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**The University of the Third Age
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Previous procedures in the processing of the available materials were reassessed on the basis of the VECU partner gathering in Brno (June 2009), at which experience was shared among the individual partners, and attention focused in particular on available internet sources providing information in the German and English languages. Seniors encountered minor problems relating to the language barrier. These problems related in particular to the translation of certain Czech architectural monuments. Topics under consideration were consolidated and the team of authors strengthened. At the present time this team is comprised of five members:

- Hana Buchbergerova
- Růžena Filisteinova
- Stanislav Jansa
- Danuse Langerova
- Eva Velesiková

These are extraordinarily active students at the University of the Third Age at Brno University of Technology, who have no problem communicating either amongst their contemporaries or with the younger generation, for which reason they are capable to fulfilling the goals set out at the VECU partner meeting. This involves, first and foremost, intergenerational and intercultural comparison of the thematic areas under consideration. A special webpage allowing seniors to place their own materials on the internet has been created to facilitate communication and the presentation of material. Its incorporation into the overall web space of the VECU cultural centre is anticipated. At the present time nine thematic areas on the subject of *Tschechische Architektur des 20. Jahrhunderts* have been placed on the seniors' webpages, with further work on them to continue:

1. The Art Nouveau period from the modern perspective
2. Cubism
3. Functionalism in Prague
4. Functionalism in Brno
5. Traditional Czech architecture in the interwar period
6. The architecture of social realism
7. Brussels 58 – “The Brussels Dream”
8. The construction of large housing estates in the nineteen seventies and eighties
9. Architectural opportunities in the nineteen nineties

An expansion to these texts and the incorporation of a larger proportion of intergenerational features is planned by the next partner meeting.

The given webpage is accessible at <http://www.vojkuvka.cz/vecu/>.

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