

Dear coxies,

this year was marked by going back to (sort-of) normal. We were able to teach in classes in the presence form and we greatly enjoyed it, both students and teachers. We allowed a hybrid form though, as some of the first-year students did not get their visa in time.

Study

We have got eight new graduates – Beáta, Hansoo, Cassandra, Kevin, Lauren, Rohil, Viera, Wilma – congratulations and welcome to the MEi:CogSciBA alumni family! Check out their master's theses in our [Master's thesis archive](#).



Entrance exams in June took place in the mixed form. We had 31 applications from 14 countries, out of which we accepted 20. As of today, 11 students from 6 countries (Slovakia, Serbia, Ukraine, Albania, Sudan, Germany) enrolled in the first year.

We hosted 13 mobility students (7 Ljubljana, 6 Vienna), some of them online, others physically present.

The cognitive science program has also been going through a process of new accreditation. As part of the new rules, a quality assurance panel for the program was established, with members from teachers, students and industry. Check out our [current curriculum](#).

Conferences



After a two-year pause, we were finally able to have the annual MEi:CogSci conference in person, in Zagreb. We all had a good time there and our first-year student Jennifer Kubitzek won the best poster award for her work *"Jealousy in Polyamorous and Monogamous People: a Theoretical Approach"*. Kutlay Usta scored third with his poster *"Potential Underground Water Source Mapping with Convolutional Neural Network on Mars"* and Jaanika Malla scored third for the best talk award with her talk *"Phenomenology of Identity Disturbance and Affective Instability in Borderline Personality Disorder"*. We cordially congratulate! Our alumni Xenia Daniela Poslon also took part in the alumni discussion panel.



The annual Czech-Slovak conference [KUZ 2022](#) (Cognition and artificial life) took place physically on Třešť castle in Czech Republic. Ten people from our department attended, including two undergraduate students. The conference [proceedings](#) are freely available.

Life



Thanks to covid rules relaxation, we were also able to get together at a few social events, even having a BBQ at the Danube bank beach. Hopefully we'll be also able to renew the tradition of the start-of-the-year **cognitive drink** – coming soon! We cordially invite you to join us on **Wednesday Sept 28 from 18:00** at [Karloveska klubovna](#). The traditional annual MEi:CogSci Christmas event with the students and teachers from

the partner universities is planned on Friday December 2. You are welcome to join us for a drink, if you like. 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](#).

We have also been active in the Slovak Cognitive Science Society (SSKV); check out our activities [here](#).



Alumni survey

In 2016 we conducted an [alumni survey](#). We would very much like to administer a new survey soon – exploring employability of our graduates is an important part of the study program’s quality assurance process. We will contact you in near future by email and would very much appreciate your participation in the survey.

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’s theses archive](#)
- [Slovak Cognitive Science Society](#)