



Embassy of the Czech Republic
Washington, DC



INVITATION:



The Embassy of the Czech Republic
cordially invites you to a special evening

From Farm to Table **CZECH HOP BEER MAKING**

with
Josef Patzak, Managing Director
Hop Research Institute in Žatec, Czech Republic

Zdenek Rosa, Chairman
Chmelarstvi and Bohemia Hop

Bill Butcher, Founder/Owner
Port City Brewery

followed by a tasting of beer made from Czech hops
and paired with delicious Czech cuisine
prepared by Embassy Chef Zdenek Pecka

April 12, 2017, at 5:30 pm

Embassy of the Czech Republic
3900 Spring of Freedom Street, NW
Washington, DC 20008

RSVP by April 10
<https://czechbeermaking.eventbrite.com>

Business Casual

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The evening will include a discussion on hop growing in the Czech Republic, delivery to the brewery, and using Czech hops for beer making.

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BEER EXPERTS:



Josef Patzak is the managing director of the Hop Research Institute in Žatec. Previously, he served as head of the Biotechnology Department. His research activities include hop genomics, molecular markers, biotechnology, comparative genomics, molecular study of secondary metabolites syntheses, DNA fingerprinting, in vitro cultures, molecular detection of viroids, viruses and fungal pathogens, evaluation of the hop breeding material, purity control and authentication of Czech hop cultivars. He is a member of the editorial board of the *Czech Journal of Genetics and Plant Breeding* and the Experts Evaluation Board and Panel of Research, Development and Innovation

Council, an advisory body to the Government of the Czech Republic. He has been involved in 23 research projects since 1996, 142 publications since 1997, and 51 original scientific papers (29 in impact journals). He received a Ph.D. in molecular biology, genetics, and virology from Charles University in Prague in 2001.



Zdenek Rosa is the chairman of Chmelarstvi, cooperative Zatec – a Czech hop growers cooperative offering complex services for the Czech hop growing industry, including hop machinery, cold hop storage, hop processing, hop trading, hop trellis construction, various supply of hop material including wire and bales, hop museum and hop financing for growers. Most of the Czech hop farmers (96 % of all hop acreage) are cooperative members. He also serves as Chairman of Bohemia Hop, a Czech hop trading company fully owned by Czech hop growers through Chmelarstvi, cooperative Zatec. Bohemia

Hop is trading the largest share of Czech hop production including Czech varieties – Saaz, Sladek, Premiant, Saaz Late, Kazbek, Bohemia. He serves as the vice chairman of the Hop Growers Union of the Czech Republic and chairman of the Economic Commission of the International Hop Growers Convention (IHGC). His family runs an agriculture farm in the Saaz hop growing region with 100 ha of hops.

Bill Butcher is founder and owner of Port City Brewery, established in 2011. Port City Brewing Company brews an exciting line-up of award-winning ales and lagers from their state-of-the-art facility located in the historic port city of Alexandria, Virginia. Their mission is to be a reliable and innovative brewer of delicious, well-balanced beers that celebrate their raw ingredients. Their beers can be found on tap all over the D.C. Metro, as well as their Alexandria Tasting Room, which is open seven days a week. The brewing company received the distinguished honor of 2015 Great American Beer Festival Small Brewing Company of the Year.