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Czech Presidency in numbers

- Representatives of the Czech Republic chaired over **3,000** meetings at different levels in the Czech Republic, in Brussels or elsewhere in Europe and in the world. About **25** meetings took place every working day. The Prague Congress Centre hosted some **80** one- to three-day meetings sometimes more than one in a single day.
- During the six months of the Presidency some **30,000 foreign delegates** attended the Presidency events in the Czech Republic.
- 3,730 journalists, including 2,049 foreign media representatives, reported on events taking place in the Czech Republic.
- More than 2 million people from the Czech Republic as well as from abroad visited the www.eu2009.cz website the largest Presidency website audience in recent years.
- **4,000 standard pages of texts** were translated.
- **80,000 copies of various brochures and 30,000 accreditation badges** were distributed among delegates, journalists and the public.
- 14,000 ties, 7,000 scarves and 36,000 pens were given out at events in the Czech Republic.
- Interpreting was provided at 65 events (there were 80 interpreters and 28 booths at the largest event)
- Accommodation was provided to 30,000 mostly foreign guests in the Czech Republic.
- **69 "liaison officers"** accompanied and attended to foreign delegations.
- **70 cars, 70 minivans and 20 buses** were rented for a symbolic CZK 1 to provide transport of delegations.
- **CZK 1.9 billion** was earmarked for the Presidency for the period 2007 2009 from the General Treasury Administration.
- **146** diplomats from the Permanent Representation chaired the meetings of a total of 150 working groups of the EU Council.
- Some **1,500 Czech civil servants**, including **338** new recruits, worked for the Presidency.
- Over 70 EU-level events took place outside Prague.
- Over **500** cultural events took place under the auspices of the Czech Presidency in the Czech Republic, elsewhere in Europe and in the world