

The 25th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Visegrad Cooperation

Thursday, 18 February 2016

Czernin Palace, MFA, Prague

- Programme** **Great Hall** (Czernin palace, Loretánské náměstí 5, Prague 1)
- 10:15 – 10:30** Registration
- 10:40 – 11:45** **Future of the V4 on the Background of Results Achieved in 25 Years**
Miroslav Lajčák, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic
Péter Szijjártó, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary
Witold Waszczykowski, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland
Lubomír Zaorálek, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic
Libor Rouček, Former member of the European Parliament
*Chair: **Michal Kořan**, Deputy Director, Institute of International Relations Prague*
- 11:50 – 12:30** **Think Visegrad – V4 Presidency Mid-Term Review Presentation**
*Chair: **Tomáš Strážay**, Senior Researcher, Central and Eastern Europe Program, Slovak Foreign Policy Association*
Michal Kořan, Deputy Director, Institute of International Relations Prague
- 12:30 – 12:45** Coffee Break
- 12:45 – 13:30** **A presentation of the report on the future of the Visegrad Group by a panel of eminent persons**
Pavol Demeš, Independent Expert, Non-Resident Senior Fellow with the German Marshall Fund
Wojciech Jerzy Gizicki, Associate Professor, Institute of Political Science and International Affairs, Faculty of Social Sciences, John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin
Jacek Purchla, Head of the Department of Economic and Social History, Krakow University of Economics
Libor Rouček, Former member of the European Parliament
*Chair: **Dániel Bartha**, Executive Director, Centre for Euro-Atlantic Integration and Democracy (CEID), Hungary*

13:30 – 14:30 Buffet Lunch

Programme **Mirror Hall**

14:30 – 16:00 **Central Europe in the Future EU: A Non-Visegrad Perspective**
(Mirror Hall)

Matej Avbelj, Associate Professor of European Law, Dean at the Graduate School of Government and European Studies

Rick Fawn, Professor, School of International Relations, University of St Andrews

Kai-Olaf Lang, Senior Fellow, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin

Martin Michelot, Head of Research at the EUROPEUM Institute for European Policy in Prague

*Chair: **Benjamin Tallis**, Research Fellow, Institute of International Relations Prague and the Coordinator of the Institute's Centre for European Security*

16:00 – 17:00 Glass of Wine

Czech/English simultaneous translation will be provided only in the Great Hall.