inspiring as have found it many visitors in its new and old history.



CONFERENCE SITE

The meetings will take place at the Faculty of Civil Engineering of the Czech Technical University. The address is Thákurova Street 7, Praha 6 – Dejvice, close to the metro stop "Dejvická" (green line A)

REGISTRATION

Registration & Information desk will be open in the main building of the Faculty of Civil Engineering **on Monday afternoon, September 20, 2004 from 15:00 to 18:30**. There will be also an opportunity to register on Tuesday, **September 21, 2004 from 08:15**. The registration/information desk will be open during the whole conference program and will help you to solve all matters connected with your stay in Praha.

We strongly recommend the participants to register during Monday afternoon, when the registration desk is supposed to be more vacant and all the problems could be settled without stress. On Tuesday morning the official conference programme starts **at 9:00**.

PAYMENTS

All participants have already received as an attached file the (pdf) document "**Review of payment and confirmation of reserved accommodation**" which indicated their financial obligations to the conference organizers. You should use your PIN-code for a good orientation in the review. All financial problems (overpayments, payments due) have to be settled at the registration desk after arrival. Payment is possible in cash, i.e. CZK, USD, EUR, in Travellers' Cheques, personal cheques and by VISA, Diners Club, JCB, American Express and Euro/MasterCards.

A written **Confirmation on Payment** could be arranged on request by the organizers on site.

All payments by bank transfer, which were not sent **free of bank charges to the receiver** as well as the payments by **cheques** are debited by the bank charges. The charges should be covered at the registration desk. On request we are ready to make you a copy of the corresponding bank statement.

You should pay for all your ordered services (fees, accommodation, dinner, tours,...) at the registration desk directly to ICARIS Ltd. In the hotel you will pay only for your extras (parking, bar, phones, internet, etc) only.

LANGUAGE

English will be the official language of the conference. No translation service will be provided.

COMPUTER AND INTERNET CENTRE

A conference computer centre with access to the internet will be available to the participants, in connection with printing facilities. See information board on site and follow our arrows.

COFFEE BREAKS

Coffee and tee will be served during the morning and afternoon coffee breaks (according to the program).

LUNCHESES

Lunches are not included in the conference fee and it is necessary to order this service in advance. Participants who have already ordered their lunches, will receive "Lunch Vouchers" in their conference materials. Lunches will be served in the student's canteen.

POSTERS INSTRUCTIONS

Posters will be displayed in the "Atrium", the central entrance hall of the Faculty of Civil Engineering. The space assigned to a poster is 1,5 m (width) x 1,2 m (height). General guidelines for preparing posters:

Legibility: The poster should be readable from a distance of at least 2 meters

Heading: A heading label including the title, author name(s), and the primary author address should be included. The recommended lettering size is 2 cm.

Titles: All figures and tables should be titled

Displaying a copy of a manuscript as a poster is not acceptable.

Please, DO NOT USE SELF-ADHESIVE TAPES or Velcro which will not work. Pins will be available at the site.

Please contact Dr. Martin Solc for more information (martin.solc@mff.cuni.cz).

PROGRAMME

A preliminary programme will be distributed separately by Dr. Martin Šolc (martin.solc@mff.cuni.cz).

PROGRAM AND SPLINTER MEETINGS

Preliminary time schedule and programme are attached to the Last Announcement. Updated programmes of splinter meetings can be found at the web pages:

A: Formation of Stars and Planets - Günther Wuchterl, Jena, and Eike Guenther, Tautenburg

Contact: G. Wuchterl, personal WWW-page <http://www.astro.uni-jena.de/~wuchterl/AG2004Formation>

B: The Formation of Massive Stars - M. Nielbock and R. Chini, both Bochum, Th. Henning, Heidelberg, K. Menten, Bonn, J. Palous, Prague, and H. Zinnecker, Potsdam.

Contact: chini@astro.ruhr-uni-bochum.de nielbock@astro.rub.de, <http://www.astro.rub.de/ag2004>

C: Active B-Stars - Th. Rivinius, Heidelberg, S. Stefl, and J. Kubat, both Ondřejov, D. Baade, Garching.

Contact: T.Rivinius@lsw.uni-heidelberg.de, <http://www.lsw.uni-heidelberg.de/users/triviniu/AGPraha/>

D: Astrophysical Turbulence - Ralf Klessen, Potsdam, and Christiane Helling, Leiden.

