



národní  
úložiště  
šedé  
literatury

## **Annual Report 2011 - European Values Think-Tank**

Janda, Jakub  
2012

Dostupný z <http://www.nusl.cz/ntk/nusl-155798>

Dílo je chráněno podle autorského zákona č. 121/2000 Sb.

Tento dokument byl stažen z Národního úložiště šedé literatury (NUŠL).

Datum stažení: 28.04.2024

Další dokumenty můžete najít prostřednictvím vyhledávacího rozhraní [nusl.cz](http://nusl.cz).



# ANNUAL REPORT 2011

EUROPEAN VALUES THINK-TANK

Dear Reader,

you are holding the Annual Report of the European Values Think-tank, in which we would like to present our programs realized in 2011.

***European Values is a non-governmental, pro-European organization that, through education and research activities, works for the development of civil society and a healthy market environment.***

From 2005, we continue in our role as a unique educational and research organization and think tank, which contributes to public and professional discussion about social, political and economic development in Europe.

In the Czech Republic we point out that, due to our membership – active and constructive – of the European Union we can for the first time in modern history participate in decision-making processes concerning the future of Europe, and ensure that we are no longer just a passive object of desire of large powers in our neighbourhood.

With our international program, European Values Network, from 2007, we also contribute to a Europe-wide debate on the challenges that Europe faces today. We believe that the public and politicians do not recognize that the benefits of post-war development on our continent can not be taken for granted, and that there are many global trends that threaten the freedom, security and prosperity of Europe as a whole. We analyze these social, political, security and economic trends, and we offer solutions to problems associated with them.

In addition to publishing our own books, publications, studies, recommendations, comments, and media contributions and commentary, we also organize seminars, conferences and training courses for professionals and the wider public. In our activities we arrange dialogue between politicians and journalists, businessmen and academics.

The well-known personalities among guests at our activities in previous years included, among others:

Petr Nečas, Prime Minister of the Czech Republic

Karel Schwarzenberg, Foreign Minister of the Czech Republic

Alexandr Vondra - Deputy Prime Minister for European Affairs

André Glucksmann – French philosopher

Elmar Brok – MEP, former Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee

Eneko Landaburu - Director-General of the DG External Relations of the European Commission

Jan Michal, Head of the Representation of the European Commission in the CR

Marco Buti, Director-General for Economic and Financial Affairs at the European Commission

Miroslav Singer, Governor of the Czech National Bank

Franz Fischler - former European Commissioner

Gunnar Hökmark – MEP, Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs

Jan Kohout- former Czech Ambassador to the EU

Jan Zahradil - Member of the European Parliament

Jana Hybášková - Member of the European Parliament

Jiří Dienstbier - former Czechoslovak Minister of Foreign Affairs

Jiří Šedivý - former Chief of the General Staff of Army, Czech Republic

Josef Zieleniec - Member of the European Parliament

Karel Kovanda - Deputy Director General for External Relations of the European Commission

Klaus Hänsch – MEP, former President of the European Parliament

Libor Rouček – Member of the European Parliament

Lukáš Macek - Director of the European Programme in Dijon, Scineces-Po Paris

Sylvie Goulard - President of the European Movement in France

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

ABOUT US .....	5
WHAT IS EUROPEAN VALUES THINK-TANK? .....	5
OUR MISSION .....	5
OUR GOALS.....	6
OUR PEOPLE .....	6
MANAGEMENT .....	8
BRIEF HISTORY of our educational activities .....	8
WHAT THEY SAID ABOUT US .....	10
EUROPEAN VALUES THINK-TANK IN 2011.....	13
EUROPEAN VALUES NETWORK 2011 - MEETING IN ZAGREB.....	13
THE SECRET OF CZECH SUCCESS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION.....	14
PUBLICATION <i>THE SECRET OF CZECH SUCCESS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION?!</i> .....	17
INTERNAIONAL CONFERENCE: FUTURE OF THE EURO-ZONE AND ROLE OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC .....	20
OUR PARTNERS IN 2011: .....	21
HOW TO REACH US.....	22

## ABOUT US

### WHAT IS EUROPEAN VALUES THINK-TANK?

**European Values Think-tank** is a non-governmental, pro-European organization that, through education and research activities, works for the development of civil society and a healthy market environment.



linked to any political party.

**Since 2005, through research and education, we** have been striving for an informed and sophisticated public debate in support of the success of the Czech Republic in the world. We are not afraid to tackle the difficult questions facing our society. We support solutions that make both the Czech Republic and Europe freer, stronger and safer. We are a non-governmental non-profit institution, which is not

We produce our own publications including monographs, research papers, policy papers, recommendations, and comments for media. We organize conferences, seminars and trainings for experts and wider public. At our events we provide a platform for dialog amongst politicians, professionals, journalists, businesspeople and students.

