

Dear coxies,

Another year passed, and it was not an easy one. Despite the situation, the program went well. Read on about our activities.

Study

The study was marked by the Corona crisis. We succeeded to see our students face to face for two weeks in September and then everything went online for the rest of the year.



Check out our [current curriculum](#). The final exams were combined, with some students being present physically, some online. From three terms (February, June, August) we have got six new graduates – Danijela, Klara, Michal, Barbora, Lucia and Jana – congratulations and welcome to the Mei:CogSciBA alumni family! Check out their master theses in our [Master thesis archive](#).

Entrance exams in June took place online. We had 32 applications from 16 countries, out of which we accepted 22. To these days, 14 students from 10 countries (Slovakia, Czech Republic, Russia, Colombia, Serbia, Austria, Iran, Turkey, Italy, Germany) enrolled in the first year.

We hosted 12 mobility students (4 Ljubljana, 8 Vienna).

Conferences

The 2021 MEi:CogSci conference was again organized virtually, with a turnout of approx. 150 people.

The annual Czech-Slovak conference KUZ (Cognition and artificial life) was canceled again due to corona. We do hope that the next year will resume the tradition of the conference, meeting the wonderful Czech and Slovak cognitive science community face to face.

Our team at Department of Applied Informatics was also involved in organizing a prestigious international conference on neural networks ([ICANN](#)) collocated with [Bratislava Knowledge September 2021](#). The conference was held in online format.

Life

We were also active toward general public, mainly through the Slovak Cognitive Science Society (SSKV). The summary of SSKV activities is [here](#).



As you surely noticed, in September 2020 we had to cancel the annual cognitive drink because of COVID-related restrictions. We hope to make up for it this year though. We cordially invite to join us on **Tuesday Sept 28 from 17:00 at [Karloveska klubovna](#)**. This year we were able to book tables on the terrace (if the weather is nice), so please take warm clothes (and drink a lot ☺). If you are in a quarantine, feeling unwell or have respiratory symptoms, please stay at home, otherwise you are cordially welcome to come and catch up! Even if you cannot come, we will be happy if you stay in touch.

If the situation allows, we will also hold the traditional annual MEi:CogSci Christmas event with the students and teachers from the partner universities on Friday December 10. You are welcome to join us for a drink, put it in your calendar! We will send a reminder/confirmation when the date is closer.

Besides this, the students themselves self-organize and sneak in several smaller cognitive drinks throughout the year, so follow us on [Facebook](#).

Thank you for reading this and for your support!

Useful links

- [MEi:Cogsci students and alumni Facebook page](#)
- Conferences [Cognition and Artificial Life](#)
- [Cognitive Science and AI seminar](#)
- [CNC seminar](#)
- [Master theses archive](#)
- [Slovak Cognitive Science Society](#)