Contact: helling@strw.leidenuniv.nl, <http://www.aip.de/~ralf/AG>

E: Dense Stellar Systems - Old and Young - Modest-Konsortium (Modelling Dense Stellar Systems - Globular Cluster Network):

Spurzem, Athanassoula, Boily, Capuzzo-Dolcetta, Davies, Giersz, Gilmore, Grebel, Heggie, Klessen, Kroupa, Piotto, Portegies, Zwart and Šubr.

Contact: spurzem@ari.uni-heidelberg.de, <http://www.ari.uni-heidelberg.de/agprag>

F: Evolution of Galaxies - Bodo Ziegler, Göttingen.

Contact: bziegler@uni-sw.gwdg.de, http://www.uni-sw.gwdg.de/~bziegler/AG2004_splinter.html

G: Galaxies in Interaction - Susanne Hüttemeister, Bochum, Werner Zeilinger and Christian Theis, both Vienna

Contact: theis@astro.univie.ac.at, <http://www.astro.univie.ac.at/splinterAG>

ACCOMPANYING MEETINGS, LECTURES etc.



This meetings and lectures will be held in the building of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic

Address: **Národní Street 3, Praha 1, 3rd floor, conference room No. 206 (or 205).**

The building of Academy is situated near the National Theatre almost in the historical centre of Prague. The nearest underground stations of lines A and B ("Národní třída", "Václavské náměstí") are within a walking distance (5 min). Parking places on the streets are very limited here, but the underground parking at the National Theatre is usually free; the gateway is behind the theatre building.

EXCURSION FOR THE WORKING GROUP HISTORY OF ASTRONOMY

Sunday, September 19, 16:00

Meeting point: Old Town Square (Staroměstské náměstí), Praha 1, at the **Astronomical Clock**

Guided **excursion for the Working Group History of Astronomy**, that will continue at 19:00 in the restaurant "U knihovny", Velešlavínova Str. 10, Praha 1 (near the Municipal Library and Clementinum)

WORKSHOP "ASTRONOMY IN AND ABOUT PRAGUE"

Monday, September 20, 9:00 - 17:00 – Room No. 206

Working Group History of Astronomy: **Workshop "Astronomy in and about Prague"**

The news can be found also on www page of Gudrun Wolfschmidt <http://www.math.uni-hamburg.de/spag/ign/events/ak04prag.htm>

PRESS CONFERENCE

Monday, September 20, 10:00 - 11:00 – Room No. 205

Press conference of the Czech Astronomical Society and of the Astronomische Gesellschaft at the occasion of the beginning of a joint scientific conference “**From Cosmological Structures to the Milky Way**”

PUBLIC LECTURES

Wednesday, September 22, 18:00 – 20:00 – Room No. 206

Public lecture (in Czech) on **Lunar Cartography**

by **Ing. Antonín Růkl** (Planetarium Praha), winner of the **Bruno H. Bürgel Prize** of the Astronomische Gesellschaft

Thursday, September 23, 14:00 – 17:00 – Room No. 206

Public lectures of Czech Astronomical Society prize winners (in Czech)

14:00 – **Ing. Jana Tichá** (Observatory and planetarium České Budějovice), **Zdeněk Kvíz Prize winner:**
“**Boulders, hairy stars and KLENOT**” (in Czech)

15:30 – **RNDr. Zdeněk Ceplecha, DrSc.** (Astronomical Institute, Academy of Sciences of CR), **Fr. Nušl Prize winner:**
“**Snapshots of meteors**” (in Czech)

ASTRONOMICAL SEMINAR FOR TEACHERS

Saturday, September 25, 9:00 - 13:00 (in English and Czech) – **Room No. 206**

MEET PEOPLE

The Welcome Party will take place after registration on **Monday, September 20, 2004**, from 18.00 till 21:00 in the Atrium of the Faculty of Civil Engineering. The party is included in the conference fee.

HOW TO REACH the Welcome party from the Academy of Sciences at the Narodní Street

Take the tram from the National Theatre (**not** in the direction across the river) and get off at the next stop “Národní třída”. Take the underground (yellow line B), change the line at the station called „Můstek“ (the walking distance from the building of the Academy to the metro station “Můstek” is approx. 10-15min.) and get off at the terminal “Dejvická”. Now it is within a walking distance

The Festive Dinner

The Festive Dinner will take place on Wednesday, September 22 from 7. 30 p.m. in the **Mucha Restaurant** (address: Melantrichova 5, Praha 1, www.restaurant-mucha.cz). You will receive a voucher in your conference materials at the registration desk after your arrival.

