

Agenda Summer School 2026 (subject to changes)

Accessible, Barrier-Free and Inclusive Cross-border Public Transport - Summer School - ŽILINA

1st Online Lecture (??.2026)			
Time slot	Topic	Details	Lecturer
10:00-10:10	Welcome and introduction (It contains a short welcome and presentation of the format of the summer school and its activities. All organizational aspects will be introduced.)		UNIVERSITY OF ŽILINA Assoc. Prof. Priv.-Doz. Mag. Dr. Elmar Fürst Austrian Association Supporting the Blind and Visually Impaired Institute of Transport and Logistics Management - WU Vienna University of Economics and Business Dipl.-Ing. Sebastian Belz European Platform of Transport Sciences (EPTS Foundation e.V.)
10:10-10:15	Mindmap: What do you expect of this Summer School?		All students
10:15-10:30	About the Summer School - "Barrier-Free, accessible, inclusive, cross-border public transport" (Perspective of a Student from Summer School 2024)	Experiences Summer School 2025 The gain and necessity of such a summer school "lasting aftereffects" – did the summer school influence your view on things, your daily life, university life and so on	Lecturer not yet confirmed
10:30-10:50	Introduction of lecturers and mentors	Sort introduction (2-3 minutes each): Name, organisation, what do you do, connection to the topic of the summer school - why participate as a lecturer	Lecturers
10:50-11:30	Short student presentation	Students short introduction (2-3 minutes each): about one self, which school are they coming from, motivation - why did they apply, etc.)	All students
11:30-12:30 / 13:00	Lecture 1: Introduction and concept of accessibility and inclusion UN Convention and social model of disability	What does accessibility and inclusion mean in general? Not in detail.	Assoc. Prof. Priv.-Doz. Mag. Dr. Elmar Fürst Austrian Association Supporting the Blind and Visually Impaired Institute of Transport and Logistics Management - WU Vienna University of Economics and Business

1st day (29.06.2026) Location: UNIVERSITY OF ŽILINA, Univerzitná 8215/1, 010 26 Žilina			
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08:30-09:00	Welcome - Registration (Drinks and Snacks)		
09:00-09:10	Opening Words, Tasks, Agenda		UNIVERSITY OF ŽILINA Assoc. Prof. Priv.-Doz. Mag. Dr. Elmar Wilhelm M. Fürst Austrian Association Supporting the Blind and Visually Impaired Dipl.-Ing. Sebastian Belz European Platform of Transport Sciences (EPTS Foundation e.V.)
09:10-09:40	Lecture 1: Understanding disabilities Social exclusion and inclusion		Mag. Daniele Marano Austrian Association Supporting the Blind and Visually Impaired
09:40-10:20	Lecture 2: Barrier-Free mobility		Assoc. Prof. Priv.-Doz. Mag. Dr. Elmar Wilhelm M. Fürst Austrian Association Supporting the Blind and Visually Impaired
10:20-10:30	Short break		
10:30-13:00	Lecture 3: Welcome, Laboratory of Railway Transport		UNIVERSITY OF ŽILINA
13:00-14:00	Lunch break		

14:00-15:30	<p>Team work: 2 Workshops (Theoretical lecture and try out the simulation tools)</p> <p>WS 1: visual impairment (Simulation glasses, canes) (Group 1 and 2)</p> <p>WS 2: mobility impairment (4 wheelchairs & age explorer) (Group 3 and 4)</p>	<p>Einführungsvortrag (45 Minuten): Daniele Marano und Marija Binova</p> <p>Anwendung der Simulationstools in Gruppen: Group 1 (7 students): Daniele Marano, Alexandra Onea Group 2 (7 students): Marija Binova, Elmar Fürst (Support Daniela Fassl)</p> <p>Einführungsvortrag (30 Minuten): Christian Platzer</p> <p>Group 3 (7 students): Stefanie Chwalko Group 4 (7 students): Christian Platzer + (Assistant)</p>	<p>Austrian Association Supporting the Blind and Visually Impaired</p> <p>Mag. Daniele Marano Austrian Association Supporting the Blind and Visually Impaired</p> <p>Marija Binova Austrian Association Supporting the Blind and Visually Impaired</p> <p>Austrian Association Supporting the Blind and Visually Impaired</p> <p>Christian Platzer Austrian Association Supporting the Blind and Visually Impaired</p>
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	In planning: Socialising event / Free time ?		

**2nd day
(30.06.2026)**
Location: UNIVERSITY OF ŽILINA, Univerzitná 8215/1, 010 26 Žilina

Time slot	Topic	Details	Lecturer
09:00-11:00	Excursion: Airport Žilina		
11:00-11:30	Lecture 4: Challenges in the use of public transportation		Christian Platzer Austrian Association Supporting the Blind and Visually Impaired
11:30-12:00	Lecture 5: Digitale Barrierefreiheit / Web accessibility		Lecturer not yet confirmed
12:00-13:00	Fieldtrip planning		
13:00-14:30	Lunch break		
14:30-16:30	Excursion: Transport Company Zilina		
	In planning: Socialising event / Free time?		

**3rd day -Fieldtrip
(01.07.2026)**
Location: Ostrava

Time slot	Topic	Details	Lecturer
Whole day	Planning in progress		

4th day
(02.07.2026)
Location: UNIVERSITY OF ŽILINA, Univerzitná 8215/1, 010 26 Žilina

Time slot	Topic	Details	Lecturer
09:00-12:00	Excursion: trip by train to Rajecské Teplice		
12:00-13:00	Lunch break		
13:00 - open End	Group work - Preparation of the final presentation		

5th day
(03.07.2026)
Location: UNIVERSITY OF ŽILINA, Univerzitná 8215/1, 010 26 Žilina

Time slot	Topic	Details	Lecturer
09:40-10:00	Welcome - Registration (Drinks and Snacks)		
10:00-10:20	Poster session: Group 1		
10:20-10:40	Poster session: Group 2		
10:40-11:00	Poster session: Group 3		
11:00-11:20	Poster session: Group 4		
11:20-12:00	Interview session with students		HG Communication department
12:00-13:00	Lunch break		
13:00-14:00	Final conclusions & Closing ceremony		
	In planning: Socialising event or Free time		

2nd Online Lecture
(?.?.2026)

Time slot	Topic	Details	Lecturer
	online submission of the assignment		