

## **DECREE ANNOUNCING THE ELECTION OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE RECTOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ŽILINA FOR THE TERM OF OFFICE 2026-2030**

The Rector of the University of Žilina (hereinafter referred to as the "Rector" and "UNIZA") in accordance with Section 10 (5) of Act No. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education Institutions and on the Amendment of Certain Acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Higher Education Act") and in accordance with Article 2 (5) of Directive No. 233 – Principles of Election of a Candidate for Rector and Acceptance of a Proposal for the Dismissal of the Rector of the University of Žilina (hereinafter referred to as the "Principles of Election of a Candidate for Rector", after approval by the Electoral Assembly on 1.12.2025, announces the election of a candidate for the Rector of the University of Žilina for the term of office from 03.07.2026 to 02.07.2030.

Pursuant to Section 10 (3) of the Higher Education Act and pursuant to Article 2 (1) of the Principles for the Election of a Candidate for Rector, a candidate for Rector is elected by an election assembly whose members are all members of the Academic Senate of the University and all members of the University Board of Trustees. The Electoral Assembly is convened and managed by the Chairman of the Academic Senate of the University of Žilina in Žilina (hereinafter referred to as "AS UNIZA").

Members of the academic community (individuals or groups) and members of the UNIZA Board of Trustees (hereinafter referred to as "SR UNIZA"), individuals or groups, have the right to propose a candidate for the Rector within the period specified in the election schedule, which is an integral part of this Decree.

Proposals for the inclusion of candidates for the Rector on the candidate list are submitted in writing to the members of the Election Commission in a sealed envelope marked "Proposal of the Candidate for the Rector of the University of Žilina in Žilina". The proposal must state the name, surname and titles of the candidate for the rector of the university and the name, surname, titles, date and signature of the applicant(s). The proposal may contain a maximum of one candidate for the Rector.

Nominations of candidates for the Rector can be submitted to the members of the Election Commission in person, through the registry or by post. In the case of personal delivery and submission of the application to the registry, the date of receipt is decisive, and in the case of sending the application by post, the proposal must be delivered to the university by the deadline for submission of proposals. Proposals received after the deadline are not taken into account.

The members of the Election Commission approved on the basis of Article 2(9) of the Principles for the Election of a Candidate for the Rector by the Electoral Assembly are:

prof. Ing. Ladislav Janoušek, PhD., Chairman of the Election Commission, Chairman of the AS UNIZA,

Ing. Štefan Šedivý, PhD., member of the employee section of AS UNIZA,

Ing. Jozef Paľo, PhD., member of the employee section of AS UNIZA,

Bc. Matúš Mintál, member of the student section of AS UNIZA,

prof. Ing. Milan Dado, PhD., Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees of UNIZA,

Ing. Ján Krúpa, Member of the Board of Trustees of UNIZA,

Ing. Štefan Boháček, PhD., member of the Board of Trustees of UNIZA.



## Schedule for the election of a candidate for the Rector of the University of Žilina for the term of office 2026-2030

| Date                      | Act                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Accountable                                                                 | Note                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| 1.12.2025                 | Approval of the Decree announcing the election of a candidate for the Rector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Chairman of the Electoral Assembly                                          | At the meeting of the Electoral Assembly.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2.12.2025                 | Publication of the decree on the announcement of the election of a candidate for the Rector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Rector                                                                      | UNIZA website, website of the Ministry of Education, Research, Development and Youth of the Slovak Republic, UNIZA social networks                                                                                                                                                           |
| 3.12.2025-6.3.2026        | Submission of proposals for the inclusion of a candidate for the Rector on the candidate list.<br><b>Deadline for submission of proposals for inclusion of a candidate for the Rector in the list of candidates for the Rector 6.3.2026 at 12:00 p.m. The Election Commission will meet hybrid (in-person in AS 222 and via MS Teams) at 2:00 p.m. Confirmation of the list of candidates for the Rector on 6.3.2026.</b> | Chairman of the Election Commission                                         | It is submitted to the members of the election commission by 6.3.2026 at 12:00 p.m., who inform the chairman of the AS UNIZA and then the chairman of the SR UNIZA.                                                                                                                          |
| 6.3.2026-13.3.2026        | Requesting written consents/disagreements of the proposed candidates with inclusion on the candidate list and delivery of a brief biographical and professional description by 13.3.2026 at 10:00 a.m.<br><b>Confirmation of the list of candidates for the Rector on 13.3.2026 until 3:00 p.m.</b>                                                                                                                       | Chairman of the Election Commission                                         | The Chairman of the Election Commission informs the other members of the Election Commission and the Chairman of the SR UNIZA.<br>Checking the correctness of the submitted proposals in terms of meeting the requirements and confirming the list of candidates for the Rector's candidate. |
| 13.3.2026                 | Publication of the candidate list of candidates for the Rector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Chairman of the Election Commission                                         | UNIZA website, Ministry of Education, Research, Development and Youth of the Slovak Republic website.                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 24.3.2026<br>at 5:00 p.m. | Public presentation of the candidates for the rector in the premises of the UNIZA accommodation facilities.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Chairman of the Electoral Assembly                                          | GAMA club, Accommodation facility Veľký diel, Blok GH, Vysokoškolákov 3836, Žilina                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 25.3.2026<br>at 1:00 p.m. | Public presentation of the candidates for the rector in the premises of UNIZA.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Chairman of the Electoral Assembly                                          | DATALAN Auditorium, UNIZA Campus, Univerzitná 1, Žilina                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 30.3.2026<br>from 13:00   | Meeting of the Electoral Assembly and public hearing of candidates for the Rector's candidate.<br><br><b>Election of a candidate for Rector and announcement of election results.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Chairman of the Electoral Assembly<br><br>Chairman of the Census Commission | DATALAN Auditorium, UNIZA Campus, Univerzitná 1, Žilina                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| until 2.4.2026            | Preparation of minutes on the course of the election of a candidate for the Rector                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Secretary of AS UNIZA                                                       | Minutes signed by the members of the Election Commission.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| until 14.4.2026           | Proposal of the Electoral Assembly for the appointment of the Rector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Chairman of AS UNIZA                                                        | Minister of Education, Research, Development and Youth of the Slovak Republic                                                                                                                                                                                                                |