HOW TO REACH the Mucha Restaurant from the conference site (see the map on the info-poster at the registration desk)

Take the underground from the station “Dejvická” (green line A) and get off at the station called „Můstek“. Use the exit in the direction “Na Příkopě or Staroměstské náměstí”. The walking distance from the underground is about 5 minutes.

TOURS

Due to the lack of interest all tours had to be cancelled. **In the case you have already paid for a tour, you will get your money back at the registration desk.** You can buy a tour individually downtown at one of plenty travel agencies.

EXCURSION ASTRONOMICAL PRAGUE

This tour is planned for **Tuesday afternoon**. The price is 100 CZK. The registration for this excursion will be possible on site also. For more information see the information poster in the registration area.

EXCURSION ONDŘEJOV OBSERVATORY

This tour is planned for Friday afternoon. The price is 300 CZK. The registration for this excursion will be possible on site also. For more information see the information poster in the registration area.

TRANSPORT IN PRAHA

Airlines

<http://www.czech-airlines.cz>

Convenient airline connections exist between Prague and all European and most of the world capitals. A flight schedule of the Czech airline company CSA could be found on this web page.

Buses and trains

<http://www.vlak-bus.cz>

Information on the bus and train connections is available on this web pages both in Czech and English languages.

Public Transport in Praha

<http://www.dpp.cz>

Public transport connections (metro, buses, trams).

Underground, bus, and tram

Prague is a compact city (at least from the sightseeing point of view) with a very good public transport system. The underground (metro) runs three lines from 5:00 to midnight. The trams and buses run on a similar schedule. During the night special night trams and buses operate.

Tickets:

The same kind of tickets is used on metro, tram and bus. You cannot purchase tickets in the trams or at the tram stops (however, there are some exceptions); you have to buy them in advance at the tobacconist's or at the metro stations. On the contrary, in the buses an additional sale of tickets is possible. When you board the tram (bus) punch a ticket (validate it) using a yellow box near the entrance doors. Do the same at the entrance of metro stations.

The price of a **no-change ticket** is **8 CZK**. This ticket is valid for 15 minutes only. In the underground, this ticket enables you to change from one underground line to another, but it is valid for the distance of 4 stations only.

The price of an **ordinary ticket** (with free changes among underground, bus, and tram lines) is **12 CZK** (an additional sale in buses 15 CZK). This ticket is valid for 60 minutes only, on night routes and on Saturdays and Sundays the validity is extended for 90 minutes.

It is also possible to buy a **short-term season ticket**, e.g. in the metro entrance halls of some main stations (no photo needed): a 1-day ticket (70 CZK), a 3-day ticket (200 CZK), a 7-day ticket (250 CZK), or a 15 days ticket (280 CZK).

Taxi:

The price is about 22 CZK for 1 km plus an initial charge 30 CZK, but the prices are not fixed and can differ considerably. Ask for approximate price in advance – there is a danger of being overcharged. According to our information you may pay for a drive from the airport to the conference site a maximum of 350 - 400 CZK. The airport of Praha is about 15 km from the city centre. You may order for example a taxi service AAA Radiotaxi individually on the phone number 14014 or the phone number 222 333 222.

ACCOMMODATION

Hotel / Hostel	Address	Phone Numbers: +420 (Czech Republic)
Crowne Plaza	Koulova Street 15, Praha 6	296 537 111
Denisa	Národní obrany Street 33, Praha 6	233 340 224
Penzion U 1. Baterie	U 1. baterie Street 1, Praha 6	224 315 434
Krystal	José Martího Street 2, Praha 6	220 563 411
Masarykova kolej	Thákurova Street 1, Praha 6	234 678 232
Zlatá Praha	was cancelled due to reconstruction	

HOW TO REACH your hotel from the airport “Praha – Ruzyně”

CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL

Take bus No. 119 and get off at the stop “Dejvická”. Walk to “Vítězné náměstí”, there take tram No. 8 and go to the last stop called “Podbaba”(about 25 minutes).

DENISA

Take bus No. 119 and get off at the stop “Dejvická”. Your hotel is within a walking distance from here (about 20 minutes).

PENZION U 1.BATERIE

Take bus No. 119 and get off at the stop “Dejvicka” Here change to tram No. 2 and get off at the stop “Baterie”(about 40 minutes).

