

JULY 4-11, 2025 BRNO & PRAGUE

FAB25 CZECHIA

Report

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A Unique Experience



8 Days

In Czechia, the heart of central Europe, part of a historical empire featuring art, literature, architecture, castles and a rich cultural heritage. Unforgettable keynotes, hands-on workshops, maker culture, networking, and inspiration

2 Cities

Proof that we can make (almost) anything, anywhere

Brno

The second-largest city in Czechia, known as the intellectual and technological hub of the country and home to leading universities, cutting-edge research institutions, and a thriving startup scene

Prague

The capital of Czechia, a city where centuries of history meet vibrant contemporary culture—a creative and cultural hub that continues to inspire innovation through its dynamic arts, design, and tech scenes

Maker Train

A first in 21 editions of the FABx Event: a special train arranged exclusively for FAB25 attendees; a 2.5-hour journey in which participants enjoyed an exciting onboard program designed to spark creativity, collaboration, and fun

Home of Prusa

Prusa Research—growing from a local startup into one of the world's leading 3D printing companies, proving that open-source technology can drive scalable economic growth and positioning Prague as a center for distributed manufacturing and creative enterprise

About FAB25





Overview

The FAB25 Czechia Inauguration on July 4 in Brno set the tone for eight days of dynamic content that included keynotes, hands-on workshops, exhibitions, panels, and collaborative challenges. July 5–7, participants engaged in a range of thematic sessions: Fab Labs - 25 Years & Beyond, Maker-to-Market, and Digital Age Competencies, with morning talks from global leaders and exploratory workshops in the afternoons. A key innovation of FAB25 was the first-ever Maker Train, from Brno to Prague, an unforgettable ride that transported the entire community together on July 8. The Maker Train embodied the event's spirit of connection and creativity in motion. A highlight of the week was July 9 in Prague, which marked the Year of Quantum with a full day of content on Emerging Technologies and the Fab City Global Initiative. July 10, Prusa Day, celebrated Czech innovation and the global 3D printing community with a special program in Prague. The week concluded with the Fab Festival on July 11, a public event that opened the doors of digital fabrication to the broader community through exhibitions, open workshops, live demos, and youth showcases.

Throughout the week, participants also took part in collaborator sessions, workshops, and demos. FAB25 Czechia successfully bridged gaps between generations, geographies, and disciplines, reinforcing the Fab Lab Network's commitment to open source, inclusive innovation, and locally driven, globally connected communities.





Participation



Here's a snapshot of key impact metrics for FAB25 Czechia:

2,138 Participants

Total number out of Conference participants: 1,138 and Festival participants: 1,000

1,138 Conference Registrations

Total number of registered in-person participants in our website platform

339 Activities

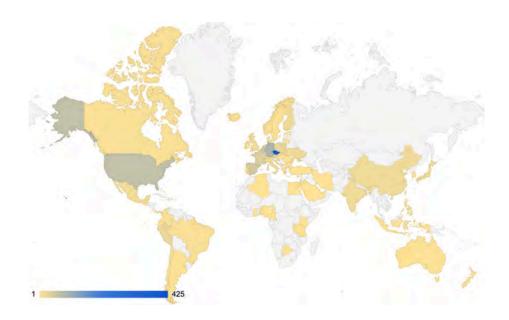
Throughout a full eight days of the FABx Event from July 4-11, 2025

6,459 Online Viewers

On our YouTube livestreams, as of July 2025

Wisitors from 75 countries

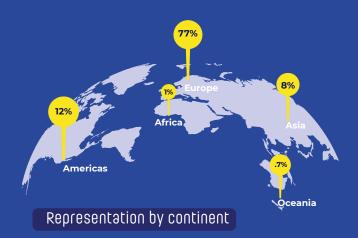
Data from FAB25 Registered Participants - During conference days July 4-10, 2025



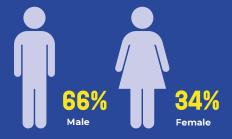
Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kosovo, Lesotho, Lithuania, Macao, Malta, Mexico, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Qatar, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Slovakia, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Tanzania, Turkey, Ukraine, UAE, UK, USA

Top 10 ranking participants by country:

Czechia (37%) Germany (8%) USA (6%) Spain (4%) France (3%) Belgium, Austria, Netherlands, Poland, Peru



