









CONFERENCE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE COMMITTEE FOR SCIENCE, EDUCATION, CULTURE, YOUTH AND SPORT OF THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

COMPETITIVENESS – INNOVATION – HUMAN RESOURCES

CEI COUNTRIES IN A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

28. – 29. 4. 2005 PRAGUE THE BUILDING OF CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

For: PROFESSIONALS IN HRD FROM CEI COUNTRIESI

The main theme of the conference is the position of Central Europe and the entire EU region within the context of global competitiveness. The major focus of the conference will be the emerging differences in the level of competitiveness of European countries (and specifically selected CEI countries) in comparison to the U.S. and other advanced countries.

The conference will try not only to identify the reasons for Europe's lacking behind in the ability to compete effectively, but also the approaches and necessary steps to be taken to change positively the entire region towards a greater competitiveness growth. Specific problems to be addressed are: the institutional status and financing of R&D; the systems of development and diffusion of innovation; and the dynamics of HRD. The discussion will also focus on the potential risks of continuing to increase the gap between Europe and the U.S. and the risks of possible identical developments in comparison to Asian economies in the future.



Programme:

Thursday 28	.4.2005
9.30 Opening	
Lectures	Central European Initiative Competitiveness of Europe Competitiveness of CEI countries Innovation development in Europe Innovation and human resources in the knowledge economy Challenges for Human resources development Modernisation of universities
Workshop 1	
	Partners and their role in innovation process National policy in HRD New trends in financing of university education
Workshop 2	
	Research parks and innovation centres The role of regions in HRD Entrepreneurial universities
Friday 29.4	.2005
Workshop 3	Financing of innovation process The role of social partners in HRD Expansion of opportunities and equal access to tertiary education
Closing panel	
13.00 Closure	