### OUR MISSION

The two-fold mission of European Values Think-tank is to provide European-dimension debate in the Czech Republic and to promote civil society participation in EU and national level public affairs. The main national programmes are: public debates (“European Club”), annual international conferences, and workshop educational programs for adult and youth learners. The international programme “European Values Network” is organized on the European level.





Since 2005 the European Values Think-tank has organized over 28 one- or several-day events attended by total of approx. 1000 participants mainly from among civil society workers from around 20 EU member states. The EV has successfully organized projects independently or in cooperation with partner organizations supported by grants from the Czech Government, European Commission, European Parliament, EU member states embassies, regional administrations, as well as public and private foundations and companies.

## OUR GOALS

The particular focus of the European Values Think-tank is in fostering civil society interest and participation in democratic political process at national and EU level by

- ✓ providing educational and public debate programmes primarily for civil society workers
- ✓ actively contributing to the public debate on EU affairs with publications and event-based activities.

The educational and public debate programmes include summer schools, workshops, conferences, seminars, round-tables and debates on various EU-policy issues (e.g. EU policy agenda, economic policy, immigration policy, external affairs policy, institutional questions, etc.). Public debate contributions by the EV include series of printed and electronic commentaries, research papers, policy papers, edited monographs etc. focused both on EU-policy issues and their relation to public and civil society participation.

## OUR PEOPLE

### **RADKO HOKOVSKÝ**

#### **Executive Director and Chair of the Managing Board**

Radko Hokovský the Executive Director and Chairman of the European Values Think-tank, where he has been working since 2005 as a volunteer, project manager, coordinator of international cooperation and as executive secretary. Between 2007 and 2010 he was a president of international research project called European Values Network. In the past he worked at Association for International Affairs and at Youth European parliament in the Czech Republic.



His interests are internal security of the European Union and institutional affairs of European union. Radko Hokovský authored and coauthored many expert and academic publications as

much as presentations on international conferences. He lectures at the Institute of Political Sciences of the Faculty of Social Sciences of the Charles University.

He works on his dissertation at the Department of International Relations of Faculty of Social Sciences at Charles University, where he also completed bachelor's degree in field of Politology and International Relations. He finished his master's degree („Master of European Studies“) at Center for European Integration Studies(ZEI) at University of Bonn. In 2005 he took a 3 -month internship in European parliament at Office of Josef Zieleniec, MEP. He also participated in Robinson-Martin Security Scholars program at Prague Security Studies Institute in Prague.

## **ANNA MATUŠKOVÁ**

### **Vice-Chair of the Managing Board**

She teaches Masaryk University in Brno where she earned her Ph.D. , in 2004 she studied at the University of Wroclav. Anna Matušková is a former Fulbright stipendist at Columbia University of New York. Her main interests are political marketing issues and election campaigns issues. Before she started study at university she used to work for Czech media (Lidové noviny, Týden). Since 2005 she is vice president of



European Values, in 2006 Anna Matušková was as project manager coordinated international conference „European values and identity for 21st century“. She's member of Political Marketing Group PSA, she is interested in bilateral relations between European union and the United States of America, politics, communication, marketing, modern art and languages.

## **VÁCLAV LEBEDA**

### **Vice-Chair of the Managing Board, Programme Director**

Václav Lebeda is an expert of the European Affairs Department of the CEZ Group, before that he worked as an assistant to Member of the European Parliament, Mr. Josef Zieleniec. He has worked with the European Values association since 2006 and was mainly contributing to programme development of projects. From September 2007 he is Executive Programme Director and from June 2008 also Vice-President of





the association. He has graduated in European Studies from Sciences Po Paris and completed Lycee Carnot in Dijon.

From 2004 to 2005 studied within an exchange programme at University of Warsaw. He has also completed several internships in public services, including Czech foreign representation in Belgium, European Parliament, French National Assembly and AFP press agency. He is interested in history and European integration, especially foreign and neighbourhood policy of the EU, relations with Russia, EU enlargement and institutional functioning of the EU.

