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# ***Polyglot Gathering 2026 Brings the World's Language Enthusiasts again to Brno***

***From 27 to 31 May 2026, the international event Polyglot Gathering 2026 will take place at Mendel University in Brno, welcoming hundreds of language enthusiasts, educators, researchers, and polyglots from around the world to the city of Brno.***

The event is held under the auspices of the Mayor of Brno JUDr. Markéta Vaňková and the Rector of Mendel University in Brno doc. ing. Martin Klimánek, Ph.D., and is financially supported by the City of Brno.

The Polyglot Gathering is an informal international conference dedicated to languages, multilingualism, and intercultural exchange. Since its first edition in Berlin in 2014, the event has grown into one of the world's best-known gatherings for people passionate about languages and language learning. Every year, participants from dozens of countries come together to exchange experiences, discover new cultures, and share innovative approaches to language acquisition.

Following the successful Prague edition in 2024, and even bigger event in 2025 in Brno, the event now comes again to Brno, for the second time. During five days, thanks to 900 polyglots from 67 countries, the city will become a vibrant meeting point for a truly international community speaking dozens of languages every day.

The programme will feature lectures, workshops, discussion panels, language exchanges, concerts, social activities, and interactive sessions covering topics such as language learning methods, multilingual education, communication across cultures, endangered languages, interpretation, translation, and the use of technology in language learning. Most sessions will be held in English, but participants are encouraged to use and practice many other languages throughout the event.

Among the attendees will be experienced polyglots, teachers, students, researchers, digital nomads, translators, and people who simply enjoy learning languages. Knowledge of many languages is not a requirement for participation. The event is open to anyone who is curious about languages and international communication.

As Peter Baláž, coordinator of the event and representative of the organizing association, explains:

*“Polyglot Gathering is above all about openness, curiosity, and bringing people together through languages. You do not need to speak ten languages to participate. Many attendees are only beginning their language-learning journey. What matters most is the willingness to communicate, learn, and connect with people from different cultures.”*

Participants can also look forward to a variety of community activities, including multilingual games, cultural presentations, language cafés, an English-free zone, and the popular “Culinary Festival”, where attendees share traditional food and drinks from their countries. Another important

part of the programme is the “Polyglot Expo”, where authors, teachers, language startups, educational platforms, and publishers present their projects and products.

The event is organized by an international NGO „Education@Internet“ (E@I – [www.ikso.net](http://www.ikso.net)) connected through language education and multilingual communication projects. The organizers are also known for long-term educational initiatives, including the multilingual language-learning platform Lernu!, which (from 2002) has helped hundreds of thousands of users worldwide learn Esperanto online. The World Esperanto Association (UEA, [www.uea.org](http://www.uea.org)) is also one of the main sponsors of the event, as the core idea of Esperanto is to support multilingualism and foster mutual understanding between people and cultures worldwide.

With the support of the City of Brno and Mendel University, the organizers expect Polyglot Gathering 2026 to further strengthen Brno’s reputation as an open, international, and innovation-friendly university city.

More information about the event, programme, and registration is available at:

[www.polyglotgathering.com](http://www.polyglotgathering.com)

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