KRYSTAL

Take bus No. 119 or 179 and get off at the stop „Divoká Šárka“. Here change to tram No. 26 and go to the stop “Nad Džbánem”(about 20 minutes).

MASARYKOVA KOLEJ

Take bus No. 119 get off from the bus No. 119 at the terminal station “Dejvická”. Walk back along “Evropská Street” (about 20 minutes).

HOW TO REACH YOUR HOTEL from the railway station “Praha - Hlavni nádraží”

CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL

Take tram No. 26 and go to the stop called “Vítězné náměstí”. Change to the tram No. 8 and go to the last stop “Podbaba” (about 20 minutes).

DENISA

Take tram No. 26 and get off at the stop called “Vítězné náměstí” (about 25 minutes).

PENZION U 1. BATERIE

Take the underground line C to "Vltavská" station (in the direction "Nádraží Holešovice"), there change to tram No.1 and get off at the stop "Baterie". Then walk up the hill till you reach the Penzion (about 25 minutes).

KRYSTAL

Take tram No. 26 and get off at the stop called „Nad Džbánem“, in the direction „Divoká Šárka“ (about 35 minutes).

MASARYKOVA KOLEJ

Take tram No. 26 and go to the stop "Thákurova" in the direction „ Divoká Šárka“ (about 25 minutes).

HOW TO REACH YOUR HOTEL from the railway station "Nádraží Holešovice"

CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL

Take tram No. 17 and go to the stop called "Strossmayerovo náměstí ". Change to tram No. 8 and get to the stop "Podbaba" (about 24 minutes).

DENISA

Take tram No. 12 or 17 and get off at the stop "Strossmayerovo náměstí". Change to tram No.8 or 26 and get to the stop "Vítězné náměstí". It is within a walking distance from here (about 20 minutes).

PENZION U 1. BATERIE

Take the underground line C to "Vltavska station" where change to tram No.1 and get off at the stop "Baterie". Then walk up the hill till you reach the Penzion. (about 25 minutes).

KRYSTAL

Take tram No. 12, get off at „Strossmayerovo náměstí“ , where change to tram No. 26 (in the direction „ Divoka Sarka “) and get to the stop „ Nad Džbánem “ (about 35 minutes).

MASARYKOVA KOLEJ

Take tram No. 12 and get off at „Strossmayerovo namesti“ where change to tram No. 26 (in the direction „Divoká Šárka“) and go to the stop „Thakurova“ (about 25 minutes).

HOW TO REACH the conference site (the Faculty of Civil Engineering of the Czech Technical University) from the hotels:

CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL

Walk along "Jugoslavskych Partyzanu Street" till you reach "Velflikova Street" on the right. Take this street, then turn to "Studentska Street". "Technicka Street" is on the left (about 10 minutes walk).

DENISA

Walk to „ Vítězné náměstí“ and then reach "Technicka street", go along this street till you reach the Faculty (about 10 mintues walk).

PENZION U 1. BATERIE

Walk to the tram stop "Baterie" where take tram No.2 and get off at the stop "Vítězné náměstí"(about 10 minutes).

KRYSTAL

Take tram No. 26 and get off at the stop called „ Vítězné náměstí “ (about 10 minutes).

MASARYKOVA KOLEJ

Walk down "Thakurova street" till you reach "Technicka street" where the Faculty is situated (5 minutes walk).

HOW TO REACH the conference site (the Faculty of Civil Engineering of the Czech Technical University) from the airport "Praha – Ruzyně"

Take bus No.119 and get to the terminal "Dejvicka", now it is within a walking distance.

HOW TO REACH the conference site (the Faculty of Civil Engineering of the Czech Technical University) from the railway station "Praha – Hlavni nadrazi"

Take tram No. 26 and get off at the stop „Vítězné náměstí“ (about 20 minutes).

HOW TO REACH the conference site (the Faculty of Civil Engineering of the Czech Technical University) from the railway station "Praha – Holešovice"

Take the underground line C and go to the station "Vltavska" where change to tram No. 26 and get off at the stop „ Vítězné náměstí “.

HOW TO REACH downtown from the conference site

- 1) Take the underground and get off at the stations "Muzeum" or "Můstek". You are at the "Václavské náměstí".
- 2) Take the underground and get off at the station "Staroměstská". You are next to the Charles Bridge.

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