“Europe Current Evolution”
Under the patronage of H.E. Miloš Zeman, President of the Czech Republic

Wednesday, 24 June 2015
Prague Castle

Tentative Program

09:00  Arrival and registration with coffee/tea

09:30  Welcome and Opening Addresses
Dr. Jan Koukal (Former Ambassador of the Czech Republic in Austria)
Professor Dr. Pavel Kabat (Director General and CEO, IIASA)
Dr. Hynek Kmoniček (Head of Foreign Office, Office of the President of the Czech Republic)

10:30  “Bridging the Divide”
Cultural Intermezzo by Ms. Gloria Benedikt (Dancer, Choreographer, Writer & Speaker on Arts & Cultural Policy)

11:00  Keynote Addresses
Dr. Petr Aven (Chairman of the Supervisory Board at Alfa Banking Group, Moscow)
H.E. Štefan Füle (Former European Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighborhood Policy, European Commission)

12:00  Press conference
12:30  Lunch

14:00  Panel session 1 – Current Trends in a Larger Pan Europe: Synergies, Conflicts and Solutions
This panel will focus on the economic issues, trade, security and geopolitical trends, all in the Pan Europe context, including European Union (EU) and Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC) Countries and the Ukraine.

The panel session will be opened with two framing lectures (10 minutes) by Dr. Peter Havlik (Research Economist at The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw) and Guest research scholar at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA)) and H.E. Andrey Slepnev (Member of the Board (Minister) in charge of Trade, Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC)). Each panel member will then be invited to give a short statement (5 minutes). This will then be followed by a moderated panel debate.
Panel members:
- Dr. Jan Koukal (Former Mayor of Prague and former Ambassador of the Czech Republic in Austria)
- Dr. Karel Dyba (Former minister of Industry and Trade of Czech Republic and former Ambassador to OECD)
- Mr. Evgeny Vinokurov (Director of the Centre for Integration Studies, Eurasian Development Bank, Moscow)
- H.E. Štefan Füle (Former European Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighborhood Policy, European Commission)
- Representative from the office of the European Commission in the Czech Republic

15:30 Coffee/tea break
16:00 Panel session 2 – The European Union and Larger Pan Europe in a Global Context: Externalities and Teleconnections

This panel will focus on the major global economic and geopolitical trends and developments both at present and in the future and their feedback on EU and Pan European outlooks. Key focus will be on energy, demography, human capital development and financial markets and institutions.

The panel session will be opened with three framing lectures (10 minutes) by Professor Dr. Nebojsa Nakicenovic (Deputy Director General and Deputy CEO of IIASA) on energy and Professor Wolfgang Lutz (Program Director, World Population Program, IIASA) on demography and human capital development. Each panel member will then be invited to give a short statement (5 minutes). This will then be followed by a moderated panel debate.

Panel members:
- Dr. Petr Aven (Chairman of the Supervisory Board at Alfa Banking Group, Moscow)
- Ms. Gloria Benedikt (Dancer, Choreographer, Writer & Speaker on Arts & Cultural Policy)
- Dr. Péter Balás (Deputy Director General, DG Trade and Head of the EU Support Group for Ukraine (SGUA) at the European Commission)
- Professor Dr. Pavel Kabat (Director General and CEO, IIASA)
- Dr. Jiří Weigl (Director of the Institut Václav Klause (IVK))
- Representative from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Office of the President of the Czech Republic

18:00 Evening Program

Drinks reception hosted by H.E. Mr. Sobotka (First Deputy President of the Senate of the Czech Republic) and dinner under the patronage of H.E. Miloš Zeman (President of the Czech Republic) and hosted by Dr. Hynek Kmoniček (Head of Foreign Office, Office of the President of the Czech Republic)

Attendance to the evening program is by invitation only