The three-day Nuclear Technical Symposium was a success



The flagship event of the Hungarian Nuclear Society is the Nuclear Technical Symposium, which once again provided a forum for domestic nuclear experts to exchange ideas and discuss current issues. Due to great interest, the Society organized the 22nd edition of the symposium for three days this year instead of the previous two, between 19 and 21 November 2025. The venue, the city of Szeged, also proved to be an excellent choice, winning the approval of the participants.

The program was extremely informative, with 48 plenary lectures and 11 posters presented by colleagues, and a very exciting roundtable discussion on the possibilities for establishing small modular reactors (SMRs) in Hungary or internationally.



The strength of the professional community is clearly demonstrated by the fact that **more than 140 participants from 17 institutions were present**, which ensured a high-quality program and broad representation of sectors such as research institutes, universities, authorities, NPP operators and waste management organizations. The aim of the symposium is to outline new collaborations through informal conversations and (even) debates, preparing professional actors for existing and new challenges.

The participation of a large number of young professionals is particularly encouraging, which guarantees the continuity and development of the nuclear field in the long term.

The highlight of the event was the Festive General Assembly, where, in accordance with tradition, the Society's awards were presented:

- The **Leó Szilárd Award** was received by Szabina Török
- The **Fermi Young Researcher Award** was bestowed to Tamás Hajas.



Also during the General Assembly, the certificates of recognition were presented to the winners of this year's Scientific Fiction Short Story Competition.

The symposium was concluded with an optional program, during which participants were given an insight into the world of attosecond lasers thanks to the staff of the ELI-ALPS Laser Research Institute.