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# **CEI HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT FORUM**

**Prague, 20 – 21<sup>st</sup> November 2008**

**International conference of Central European Initiative under the auspices of the  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic**

**Higher Quality of Education and Training –  
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## **Information for Participants**





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## 1. Accommodation

The accommodation has been pre-booked for you

- nights **20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> November 2008**. These 2 nights will be paid from conference budget. It is also possible to book the accommodation for more nights paid from own resources.
- at the **Hotel President**

**Address:** Namesti Curieovych 100, 110 00 Prague 1

**Tel:** +420 234 614 111

**Fax:** +420 234 614 110

**Web sites:** <http://www.hotelpresident.cz/>

The President Hotel is conveniently located in the heart of Prague, on the right bank of the Vltava River and within walking distance of the Prague Castle, the Jewish Quarter and the beautiful Old Town.

**The hotel is closed to all conference venues (the map is attached).**

Please complete the accommodation registration form and send it to following email address [kuzelkova@nvf.cz](mailto:kuzelkova@nvf.cz) or by fax +420 224 500 503 by 24<sup>th</sup> October 2008 at the latest.





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## **2. Transportation**

**The conference participants will arrange their own transportation to/from the hotel. The travel costs are not covered by organizers.**

### **Means of transport**

**Nearest underground station:** Staromestska (0,3 km) - green line "A"

**Nearest bus/ tram stop:** Pravnicka fakulta (0,1 km) - Tram 17, Bus 133

**Distance from international airport:** 15 km

**Time by taxi:** approximately 20 minutes

**Distance from the main railway station:** 3 km

**Time by taxi:** approximately 5 minutes

- **Public transportation**

You must buy a ticket before travelling at the arrivals lobby, at ticket machines or at the newsagents. Tickets cost 26 CZK. When buying 26 CZK ticket for public transport you will receive a transferable ticket allowing you to travel for a 90 minute period. The tickets must be validated at the entrance of the bus or metro station.

### **How to get to the hotel President from the airport**

From the stop in front of the international terminal at the airport, take Bus 119 to Dejvicka (approximately 25 minutes). From Dejvicka, go by metro (green "A" line) to Staromestska station (approximately 6 minutes). Take Bus 133 to Pravnicka fakulta (next stop) or go on foot. Cross the street towards the Hotel InterContinental and turn left. After you pass the Hotel InterContinental, turn right.

### **How to get to the hotel President from the railway station**

Both the Central Railway Station and Holesovice Railway Station are situated on the red "C" line of the metro. Take the metro to Florenc and then take Bus 133 to Pravnicka Fakulta, which is situated in front of the President Hotel Prague.

- **Taxi and shuttle service**

Travel to the hotel from the airport could be via taxi or shuttle. One of the recommended taxi services is Prague Airport Transfers <http://www.prague-airport-transfers.org/>.

### **GENERAL TAXI ADVICE:**

Be aware that Prague taxi drivers may try to overcharge tourists. Save money and pre-book reliable taxi transfer. If you take a taxi there, we advise you to negotiate a price before you get in. Average taxi price to the centre: around 650 CZK (26€).



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### **3. CEI Focal Points Network Human Resources Development Meeting – only for members of the Focal Point Network**



Focal Point meeting will take place on **20<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at 17:00** in the building of the Ministry for Regional Development of the Czech Republic in Prague 1, Staromestske namesti (Old Town Square) No. 6, Meeting room, 1<sup>st</sup> floor. The Ministry is within a walking distance from your hotel, approximately 10 minutes (the map is attached).

### **4. Social event – welcome drink and concert**



Welcome meeting will take place on **20<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at 19:00** in the Stone Bell House, Prague 1, Staromestske namesti (Old Town Square) No. 13. The short concert of the Prague Conservatoire is on the agenda of this meeting. The Stone Bell House is within a walking distance from your hotel and from Ministry for Regional Development also (the map is attached).





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## **5. Venue of conference**

The conference will take place on **21<sup>st</sup> November 2008 at 9:00 (registration)** in **Hotel President** in Prague 1, Namesti Curieovych 100.



## **6. Basic Information about Prague**

Welcome to Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic and one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Situated in the heart of Europe, Prague is a historical city with a modern spirit. Its cultural heritage and architectural treasures give it the name “Golden Prague” or “The City of a Hundred Spires”.

The dominant site of the city is the Prague Castle with its St Vitus cathedral. The Castle dates back to the 9th century and it is one of the largest castle complexes in Central Europe. Today it serves as the seat of the President of the Czech Republic.

On your way from the Castle to the Old Town you will cross the 515 metre-long Charles Bridge, the oldest bridge in Prague. It was built in 1357 by Charles IV and is decorated by statues dating primarily from the 18th century. The Charles Bridge is a part of the so-called “Royal Mile”, the road leading from the Prague Castle to the Royal Court, formerly the seat of the Czech King, where the Municipal House is located today.

Following the “Royal Mile”, you will reach the Old Town Square, the most significant square of historical Prague. There you can admire several sites: the Old Town Hall and Church of Our Lady before Tyn, the famous Astronomical Clock – Horologe, the baroque St Nicholas Church, the rococo Kinsky Palace, the gothic Stone Bell House, and the Memorial to Master John Hus, sculptured by Ladislav Saloun (1915). The Prague meridian can be seen in the central part of the square.



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Close to the Old Town Square is the Jewish Quarter, which dates back to the 13th century and includes an ancient cemetery and a number of synagogues, the Old-New Synagogue being the most famous. The present appearance of the Jewish Quarter is mainly the result of a vast redevelopment project which took place from 1893 to 1913. Art nouveau Parizska Street, known for its numerous luxury designer shops, serves as Jewish Quarter's central corridor.

You can find basic info and pictures at <http://www.pis.cz/en/prague/monuments>.

You can attend also theatres, cinemas, concerts and museums and galleries. For a programme look at <http://www.pis.cz/en/prague/events>.

### **7. Other Useful Information about Prague and Czech Republic**

At [http://www.pis.cz/en/prague/abc\\_for\\_tourists](http://www.pis.cz/en/prague/abc_for_tourists) is available all necessary information you may need: important telephone numbers and addresses, international dialing codes, customs requirements and offices, postal services, currency, transport, medical care, embassies, tourist information services, etc.

We believe that you will find this information useful. We look forward to meeting you and we wish you a very pleasant journey to Prague.