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March
2026,
Szeged

XXVI. MEETING OF NOBEL LAUREATES AND TALENTED STUDENTS

An event jointly organized by the National Biomedical
Foundation, Academia Europaea Budapest Hub
and the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

RANDY SCHEKMAN

An American cell biologist, awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine in 2013 for his pioneering research on the mechanisms of membrane transport in cells, and currently serves as a Professor in the Department of Molecular and Cell Biology at the University of California, Berkeley, as well as a Research Fellow of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute.



FERENC KRAUSZ

Hungarian-born physicist and Nobel Laureate, internationally recognized for his pioneering work on attosecond light pulses. He currently serves as Director at the Max Planck Institute of Quantum Optics in Germany and as Chair Professor at Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich. He is also Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer of the Center for Molecular Fingerprinting in Budapest, where he advances innovative research at the intersection of laser science and biomedicine. In addition, he leads the Hungarian talent development programme operating under the auspices of the Élvonal Research and Talent Development Foundation, dedicated to fostering excellence in scientific research and nurturing emerging talent.



FRANCIS CHAN

A leading expert in gastroenterology and clinical medicine, known for his work on gastrointestinal bleeding and cancer prevention. He is Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at The Chinese University of Hong Kong. He was awarded the Guanghua Engineering Science and Technology Prize from the Chinese Academy of Engineering in 2024. He is a world-renowned authority in gastrointestinal research.



HONORARY GUESTS

MARTIN MORAD

Professor of Regenerative Medicine and Cell Biology at the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) and the University of South Carolina (USC), and also serves as Professor of Bioengineering at Clemson University. In addition to his academic appointments, he is the Director of the Cardiac Signaling Center and holds the Blue Cross Blue Shield of South Carolina Endowed Chair in Cardiovascular Health.



NAOMI ELLEMERS

Dutch social and organizational psychologist who was awarded the Spinoza Prize in 2010. She is a distinguished University Professor at Utrecht University and Honorary Professor at the University of Queensland. Her research explores how identity, values, and norms shape cooperation and ethics in organizations.



TIBOR KAPU

A Hungarian mechanical engineer and astronaut. He flew to the International Space Station as a mission specialist on Axiom Mission 4 (Ax-4), which launched on 25 June 2025.



GYULA CSERÉNYI

An accomplished Electrical Engineer who has been appointed as a Backup Mission Specialist for Axiom Mission 4 (Ax-4).



ACCOMODATION

- 1 **Hunguest Hotel Szeged** (16-24 Szent-Györgyi Albert Street, 6726 Szeged)
- 2 **Novotel Szeged** (1 Maros Street, 6721 Szeged)
- 3 **Art Hotel Szeged** (16 Somogyi Street, 6720 Szeged)
- 4 **Dóm Hotel** (6 Bajza Street, 6720 Szeged)

KEYNOTE LECTURES BY DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, PLENARY SESSION

- 5 **Pick Arena** (35 Felső Tisza-Part, 6723 Szeged)

CLOSED DISCUSSION OF SZENT-GYÖRGYI STUDENTS WITH THE HONORARY GUESTS

- 6 **IH Event Center** (2 Felső Tisza-Part, 6721 Szeged)

GALA EVENT, GALA DINNER

- 7 **Szeged National Theatre** (1 Vaszy Viktor Square, 6720 Szeged)
- 8 **Hotel Tisza** (3 Széchenyi Square, 6720 Szeged)

VENUES

ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSIONS, ACADEMIA EUROPAEA PEDAGOGY SESSION, LECTURES BY EXCELLENT SCIENTISTS

- 9 University of Szeged József Attila Study and Information Centre
(10 Ady Square, 6722 Szeged)

LABORATORY PRACTICES

- 2 Novotel Szeged (1 Maros Street, 6721 Szeged)

- 3 Art Hotel Szeged (16 Somogyi Street, 6720 Szeged)

- 10 Radnóti Miklós Experimental Grammar School in Szeged,
TERMOSZ laboratory (6-8 Tisza Lajos Blvd., 6720 Szeged)

- 11 University of Szeged Báthory István Teacher Training Secondary and Primary
School, SzeReTeD laboratory (2 Szentháromság Street, 6722 Szeged)

- Németh László Secondary and Primary School in Hódmezővásárhely,
Gyulai József Natural Science laboratory
(16 Németh László Street, 6800 Hódmezővásárhely)

MARCH 29, 2026

Sunday

- 10.00-12.00** — **Arrival and registration of Szent-Györgyi Pupils**
Novotel Szeged, Art Hotel Szeged
- 11.30-13.00** — **Lunch for Szent-Györgyi Pupils**
Novotel Szeged, Art Hotel Szeged
- 13.00-19.00** — **Laboratory practices for Szent-Györgyi Pupils**
In Szeged and Hódmezővásárhely, in the National Education Centres of the Secondary School Education Program of the National Academy of Scientist Education (based on a pre-assigned schedule)
- Parallel program:*
- Guided City Tour in Szeged for the Szent-Györgyi Pupils**
- 17.00-19.00** — **Arrival and registration of Szent-Györgyi Students**
Hunguest Hotel Szeged, Art Hotel Szeged
- 18.00-21.00** — **Dinner for hotel guests**
Novotel Szeged, Art Hotel Szeged, Hunguest Hotel Szeged
- 19.00-22.00** — **Closed meeting of Szent-Györgyi Students**
Hunguest Hotel Szeged, Juhász Gyula Hall