Gender Split

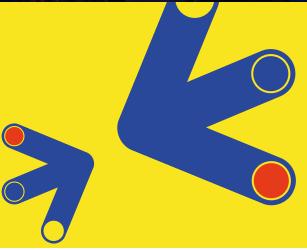


Age Range

6% 66% 27% Teens Adults Seniors

Organizations
Represented by all participants





FAB25: Conference and Workshops

Activities

[FAB25 Gallery]
[Fab City Gallery]



52 Fast Talks

10-minute presentations from the community

42 Keynote Speakers

Curated by the international and local teams

172 Workshops

A mix of hands-on, theoretical, and working groups



DIGITAL MARKETING



YOUTUBE

https://www.youtube.com/fabfndn

Metrics from YouTube Analytics on July 2025

1 Graduation

The Academany Graduation is a hybrid and inclusive session. Along with the 78 in-person graduates, 40 graduates participated online

7 Livestreams

From Inauguration, Fab Labs - 25 Years and Beyond, Maker-to-Market, Digital Age Competencies, Academany Graduation, Emerging Technologies, and Prusa Day- <u>Playlist</u>

922 Daily Views

Over seven days of live-streamed content, we reached a daily average of 922 views on YouTube

SOCIAL MEDIA





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Total number of posts for FAB25 Czechia: **719**

Co-Marketing Strategy across 6 Platforms

facebook.com/fab25czechia instagram.com/fab25.cz linkedin.com/fab25cz facebook.com/fabfndn instagram.com/fabfndn linkedin.com/FabFndn

Metrics from January 1 - July 31, 2025 Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn

413.1K Impressions

Number of times our content was displayed, whether it was clicked on or not

21K Audience

Audience size across all six platforms

32.7k Engagements

Number of public shares, likes, and comments for our business's online social media efforts

7.9% Engagement Rate

Average number of interactions our social media content receives per follower

EMAIL

Total number of campaigns: 16

40% Open Rate

Percentage of subscribers opening a specific email out of our total number of subscribers

66K Subscribers

Fab Foundation + MakeMore + MakerFaire + FAB25 Database







23,587 Website Users

Total users from January 1 - July 17, 2025

60,690 Sessions

A session is a group of user interactions that take place within a given time frame. A single session may contain multiple page views, events, or social interactions.

51,357 Engaged Sessions

These are sessions that lasted longer than 10 seconds, had two or more screen or page views, or had a conversion event.

WEBSITE

Metrics from January 1- July 17, 2025

fab25.fabevent.org

Google Analytics

3:06sec | 51% Engagement Time & Rate

This is the average length of time that the app was in the foreground or the website had focus in the browser.

interest from 150 countries worldwide





611,257 event counts were made as part of the interaction from users in the platform.

Most Visited Pages

HOMEPAGE

56K

PROGRAM

SCHEDULE

Editorial Content

8 original pieces were written and published on the FAB25 Media page in support of the event:

What is FAB25?, What Do We Mean When We Say 'Bridge the Gap'?, How Are We Building Skills & Connections for a Worldwide Movement?, How Are We Deepening the Impact of Our Global Partnerships?, How Are We Expanding Access to Hands-On <u>Learning Experiences?</u>, <u>How Are We Leveraging Technology to</u> Grow Our Community?, How Are We Promoting Innovative Thinking in the Next Generation?, How Are We Supporting the Personal Journeys of Makers Around the World?

Schedule

July 2025

Wed



5th	Sat
DAY 2 BRNO	
FULL DAY	
Registration	
Fab Conference	(FabLabs
25 Years & Beyo	and)
Networking Ever	nt

9th





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10th	Thu	11th
DAY 7 DRACHE		DAY & DRACHE

THANKS TO ALL OUR PARTNERS

FOR THEIR COMBINED IMPACT

For the very first time, FAB25 welcomed **xTool**, who captivated attendees with a fully equipped booth featuring their latest machines and delivered two hands-on workshops tailored specifically for our community. These sessions showcased the versatility of their tools and inspired new ways of integrating them into Fab Lab environments. Dassault Systèmes -**SOLIDWORKS and 3DEXPERIENCE** played a pivotal role in championing STEAM education through their support of Fab-in-a-Box—an innovative education toolkit collaboratively developed by FF and MIT Center for Bits and Atoms. Their contribution helped bridge the gap between advanced digital fabrication tools and accessible learning experiences for classrooms worldwide. Škoda Auto brought a dynamic presence to both Brno and Prague, drawing attention from the public with an impressive display that included one of their vehicles and a mobile Fab Lab, sparking conversations around mobility, innovation, and education. In Prague, the Fab City Foundation opened its sessions with the Fab City Pledge, welcoming Fab Region, Bergisches and City of Charlotte to the network and kicking off two days of engaging, dedicated programming focussed on the future of locally productive cities. Chevron continued its longstanding support of FABx Events and reaffirmed its dedication to equitable STEM education by sponsoring the participation of the Chevron Fab STEM Fellows. Their sponsorship helped support

