

Schedule of Meetings of the NCP XFEL and ERI Council for 2026 and Meetings of the SK ESFRI FMEZ Commission

The schedule defines the planned dates of meetings of the Council and the ESFRI Commission, including a preliminary agenda. The schedule is an open document and may be continuously updated based on proposals from members of the ESFRI Commission and the NCP XFEL Council. The meeting agenda is determined by the Chair in consultation with the Council leadership.

Each Council meeting begins with a review of task fulfillment and resolutions. Under the "Miscellaneous" agenda item, current topics in research infrastructures under the Commission's responsibility are discussed, as well as requests for financial support. Minutes from meetings are published on the NCP XFEL and ERI website in the "Minutes from the Meetings" section.

Month	Date / Format	Preliminary Agenda
January	22.01.2026 Online 13:00	1. Information on the ESUO General Assembly in Berlin 2. Preparation for DESY-XFEL User Meeting 2026 in Hamburg 3. Information on preparation of the SFEL 2026 scientific school program 4. Schedule of the Council and ESFRI Commission meetings 5. Miscellaneous
February	23.02.2026 Online 13:00	1. Information on DESY-XFEL User Meeting 2. Status of the SFEL 2026 preparations 3. NCP XFEL and Night of Science, Science Café 4. Miscellaneous
March	30.03.2026 Online 13:00	1. Organizational arrangements for Slovak students visit to European XFEL 2. Status of the SFEL 2026 preparations 3. Big Science Business Forum 2026 (BSBF26) – Maastricht, 27–30 October 2026, future ILO activities 4. Miscellaneous
April	27.04.2026 Online 13:00	1. Status of the SFEL 2026 preparations 2. Slovakia and its membership in ELI 3. Miscellaneous
May	25.05.2026 Online 13:00	1. Organizational arrangements for Slovak students visit to European XFEL 2. Status of the SFEL 2026 preparations 3. KPIs for all RIs from year 2025 4. Miscellaneous

June	29.06.2026 Hybrid ÚFV PF UPJŠ Košice 9:00-16:00	Meeting of the SK ESFRI FMEZ Commission 1. Organizational arrangements for Slovak students visit to European XFEL 2. Status of the SFEL 2026 preparations 3. Slovakia's entry into ESRF and ELI, status of the EST project 4. Interim report on Slovak participation in BSBF26 5. Information on conclusions of the 44th E-XFEL Council meeting 6. Tasks for Summer 2026 7. Scientific laboratory excursion 8. Miscellaneous
September	03.09.2026 Online 13:00	1. Information on the funding application for NCPXFEL for the years 2026–2028 2. Status of SFEL2026 preparations 3. Status of preparations for the Slovak student visit to E-XFEL (Xcool Labs), Oct 12–15, 2026 4. Night of Science event organization 5. Miscellaneous
October	19.10.2026 Online 13:00	1. Evaluation of the SFEL 2026 2. Organizational preparation of ESFRI FMEZ Commission off-site meeting 3. Status of the BSBF26 organization 4. Content preparation for ESFRI Commission off-site meeting 5. Miscellaneous
November	30.11.2026 Online 13:00	1. Evaluation of the SK ESFRI FMEZ Commission meeting 2. Preparation for XFEL UM 2027 3. Miscellaneous
December	08.-09.12. 2026 Stará Lesná	Off-site meeting of the SK ESFRI FMEZ Commission 1. Annual activity report 2. Main activities plan for 2027 3. NCP XFEL budget for 2027 4. Progress report on the BSBF26 5. Miscellaneous