

**Conference of Foreign Affairs Committee  
Chairpersons (COFACC)****Prague, 9 – 10 March 2009****Draft programme  
(as of 5 March 2009)****Sunday, 8 March 2009**

- Arrival of delegations
- 14.00 – 19.30 Registration of participants at the hotels
- 16.00 – 18.00 Guided tour of the Old Town of Prague
- 19.30 Departure by bus to Prague Castle
- 20.00 Dinner hosted by Ms. Alena Gajdůšková, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President of the Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic  
*The Vikárka Restaurant, Vikářská 39, Prague 1 (Prague Castle)*

**Monday, 9 March 2009**

- Collective departure from the hotels to the Chamber of Deputies
- 8.20 Registration of participants at the Chamber of Deputies  
*Chamber of Deputies, Sněmovní 1, Meeting room no. 205, Prague 1*
- 8.40 Opening of the conference:  
**Ms. Alena Gajdůšková**, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President of the Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic  
Welcome address:  
**Mr. Jan Hamáček**, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic  
**Mr. Jiří Dienstbier**, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Security of the Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic
- 9.00 Priorities of the Czech Presidency of the European Union  
**Mr. Mirek Topolánek**, Prime Minister of the Czech Republic
- 10.30 Coffee break
- 10.45 Foreign Policy Priorities of the Czech Presidency of the European Union  
**Mr. Karel Schwarzenberg**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic
- 12.15 Family photo
- 12.35 Buffet lunch  
*Kaiserštejnský palace, Malostranské náměstí 23/37, Prague 1*

- 14.30 The current Priorities of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP)  
**Mr. Javier Solana**, High Representative of the Council of the EU for the Common Foreign and Security Policy
- 16.00 Coffee break
- 16.20 The role of the EU in dealing with international challenges  
**Mr. Alexandr Vondra**, Deputy Prime Minister for European Affairs of the Czech Republic
- 17.50 End of the session
- 19.15 Departure by bus to Troja Castle
- 20.00 Dinner hosted by **Mr. Jan Hamáček**, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic  
*Troja Castle, U Trojského zámku 1, Prague 7 - Troja*

### **Tuesday, 10 March 2009**

- Individual departure from the hotels to the Chamber of Deputies
- 9.00 **Mr. Gerardo Buganza Salmerón**  
Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Deputies of the Congress of Mexico
- 10.30 Coffee break
- 10.45 The Afghan experience:  
**Mr. Václav Pecha**, former Head of Civilian Part of Czech-led PRT in Logar
- 12.15 Conclusions of the conference:  
**Mr. Jan Hamáček**, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic  
**Mr. Jiří Dienstbier**, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Security of the Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic
- 12.30 End of the conference
- 13.00 Buffet lunch hosted by **Mr. Jiří Dienstbier**, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Security of the Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic  
*Senate, Valdštejnské náměstí 17/4, Prague 1*
- 14.30 Return to the hotels