

# The 25th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Visegrad Cooperation

17-18 February 2016

Czernin Palace, MFA, Prague

## Programme

Wednesday 17 February 2016

Venue: Institute of International Relations (IIR), Nerudova 3, Prague 1

**14:00** Pick up at the hotel reception – our assistant will accompany you to the IIR

**14:30 – 16:00** **Think Visegrad coordinators – internal meeting**

**16:30 – 18:00** **Think Visegrad coordinators – meeting with the IVF and MFA representatives**

**19:30** **Dinner**

Venue: Restaurant Nebozizek, Petrinske sady 14, Prague

Transportation to the restaurant will be available at 19:15 from the hotel Orea Hotel Pyramida (Bělohorská 24, Prague 6)

Thursday 18 February 2016

Venue: Czernin Palace, Loretánské náměstí 5, Prague 1

**8:45** Transportation from the hotel to the conference venue

**9:00 – 10:00** **Think Visegrad representatives' meeting – mid-term review (Mirror Hall)**

**10:00 – 10:30** **V4 Ministers of Foreign Affairs and Panel of eminent persons participation at the Think Visegrad representatives meeting (Mirror Hall)**

**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 (tbc)

**11:50 – 12:30** **Think Visegrad – V4 Presidency Mid-Term Review Presentation**

**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

**Katalin Szili**, Commissioner of the Hungarian Prime Minister at the State Secretariat for National Policy

*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.