



LES International Management & Delegates Meeting (IMDM)

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2026 LES Society Fact Sheet

Thank you for providing us with an updated LES Society Fact Sheet. This information helps us share your annual activities with the LESI Board and the Membership Committee. We have also asked for some data on your members (while helpful, we appreciate that not all societies might have this data).

LES SOCIETY INFORMATION

SOCIETY NAME: LES Czech Republic and Slovakia

CONTACT PERSON

(This person is responsible for communication with & timely submissions to the LESI's Administrative Team)

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CURRENT SOCIETY OFFICERS

President: Vojtěch Chloupek

Secretary: Miroslav Černý

Treasurer: Ivan Lukšíček

Society Administrator(s): Mária Pospíšilová (web and social media administrator)

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(please provide delegate e-mail addresses)

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Term of Current Society Officers/ Date of Next Change of Officers: November 2026

(please notify LESI with a complete list of officers when the change takes place by emailing nne@lesi.org)

Annual Membership Dues: CZK 3,400

(please note currency and any categories of membership -- including corporate or student rates)

Date and location of your next Annual Society meeting: TBC (probably November 2026, Prague)

MEMBERSHIP DATA

Category	Total Number	% Change from last year
Total Number of Members: <i>(please also note the below categories)</i>	42	-6.67 %
Corporate	3	+50.00 %
Law Firm	15	-16.67 %
IP consulting or Services	10	0.00 %
University	6	0.00 %
Other	8	-11.11 %
Young Members (< 40 years of age):	13 (estimated)	-13.33 %

SOCIETY ACTIVITIES

Notable Society Activities / Educational Events during the past year: *(please include the date, purpose and number of attendees)*

During the past year, LES Czech Republic & Slovakia organised two significant events that reflected the society's commitment to education and professional development in the field of intellectual property. On **23 April 2025**, in recognition of World Intellectual Property Day, the society co-hosted a half-day seminar in Bratislava with the Slovak Centre for Technology Transfer (CVTI SR), bringing together technology-transfer officers, institutional counsel and industry partners from across Slovakia and the Czech Republic to discuss licence agreements and research-collaboration contracts in the academic sector, with speakers Vojtěch Chloupek, Eva Janoušková, Jaroslav Noskovič and Tomáš Klinka addressing key topics including legal risk, institutional policy, valuation, negotiation practice, and operational challenges such as early licensing of patent applications and the treatment of confidential know-how.

Then, on **27 November 2025**, the society marked its **30th anniversary** with a landmark day-long conference entitled "Design & Law: Shaping Europe's Future" at the Museum of Decorative Arts in Prague, which drew leading experts from across Central Europe — including Pavel Koukal and Radim Charvát (Masaryk University), Florian Prändl (Gassauer Fleissner, Austria), Mladen Stamenov (EUIPO), Bálint Halász (Bird & Bird Hungary), Peter Olah (Škoda Auto) and Šárka Houzáková (LINET) — to explore the evolving intersection of design protection, copyright law and trademark law, with an opening address by LESI President Jean-Christophe Troussel and special recognition given to the society's founders, Ing. Jana Kühnlová and Ing. Vladimíra Husáková, for laying the foundation of what has become a vibrant IP professional community in the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Please List Your Professional Committees and primary contacts for each (e.g., Education, Life Sciences, Transportation, Branding):

N/A

Does your society have (or plan to start) a Young Members Congress (YMC)? Would your Society be interested in becoming more involved in WILA? If so, please provide a contact for each.

As our Society is rather small, we do not plan now to organize YMC or just women-orientated events.

How can LESI or other LES Societies further support you?

We have been cooperating with LES Austria and LES Hungary on regular basis, further cooperation within Europe on the Presidents' level seems to be also working well.

Report completed by : Vojtěch Chloupek

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