



CEI HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT FORUM

Prague, 19th – 20th November 2009

An international conference

Why and How to Forecast the Labour Market Needs?

Information for Participants



1. Accommodation

The accommodation has been booked for you at the **Hotel Ambassador – Zlata Husa (Ambassador - the Golden Goose)**.

Address: Vaclavske namesti 5 - 7, 110 00 Prague 1

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Web sites: <http://www.ambassador.cz>

Note: 2 nights (**19th and 20th November 2009**) will be paid from the conference budget. Extra nights will be paid from your own resources (108 EUR/1 night).

The Hotel Ambassador – the Golden Goose is located in the historic and cultural centre of Prague - Wenceslas Square. The entire historic sites of Prague are easily accessible by foot.

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



History

Prague city Hotel Ambassador – The Golden Goose was built in 1920 on the famous Wenceslas Square, in the centre of Prague. The history of Hotel Ambassador is rather ordinary, while, on the other hand, the history of the Golden Goose is quite humorous. The original owner was a very rich widow who had a young but very ugly and simple daughter. Although her daughter was very wealthy and of an age to be married, she remained single. As she never married, she became known in Prague as “The Golden Goose”. This is just a short excerpt from long history of the hotel. In 1964 both hotels joined together.

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: Mustek (50 m) - green line "A"

Distance from international airport: 11 km

Time by taxi: approximately 40 minutes

Distance from the main railway station: 1 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 Ambassador – the Golden Goose 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 Mustek station (approximately 10 minutes). Mustek station is only 50 m away from the hotel.

How to get to the hotel Ambassador – the Golden Goose 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 Muzeum, change the line (green "A" line) and go by metro to Mustek station. Mustek station is only 50 m away from the hotel.

The hotel Ambassador – the Golden Goose is within a walking distance from the Central Railway Station (approximately 10 minutes).

- **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€).

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

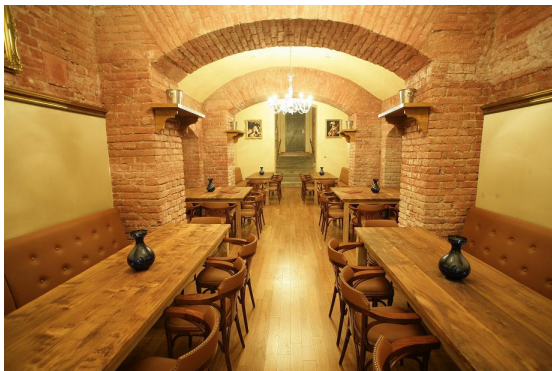
Focal Point meeting will take place on **19th November 2009 at 17:00** at the hotel Ambassador – the Golden Goose, Prague 1, Vaclavske namesti 5 – 7, French restaurant.

4. Social event – concert and wine tasting

All participants of the conference are cordially invited to participate in the welcome meeting.



Welcome meeting will take place on **19th November 2009 at 19:30** in the Chapel of Mirrors, Prague 1, Marianske namesti 5. The short concert of the Prague Conservatoire is on the agenda of this meeting. The Chapel of Mirrors is within a walking distance from your hotel (the map is attached). *Our hostess will be waiting for you at 19:00 in the reception hall.*



All conference participants are invited to a wine tasting held in the historic cellars of National wine bank, Prague 1, Krizovnicka 1. National wine bank is within a walking distance from the Chapel of Mirrors (approximately 5 minutes).

5. Venue of conference

The conference will take place on **20th November 2009 at 9:00 (registration)** in Hotel **Ambassador – the Golden Goose** in Prague 1, Vaclavske namesti 5 – 7, Dvorak Hall.



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.

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 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.