

Developer CTP to be the Czech national partner at EXPO 2025

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CTP has been announced as the Czech national partner at EXPO 2025, which will be hosted by Osaka, Japan next year. Based on the signed memorandum, the Business Lounge on the roof of the Czech national pavilion will be renamed the CTP Lounge.

The EXPO will be held in Osaka for the second time. Japan's third largest city hosted the EXPO as early as 1970. The theme then was Progress for Humanity and this year's organisers are building on more than 50 years of history. The motto of the current edition is "Designing Future Society for Our Lives" and its aim is to seek collaborative solutions to today's global challenges using modern technology. EXPO is intended to provide a platform for opportunities to link knowledge, new technologies and relevant people in their respective fields, giving them the opportunity to share their approaches and find appropriate solutions. That is why the Czech Republic is looking for partnerships with companies that are progressive and where modern technology is part of their daily work.

"I am delighted that today we can announce our cooperation with such an important partner. We greatly appreciate this interest and support the company's activities towards Japan. CTP is currently very active in sustainable construction and this cooperation can play a key role in attracting foreign investors to the Czech Republic. This is one of the goals of the Czech participation in the world exhibition," says **Ondřej Soška, General Commissioner of the Czech participation in EXPO 2025**.

Partners brought together by carbon neutrality and artificial intelligence

CTP is the largest listed industrial and logistics property developer in Europe with a portfolio of 12.6 million sqm of lettable area in 10 European countries. CTP has long been a leader in sustainable industrial construction, with an emphasis on innovation, technological solutions and a flexible approach to client needs. Its commitment to operational carbon neutrality and emphasis on sustainability makes it an ideal partner for the Czech pavilion at EXPO 2025, which shares similar values and goals.

"EXPO 2025 is a unique platform that allows us not only to present the best of the Czech Republic, but also to inspire visitors and partners from all over the world. We see our partnership at this prestigious event as an opportunity to show how a modern and sustainable approach to business can bring value and promote innovation. At CTP, we have long focused on creating spaces that support the growth of companies while respecting the needs of society and the environment. Collaborating on the Czech Pavilion allows us to foster a dialogue about sustainability and innovation, which are at the heart of our work. We are proud to be part of this extraordinary event and to help show the world the creativity and capabilities of the Czech Republic," explained Jakub Kodr, Chief Commercial Officer of CTP Czech Republic.

EXPO 2025 will officially open on 13 April 2025 and will close six months later on 13 October 2025. More information about the Czech pavilion can be found <u>here</u>.

About the Czech Pavilion at EXPO 2025

In December 2022, after more than twenty years, the Office of the Commissioner General announced an open anonymous architectural competition for the design of the national pavilion for EXPO 2025. 38 teams entered the competition, from which an expert jury headed by world-renowned architect Eva Jiřičná selected the winning design in the shape of a glass spiral by Apropos Architects in March 2023. The supporting structure of the building will consist of modern wooden panels, while the façade will be made of art glass, which has a centuries-old tradition in the Czech Republic. The National Pavilion will offer a worthy backdrop for the Czech participation in EXPO 2025, which will be held from April to October 2025 on the artificial island of Yumeshima in the Gulf of Osaka. The pavilion will house a permanent exhibition, a multifunctional auditorium, facilities for business meetings, a restaurant, a VIP lounge and a relaxation area in front of the pavilion overlooking the sea.



About Czech participation at EXPO 2025

The Czech Republic as an independent state will participate in the World EXPO for the sixth time. Ondřej Soška, who won the tender of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with his concept and theme "Talent and Creativity for Life", will be the General Commissioner from September 2022. In Osaka, the Czech Republic should present not only what the Japanese know very well and have long admired, such as Czech glass and classical music, but also Czech innovations, nanotechnologies, promising start-ups and regional talent.

More information can be found on the <u>website of the Czech participation at EXPO 2025</u>. You can also follow us on <u>Twitter</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>YouTube</u>.

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