



EASTERN PARTNERSHIP FIVE YEARS ON: TIME FOR A NEW STRATEGY?

International conference organized on the occasion of the 5th anniversary of the founding Prague Eastern Partnership Summit.

The conference is held under the auspices of the President of the Czech Republic, Miloš Zeman.

Date and time Friday, 25 April, 2014, 8:15 – 16:45

Venue: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Loretánské náměstí 5, Prague 1

Working languages: English and Russian (simultaneous interpretation)

DRAFT PROGRAMME (as of Tuesday, 8 April, 2014):

08:15 – 09:00 **Registration and Coffee**

09:00 – 09:30 **OPENING REMARKS**

Chair: Petr Mareš, Special Envoy for Eastern Partnership, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Prague

Lubomír Zaorálek, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Prague

Giorgi Margvelashvili, President of Georgia, Tbilisi (*tbc*)

Štefan Füle, European Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighbourhood, Brussels

09:30 – 11:15 **PANEL #1: From Prague to Vilnius: What Have We Learnt about Each Other?**

Chair: Petr Drulák, First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Prague

Nadezhda Arbatova, Head of Department on European Political Studies at the Institute for World Economy and International Relations (IMEMO), Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow

Valeriu Chiveri, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Republic of Moldova, Chisinau

Gernot Erler, Coordinator for Russia, Central Asia and the Eastern Partnership, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin (*tbc*)

Petro Poroshenko, Member of the Parliamentarian Committee of the European integration of the Parliament of Ukraine, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Economy of Ukraine, Kyiv (*tbc*)

Vigen Sargsyan, Chief of the Presidential Administration, Office to the President of the Republic of Armenia, Yerevan

Richard Tibbels, Head of the Eastern Partnership, Regional Cooperation and OSCE Division; European External Action Service (EEAS), Brussels (*tbc*)

11:15 – 12:15 **Buffet Lunch**

12:15 – 14:00 **PANEL #2: Economic Aspects of the EaP: Zero-sum Game between the EU and Russia?**

Chair: Petr Kolář, Former First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Prague

Torbjörn Becker, Director, Stockholm Institute of Transition Economics, Stockholm School of Economics, Stockholm

Dmitry Chernobay, Supervisory Board Member, JSC Eurocar, Kyiv (*tbc*)

Kai-Olaf Lang, Head of Research Division on EU Integration, German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Berlin

Oleksandr Sushko, Research Director, Institute for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation; Member of the Steering Committee, Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum, Kyiv

14:00 – 14:30 **Coffee Break**

14:30 – 14:45 **KEYNOTE SPEECH**

14:45 – 16:30 **PANEL #3: EaP in the Long Run: Civil Society Potential**

Chair: Jiří Schneider, Former First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Prague

Leila Alieva, Director, Center for National and International Studies; Member of the Steering Committee, Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum, Baku

Alexander Duleba, Director of the Research Center, Slovak Foreign Policy Association, Bratislava

Uladzimir Matskevich, Head of the Board of International Consortium “EuroBelarus”, Minsk

Boris Navasardian, President, Yerevan Press Club; Member of the Steering Committee, Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum, Yerevan

Jerzy Pomianowski, Executive Director, European Endowment for Democracy, Brussels

16:30 – 16:45 **CLOSING REMARKS: From Vilnius to Riga**

Andrejs Pildegovičs, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia, Riga

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