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### Word from the chair

After one week packed with program, the conference is coming to its end, so enjoy the last day of talks. Thanks to all speakers, convenors and participants for excellent talks and discussions. We hope you appreciated the whole conference and we wish you a safe trip back home.



### Announcements

- Seven poster awards for early career researchers will be announced at the beginning of the last session
- There will be guided tour through the exhibition "["Particles and Arnošt Lustig"](#)" at 13:30 in the Winter Garden.



## Places around you: Prague metro

The Prague Metro is a subway-type public transport system, using a so-called heavy Soviet metro methodology, which concentrates on maximizing the transport capacities. This year it celebrates the 50th anniversary of its opening. The hilly profile of Prague with the meandering river Vltava created many challenges for the civil engineers, forcing them to develop new techniques when crossing the river. The metro stations were built with a strong focus not only on its functionality, but also on its visual appearance, in the hope of it being enjoyed and appreciated by those who use it. It was inspired by the famous Moscow metro. Many stations were built in large caves deep underground not only because of the limits on elevation of railways but also as large-capacity shelters for Prague residents in case of nuclear war.



Let's hope they will never be needed as such.

## Two questions for Omar Vazquez Rueda

(went to about 25 conferences before this one)

*Why did you choose to come to the ICHEP2024?*

ICHEP is the major conference and gathers both theorists and experimentalists. As an experimentalist, I see it as a great opportunity to talk and chat also with the theoreticians and get inspiration and ideas on new measurements I can pursue using the ALICE capabilities. Also, to attend the talks from all the other large experiments and see how we, as ALICE, can borrow some ideas and use our detector to exploit its unique features.



*What were you looking forward to the most when coming here? You have already answered this question a bit, but you can also talk about the city of Prague if you want.*

Yeah, as you said, the answer to this question is already in the previous - as a young postdoc, I was looking forward mostly to interacting with the theorists and using their guidance and ideas on what measurements I shall go for.



Actually, this is my fourth time in Prague, so when I found out this event would be held here, I got excited because you guys are great at organising nice and tidy events. When going to conferences, I think if the coffee breaks are not good, then... I mean having a good organisation, especially the coffee breaks, makes the conference an even bigger success. Apart from the scientific program, of course.

*Omar is in his first postdoc position at the University of Houston, USA and previously completed his studies in Mexico and Sweden. He works on heavy ion collisions but also the small systems at the ALICE experiment.*

## Weather forecast for tonight (from [www.chmi.cz](http://www.chmi.cz))

Temperature between 24°C (75°F) and 18°C (64°F). No rain.