



## **Newsletter 28<sup>th</sup> World Olympic Collectors' Fair PRAGUE 2025**

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**Friends, Collectors, Visitors,**

**You hold in your hands the inaugural edition of the newsletter for the 28th World Olympic Collectors Fair, which will take place in just a few weeks in the capital of the Czech Republic, Prague.**

### **Opening words from the President of the WOCF Prague 2025 Organizing Committee**

#### **How it all began...**

The Olympic and Sports Philately Association OLYMPSPORT was founded in 1966, and was at the birth of, and is a founding member of international organizations - FIPO in 1994, and AICO in 2014.

In 2013, Olympsport representatives attended WOCF Paris 2023, where they were approached by AICO executive committee representatives with an offer to participate in the selection process for organizing fairs in 2025, 2026, and 2027. The seed was planted.

In August 2023, the AICO leadership announced the selection process for organizing world fairs in 2025-2027. In October 2023, the Olympsport committee decided to apply for the 2025 fair. This year was not chosen by chance – 2025 marks 100 years since the "VIII Olympic Congress" held in Prague in 1925 on the same dates.

On November 5, 2023, the AICO executive committee announced that Olympsport had been selected to host the 28th World Olympic Collectors Fair. This selection was subsequently confirmed by the Olympic Foundation for Culture and Heritage. The first official meeting of the WOCF Prague 2025 Organizing Committee took place in Prague on January 10, 2024, symbolically at the Olympik Hotel, where the Fair will be held from May 30 to June 1, 2025.



*From left: Jan Petrás, Václav Diviš, Jindřich Jirásek, Josef Kočí, Branislav Delej*

#### Other milestones:

- March 1, 2024: Signing of a communiqué between the presidents of AICO and OLYMPSPORT on cooperation in organizing the fair.
- December 15, 2024: Approval and official release of the WOCF Prague 2025 logo.



- January 25, 2025: Official launch of the website and commencement of participant registration.

You can find current information on the website [www.wocfprague2025.org](http://www.wocfprague2025.org) and also through these newsletters.

**We look forward to welcoming you to Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic, one of the most beautiful cities in Europe.**

***Josef Kočí***

*President of the Organizing Committee WOCF Prague 2025*

## Gala Dinner at WOCF Prague 2025

### Experience an unforgettable evening in the heart of Prague!

After a demanding day filled with meetings, successful deals, enriching your collections, and networking with colleagues, you deserve to unwind in an authentic setting. That's why we've prepared a Gala Dinner at the legendary Prague restaurant, U Fleků.

#### Why shouldn't you miss this event?

- **Historic Atmosphere:** Enjoy the unique ambiance of one of Prague's oldest and most renowned restaurants.
- **Exquisite Czech Cuisine:** Savor traditional Czech dishes and taste the world-famous beer from the local brewery.
- **Casual Networking:** A perfect opportunity for informal gatherings with colleagues and forging new connections.

#### What awaits you:

- **Lavish Dinner:** Traditional Czech specialties, a choice of 4 main courses plus a vegetarian option, appetizer, and dessert.
- **Unlimited Beverages:** Enjoy unlimited consumption of drinks (coffee, soft drinks, beer, and wine).
- **Cabaret Performance:** A captivating cabaret show (approximately one hour).
- **Live Music:** Live music will accompany you throughout the evening.
- **Transportation:** Transportation from and back to the Olympik Hotel is provided!



**Don't hesitate, reserve your spot today! Capacity is limited:**

<https://www.wocfprague2025.org/en/participants/register>

### **Why U Fleků?**

U Fleků is one of Prague's most iconic landmarks. With a rich history dating back to the 15th century, it offers a unique experience for every visitor.



**An unforgettable evening in the heart of Prague awaits you!**

<https://ufleku.cz/>

*Josef Kočí*

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## **Participant Registration**

### **Additional Information:**

The maximum table length that can be reserved by one participant is 600 cm.

There is no limit as far as the number of accompanying persons. Each registered person is considered a WOCF Prague participant and will receive a name tag.

Each registered participant will receive a maximum of 2 participant packages (logo bag, badges, postcards, brochures). Participants who order more than 2 tables will receive a reduced table price as a bonus.

*Josef Kočí*