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# Pilsen Region Business News



# "Brains" of region reap success in CZ and beyond

Research centres in Pilsen made a splash with their new innovations at the International Engineering Fair in Brno. A prestigious award went to a scientist at the NTC research centre, and student "brains" also reaped success.

Three research centres at Pilsen's University of West Bohemia (ZČU) showcased their new work in Brno. The first, "Kraken", is part of a new generation of milling heads. The took was developed at RTI and it received the fair's Gold Medal for innovative engineering components. Featuring a special frame structure, Kraken mills materials that are difficult to machine and is produced using 3D printing technology.

At the academic level, NTC's Associate Professor Dr. Ján Minár was made an Honorary Fellow at Munich University of Applied Sciences and is the first to receive the honour in the Research Fellowship programme, which is aimed at strengthening scientific and academic collaboration between MUAS and foreign partners. Ján Minár will give lectures at the Munich university and continue his research there.

ZČU economics student David Prantl also enjoyed success with an app that can visualise meteorological data from numerical models. The app, <u>Ventusky</u>, won the silver medal in Vodafone's Idea of the Year 2017 competition and won the Nokia Startup of the Year award.

# "Hlavy" regionu slaví úspěchy nejen v Česku

Výzkumná centra uspěla se svými novinkami na Mezinárodním strojírenském veletrhu v Brně. Prestižní ocenění obdržel vědecký pracovník výzkumného centra NTC a úspěch sklízí i studentské "hlavy".

Tři výzkumná centra ZČU v Plzni představila v Brně své novinky. První z nich je frézovací hlava nové generace nazvaná Kraken. Vyvinuta byla v RTI a na veletrhu v Brně získala dokonce zlatou medaili za inovaci komponenty ve strojírenství. Jedná se o prutový nástroj určený pro frézování těžkoobrobitelných materiálů, který je vyroben technologií 3D tisku.

Na poli akademickém obdržel Doc. Dr. Ing. Ján Minár z centra NTC ocenění "Honorary Fellow" Univerzity aplikovaných věd v Mnichově a je historicky prvním oceněným v programu Research Fellowship. Ten je zaměřen na prohlubování vědecké a akademické spolupráce mezi mnichovskou univerzitou a zahraničními partnery. Ján Minár bude přednášet na mnichovské univerzitě a pokračovat zde ve výzkumu.

Značný úspěch zaznamenal také student ekonomické fakulty ZČU David Prantl, jehož <u>aplikace Ventusky</u> získala stříbrnou medaili v soutěži Vodafone Nápad roku 2017 a cenu Vítěz Nokia Startup roku. Díky aplikaci je možné vizualizovat meteorologická data z numerických modelů.

### Reasons to invest

#### **Conditions for investors**

- investor support
- experience with foreigr investment
- high-quality industrial base
- high-quality workforce
- holder of the prestigious World Trade Center Pilsen licence

#### Location

- strategic position on the D5 motorway linking Prague with Germany and Western Europe
- close to the international airpor in Prague

#### **Transport**

- good transport links
- major road and rail junctions

#### Quality of life

- excellent living conditions
- high-quality health and socia care
- all the cultural and sporting facilities you would expect from a major regional centre

## **Research and Education**

- wide range of secondary schools specializing in electrical, mechanical, construction and transport engineering
- universities, colleges and secondary schools offering the option of studying subjects in English
- University of West Bohemia in Pilsen with nine faculties (Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Applied Sciences, Economics, Philosophy and Arts, Law, Education, Health Care Studies, Design and Art)
- Charles University's Faculty of Medicine in Pilsen offering programmes in General Medicine and Dentistry, highly developed research programme

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