workshops and activities related to new and innovative education initiatives such the Fab Learning Academy, Quantum Drones for kids educational outreach, and the SCOPES-DF educators platform. Mekanika, MegaFlex, and **Trotec** provided invaluable technical support through their machines and fabrication technology, helping to elevate the workshop experience across the event. Community engagement was further enriched by Hackster.io, who supported maker challenges and hands-on activities, and Make, who helped amplify connections across the international maker community. Seeed Studio contributed essential components for workshops and led two interactive sessions that brought deep dive, innovative activities and knowledge-sharing to our Emerging Technologies track. We are especially thankful to our local partners: ICUK, MUNI Arts, Brno University of Technology, ESA BIC Czech Republic, Brno Convention Bureau, Prague City Tourism, City of Brno, JIC, European Union, Eventee, and Kumst, who helped connect and anchor FAB25 across two cities. Their support with logistics, infrastructure, and cultural experiences made the event truly unforgettable.

A final note of gratitude goes to **Brother** and SainSmart, whose generous donations continue to support the growth of the Fab Lab Network in Eastern Europe.





We are so grateful to our partners in this essential mission-driven work.



- Jesal Mehta Ahoj Fabbers !

On our way to Berlin before we fly back to Mumbai in a few days

Thank you for an amazing time, it was intense, it was brilliant, it was insightful. But most importantly, it was full of making connections, new friendships, inspirations from people from all over the planet. So many new people met, and so many people I'd met in Bhutan or online reconnected with. Truly a lot of gaps being bridged.

To the Fab25 team,

What a wonderful event you have pulled off. Thank you for everything. You had it all perfect for us to run around and do our crazy things. You have a beautiful country, amazing beer, and I'm inspired by your amazing spritzers.

Now I'm looking to get home, digest all the amazing things I'm taking back from Fab25. and work on them. I'll be making efforts to stav in touch with as many of y'all as I can, and do my bit towards the FAN and FAB-India communities as well, all while sipping on large quantities of Aperol spritzers!

Cheers and much love

Mumbai

Faster alone, Farther together!

Ok fellow fabers,

I'm on my way back to Spain. It's intense, it's been great! Thank you to the organizers for the great

It's super nice to reunite with many of you I hadn't seen in too long a time and really

enjoy making new friends. I'm exhausted of so much knowledge, ideas, inspiration and fervor around making together, but I've got my batteries fully charged to work on beautiful new projects.

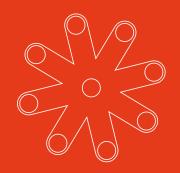


safely landed back in Brazil, with a fully expanded heart from everything that we lived these past days, thank you for the amazing ideas, skills, all the magic, the love and the dance 🖷



I returned home safely, and I wish the sam for you. Rain greeted me, as my soul cries that this adventure is coming to an end.)) The best and most socially valuable things happen in the seams of action. And that's exactly who you are and what you do Makers. It was a pleasure to meet you and draw so much inspiration from you. Special greetings to all the organizers and people working behind the scenes of the event. Your hospitality and professionalism. I'm impressed and a little envious of how the maker movement has developed in the Czech.)) Greetings from Warsaw.

Featured feedback from our 582-member WhatsApp group.



Community Feedback



Back in the business, that was a great week, drained all my energy but came back with a lot of love, thanks all attendees for great discussion, ideas and workshop, thanks fab25 for all the work, cheers everyone and see you next time Plus i got a nice souvenir on my desk 👍

Finally Home I thanks XTool

Eventee App Users: 894 Average Session Rating: 4.8



Good evening from Kochi. Touched down 5 hours ago at the Cochin international

It's home full of green . All the Kochi team

Thankyou for everyone for the amazing days we had at Czechia. Thank you Czechia for the Fab25. 🙌

Add this to your list before this message disappear with the group:- all of you welcome to kochi and to our lab, if you visit Kerala, or India.

Hope to see you all in online or in Boston.

