Let's Go to the Czech Republic!
September 4-13, 2017

Inspired by the course In the Heart of Europe: The Czech Republic taught this spring by Furman professor Michael Svec, Dr. Svec is offering an opportunity for OLLI members to travel to the Czech Republic September 4-13, 2017. Immerse yourself in Prague, the ancient capital of the Kingdom of Bohemia. This travel program will take its time so you can come to know the Czech Republic in a more intimate way. Walk the same streets as Holy Roman emperors, saints, writers, composers, scientists, and occupying armies. Take time to enjoy some of the best beer in the world on the shores of the Vltava River listening to Smetana’s ode to that very river. Breathe in a millennium of culture, architecture, history, and music. The trip includes exploring the countryside of Southern Bohemia with overnight stay in Cesky Krumlov, one of Europe’s most picturesque towns and an UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The cost of the trip is $3814 ($662 single supplement) which includes all ground costs (transportation, hotel accommodations, 12 meals), economy class airfare and travel insurance. You will register online through the website information listed below. Then remit your $400 deposit ($200 ground/$200 air) in the OLLI office by May 16. Total of 50% of trip cost is due no later than May 30, 2017 with 100% of trip cost due no later than June 28, 2017.

Sound like the trip for you? Please take a few moments to review the trip details and complete the online registration for your trip. Please be aware that the online registration site is not accessible from a mobile or tablet device.

Please note that this comprehensive website has valuable information regarding your customized trip. Please be sure to read through the site carefully for this information, which includes:
- Key dates
- Basic Program Information
- Hotel Details & Tour Inclusions
- International air details
- Itinerary
- Passport and Visa Instructions
- Packing list
- Business Etiquette
- Embedded Insurance Policy Information

To go into the registration:
1. Visit the WorldStrides Capstone main registration page: [www.worldstridescapstone.org/register](http://www.worldstridescapstone.org/register)
2. You will then be prompted to enter Furman University’s Trip ID: 147283
3. Once you enter the Trip ID, click on the ‘Register Now’ box below and you will be taken directly to your program’s registration portal.
4. Review the summary page and additional tabs and click ‘Register’ in the top right corner.
5. Enter in your registration details in the next 4 steps.
6. You are required to accept WorldStrides Capstone programs Terms & Conditions and click “check-out” before your registration is complete.
A few things to keep in mind:

- **Passport:** The registration process requires your passport information. When you are ready to register, please be sure to have your passport on hand. If you do not have your passport when registering, or will be renewing your passport before travel, you can still complete the process and return to the registration site at another time to enter your passport details.

- **Visas Not Required:** Travel to the Czech Republic does not require U.S. citizens to obtain a visa for entry. All U.S. citizens and non-U.S. citizens with an established U.S. residence will receive a customized Toolkit with full details on your specific visa needs (if applicable). Please read through this toolkit as it contains valuable information on the visa process and how to apply. Your customized online registration website also contains a visa tab which outlines important information on how to fill out the visa application. All participants who do not meet these requirements will be contacted separately for further instructions regarding assistance for your visa needs.
  - *If you are a non-U.S. citizen but can provide proof of U.S. residency (utility bill, lease agreement, or driver’s license) please select your State of Residence from the drop down menu.*

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- **Hotel Accommodations:** All rooms are based on shared twin occupancy (2 persons per room).
  - **Single Supplement:** If you wish to purchase a single supplement, you can do so on the website. You can also go back into your account at a later date and add this option. All optional items are non-refundable and payment is due upon registering for it. The cost of a single supplement for the duration of the 8 night program is $662.

- **Roommate Selection:** You will have the ability to select your roommate. Please determine who your roommate will be prior so that you can indicate that person on your registration. Please note that the roommate selection cannot begin until at least two people are registered. If your roommate has not yet registered, you can go back in and select roommates after your initial registration. Keep your login info.

- **Itinerary:** The current working itinerary is listed as a separate tab on the website. Additional details regarding business visits will be provided closer to the program.

- **Flights:** International flights are included in the program.

- **Airport Transfers:** A group transfer from the Vaclav Havel Airport to the Eurostars David Hotel on September 5th will be provided based on the most common arrival time. A group transfer from the Eurostars David Hotel to the Vaclav Havel Airport on September 13th will be provided based on the most common departure time. **Details will be provided once all airfare information has been collected from all participants.**

- **The registration deadline is May 16, 2017.**

Please feel free to contact Heidi Wright in the OLLI office at 864.294.2997 or heidi.wright@furman.edu with questions. We are delighted to offer these kinds of travel opportunities alongside Furman Faculty. We look forward to a wonderful OLLI adventure!