

„Searching for Economic National Interests“

Date and Place: 9th June 2011, Mirror Hall of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Prague

Programme

13:30-14:00 Registration

14:00-15:30 Panel I:

The Prospects of Euro in the Czech Republic and Beyond

Chair: Petr Drulák, Director, Institute of International Relations

Participants:

Ansgar Belke, Professor, Chair for Macroeconomics at the University Duisburg-Essen, member of the “Monetary Experts Panel” of the European Parliament

Kateřina Šmídková, Executive Director, Economic Research Department, Czech National Bank

Pavel Mertlík, Chief Economist, Raiffeisenbank a.s., Prague, and Associate Professor, Institute of Economic Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University, Prague

15:30-16:00 Coffee break

16:00-17:30 Panel II:

Political Economy of National Interests

Chair: Kateřina Šafaříková, Journalist, Respekt

Participants:

Evžen Kočenda, Professor, The Center for Economic Research and Graduate Education (CERGE), Charles University, Prague

Vladimír Benáček, Associate Professor, Institute of Economic Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University, Prague

Zdeněk Drábek, former Senior Adviser, Research Department, World Trade Organization, Geneva

17:30 Reception