~ Saheen

Super Fablab Kerala,- kochi 🚅



Last survivors of FAB25 team just left the

Thank you all for being perfect attendees, speakers, workshop leaders and dancers \(

Soon we will ask you for your feedback We definitely plan to follow up on the whole FAB25 so it would mean the world to us if

For me personally it was an amazing and unique experience and it open the whole new world for me. You are an amazing community!

Save travel home everyone. Barbora and FAB25 team

Highlights

Results compared with FAB24 Mexico can be found below:



+83% VIEWERSHIP

Increased participation based on FAB24 Mexico online participants. Being hybrid really helped us to be more inclusive with the community.



Increased workshop activities based on FAB24 Mexico content applications, identifying that there is high demand for hands-on activities.



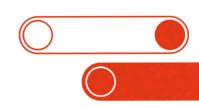
+36% REPRESENATION

Czechia served as a great location to attract more participation from a diverse number of countries, this year we included to our list 20 new countries represented by participants.





Core Team Members





Establishing a solid team ensured the success of FAB25 Czechia, bringing in people who knew the production locally and their capabilities. Dedication, passion, willingness to learn, and proactivity were critical factors for this type of production. A key host in this process was Make More, a local production company that played an essential role from start to finish. Their deep understanding of the local context, technical expertise, and hands-on support across logistics, setup, and execution helped bring the vision of FAB25 to life. Their involvement elevated the event experience and also showcased the strength of collaboration with local creative industries.

Thanks to the amazing team of 37 volunteers from Czechia: Anna Cvachová, Anna Klanicová, Beáta Baďurová, Bianca Guimarães, Dominika Šebestová, Erik Mrázek, Filip Dygas, Gabriela Kyčerková, Imrich Molnár, Ivan Sikarenko, Jana Ševčiková, Josef Čech, Josef Zemek, Kateřina Kadaňková, Katarína Turčanová, Klára Bohuslavová, Le Anh Bosáková, Lenka Poledníková, Lucie Kalábová, Martin Váňa, Matthew Koomson, Matyáš Smékal, Miriam Kudlačová, Ondra Pham, Ondrej Smatana, Ondřej Palyza, Samuel Leška, Soňa Černá, Šárka Matoušková, Steve Jar, Tereza Červinková, Valerie Ulíková, Valeriya Soldatova, Vendula Strakošová, Yasmina Jar.

FABx Events are directed by **Sherry Lassiter**, **Luciano Betoldi**, **Neil Gershenfeld**, and a 'glocal' (global & local) team each year.



ABOUT FAB EVENTS

FAB Events, FAB25 Czechia & The Fab Lab Network

FAB25 Czechia, the 21st annual global Fab Lab Conference & Symposium, marked a significant milestone, as it was beautifully and professionally produced by an extraordinary team in Czechia, including Make More and Fab Lab Brno. This event brought together members of the international Fab Lab Network (a group of more than 3,000 Fab Labs in over 160 countries), government representatives, the manufacturing industry, artists, teachers, academic researchers, and digital fabrication experts. The conference served as a platform for participants to unite, present, envision, innovate, foster community, share best practices in digital manufacturing and fabrication. Thanks to the Fab City Foundation and its network, all in attendance had a chance to engage in constructive discussions about solutions to shared global challenges. During an unprecedented era in history, FAB25 Czechia shaped a path to Bridge the Gap across communities in Europe and around the world.

Next Edition: FAB26 Boston, July 27-31, 2026













Representation of the the last six FABx Events (left to right): FAB15 Egypt 2019, FABxLive 2020 (online), FAB16 Montréal 2021 (online), back inperson Bali Fab Fest 2022, FAB23 Bhutan 2023, and FAB24 Mexico 2024.

FAB Events over the years

For the past 21 years, the annual international Fab Lab Conference & Symposium has brought together an average of 2,000 participants from 63 different countries around the world for a week of engaging discussions and activities. Fab Lab Network members from more than 3,000 Fab Labs have gathered to share, discuss, collaborate, and create community, locally and globally, around digital manufacturing, innovation, technology, and social impact. Since 2005 the FABX Event has been the largest international digital fabrication conference in the world.

The conference takes place in a different part of the world every year, depending on the host lab and city that earns the opportunity. This event is normally co-hosted by The Fab Foundation, the Center for Bits and Atoms at MIT, and a local host (FAB25 Czechia was co-hosted by Make More, Fab Lab Brno, and Asociace Otevrenych Dilen), driving and organizing activities and hosting the Academany Graduation, our international education program.





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