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

MARCH 30, 2026

Monday

- 07.00-09.00** — **Breakfast for hotel guests**
Novotel Szeged, Art Hotel Szeged, Dóm Hotel, Hunguest Hotel Szeged
- 08.00-09.15** — **Closed discussion of the honorary guests with the Szent-Györgyi Students**
IH Event Center, Boncz Géza Hall
- 08.30-09.45** — **Registration**
Pick Arena
- 10.00-17.40** — **Plenary session**
Chairmen: András Varró, Péter Hegyi
Pick Arena
- 10.00-10.30** — **Conference opening**
Welcome speeches
- 10.30-10.50** — **Péter Hegyi: Introduction of the National Academy of Scientist Education**
- 10.50-11.30** — **Francis Chan: Fate, Luck, and Feng Shui**
- 11.30-12.10** — **Naomi Ellemers: On becoming a scientist M/F**
- 12.10-13.10** — **Break**
- 13.10-13.50** — **Presentation by Martin Morad**
- 13.50-14.50** — **Presentation by Tibor Kapu and Gyula Cserényi**
- 14.50-15.50** — **Break**
- Parallel program:*
- 15.00-15.45** — **Press Conference (upon invitation)**

- 15.50-16.40 — Ferenc Krausz: *Physics for Health*
- 16.40-16.50 — “Szent-Györgyi Pupil of Excellence 2026” an award ceremony followed by a presentation by the awardee Péter Róthy-Gruber: *From lead to Van Gogh’s irises*
- 16.50-17.40 — Randy Schekman: *From pond scum to Stockholm*
- 18.30-19.15 — Arrival to the Szeged National Theatre
- 19.30-21.00 — Gala event, Talent Prize Award Ceremony
Szeged National Theatre
- 21.00-22.00 — Gala dinner
Szeged National Theatre, Hotel Tisza



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

MARCH 31, 2026

Tuesday

- 07.00-08.30 — **Breakfast for hotel guests**
Novotel Szeged, Art Hotel Szeged, Dóm Hotel, Hunguest Hotel Szeged
- 09.00-11.30 — **Round table discussions for Szent-Györgyi Pupils and Szent-Györgyi Mentors**
József Attila Study and Information Centre Basement Auditorium I-II.
- Simultaneous events for pupils:*
- 09.00-09.30 — **Presentations by the 2026 Talent-Prize Awarded Scientists I.**
Charimen: András Garami, László Hunyady
Congress Hall
- 09.30-10.00 — **Presentation by Eörs Szathmáry**
Congress Hall
- 10.00-10.30 — **Break**
- 10.30-11.00 — **Presentations by the 2026 Talent-Prize Awarded Scientists II.**
Charimen: Mária Deli, Zoltán Papp
Congress Hall
- 11.00-11.30 — **Presentation by Eörs Szathmáry (repetition of his previous presentation)**
Congress Hall
- Simultaneous event for teachers:*
- 09.00-11.30 — **Academia Europaea Pedagogy session for secondary school teachers**
Grand Lecture Hall
- 11.30-12.30 — **Lunch**
Atrium Hall

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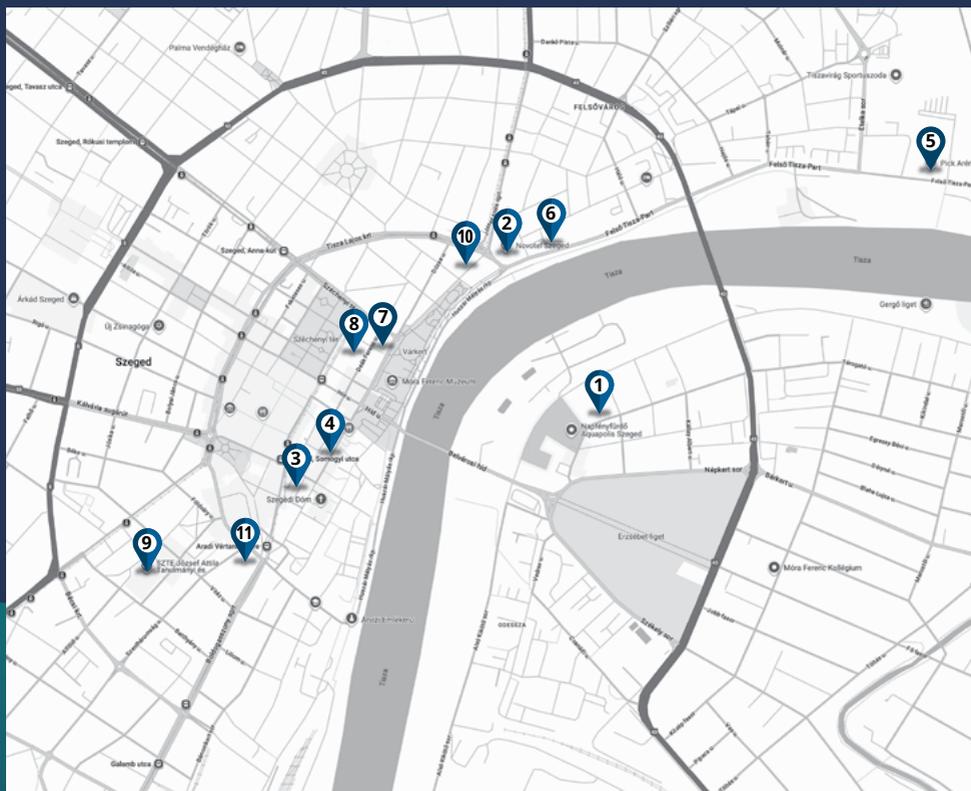
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10. RADNÓTI MIKLÓS EXPERIMENTAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL IN SZEGED
11. UNIVERSITY OF SZEGED BÁTHORY ISTVÁN TEACHER TRAINING SECONDARY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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