

ATHENA Closing Symposium

Seven Years of Adaptive Streaming Research and What Comes Next

Join us as we celebrate the conclusion of the Christian Doppler Laboratory ATHENA.

After seven years of research into adaptive video streaming and emerging networked multimedia services, we will look back at ATHENA's achievements and explore the technologies, collaborations, and research questions shaping the future of video streaming.

Wednesday, 7 October 2026, 14:00–17:00

**Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt
Stiftungssaal | Room O.0.0.1**

We look forward to celebrating seven years of ATHENA with colleagues, collaborators, and friends — and to continuing the conversation about what comes next.

Free admission · Registration required via itec-sek@itec.aau.at

14:00–14:05 Welcome

14:05–14:35 Keynote: **Time to MOQ On: Leaving Legacy Latency Behind?** (Ali C. Begen, Özyeğin Univ.)

14:35–14:45 **Seven Years of ATHENA: Achievements and Impact** (Christian Timmerer)

14:45–15:00 Coffee Break

15:00–15:15 **Network-Assisted Adaptive Streaming: Toward Optimal QoE through System Collaboration** (Farzad Tashtarian)

15:15–15:30 **Beyond One-Size-Fits-All: Adaptive and Computationally Efficient Video Streaming** (Hadi Amirpour)

15:30–16:00 **Industry Panel: The Future of Video Streaming** (Chaired by Reinhard Grandl, Chief Product Officer at Bitmovin) with Bitmovers and invited guests

From 16:00 Drinks, Bites and Networking