## MANAGEMENT

### JAKUB JANDA

#### Project coordinator

Jakub Janda is the Project Coordinator of European Values Think-tank, political analyst and internal Advisor to the member of Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of the Czech Republic. Jakub Janda is student at College of international and Public Relations Prague. He still works for the humanitarian agency ADRA. He often publishes in Czech mainstream and expert media. See more at [www.JakubJanda.com](http://www.JakubJanda.com)



### PETR NÁDRAVSKÝ

He is studying diplomacy at College of International and Public Relations Prague, he has worked in the public sphere of health industry. Petr Nádravský works with the European Values Think-tank as a project coordinator and takes care of logistic and technical issues of our events.



## SUPERVISORY BOARD

- Renata Křivánková - chairman
- Jana Holcová - member
- Petr Holec - member

## BRIEF HISTORY OF OUR EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

The European Values has practical experience in working with learners from civil society organizations (including their leaders, workers and volunteers) from two kinds of projects:

✓ **Residential workshops on political communication**

that were designed for civil society workers and leaders with a specific need to improve their competences in the area of political communication and marketing with the aim of enhancing public participation in democratic political process at national and EU level. Two four-day such workshops were organized in 2008 and 2009.

- ✓ Various **non-residential events including public and non-public conferences**, seminars, round-tables and debates organized for civil society representatives, political parties professionals and interest groups representatives (on various topics of EU policy agenda).

Over 700 individual participants attended such events organized by the European Values Think-tank since 2005.

The European Values Think-tank has also organized over ten residential Workshops since 2006, both for adult and youth participants, including:



- ✓ **EXPERT WORKSHOPS** (four-day) for civil society workers on political communication composed of trainings and simulations led by high level practitioners (2008, Telc: Political Marketing for the elections to the European Parliament; 2009, Trebon: Political Communication and the EU)

- ✓ **EUROPEAN VALUES NETWORK** – educational and policy-research programme for young scholars and professionals including three-day workshop meeting in Brussels and four-day workshop and conference meeting in Prague (four programmes organised in 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010)
- ✓ **SUMMER SCHOOLS** (four-day) for university students composed of lectures by high profile practitioners and training simulations (2006, Horní Sokolovec: From Identity to European Integration & simulation of the European Council; 2007, Svatý Jan u Prahy: Way Towards Well Operational EU & simulation of the European Parliament)
- ✓ **IN TOTAL OVER 200 ADULT AND OVER 50 YOUTH LEARNERS** from more than 20 different EU member states completed residential educational programmes organized by the European Values Think-tank.

The European Values Think-tank has successfully organized four annual programmes of the European Values Network – a unique educational and policy-research programme for young scholars and professionals. The programme involved every year around fifty participants from approx. sixteen EU member states who took part in working groups, which met during three-day workshop meetings in Brussels and four-day workshop and conference meetings in Prague. So far four EVN programmes were organised in 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010. More information at [www.europeanvalues.net](http://www.europeanvalues.net)

In addition the European Values Think-tank maintains transnational and European-wide cooperation being active member of the European Movement and other European networks. The European Values Think-tank regularly organizes international expert conferences with speakers from various EU member state.

## WHAT THEY SAID ABOUT US (in 2009)

- ❖ *"I have had the pleasure of cooperating with European Values' team and I have been impressed by their enthusiasm and the quality of their work. Their contribution to the European debate is most valuable, particularly at a time when the EU has to find a way out of the global crisis and address the unprecedented challenges of this century."*

**Alain LAMASSOURE**

*Member of the European Parliament and former Minister for European Affairs of the French government*

- ❖ *“Activities of the European Values association and its European Values Network contribute significantly to promotion and preservation of the values that our European community is, and should continue to be, built on.”*

**Elmar BROK**

*Member and former Chairman of the Foreign Affairs of the European Parliament*

- ❖ *“It is has been a delight to cooperate with European Values over the past year. They are one of the few think-tanks in Europe with a truly European perspective on major policy and political issues.”*

**Simon HIX**

*Professor of European and Comparative Politics, London School of Economics and Political Science*

- ❖ *„European Values association has grown in four years of its existence from purely citizens’ initiative in a respected think-tank, which plays an indispensable role in the Czech debate about European integration. It provides space for debate and comes up with new agenda that is essential for the future of our position in the European Union, but also for the form of the European integration itself. At the European level, the European Values association through its European Values Network contributes significantly to the forming of European civic society and all-European awareness of societal challenges. Their work thus deservedly merits respect and support.”*

**Josef ZIELENIEC**

*Member of the European Parliament and former Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech government*

- ❖ *„The French Embassy appreciates and supports activities of the European Values association for their contribution to enrichment of the public debate about Europe not only in the Czech Republic, but also among young people on our continent.”*

**H. E. CHARLES FRIES**

*Ambassador of the French Republic to the Czech Republic*

- ❖ *"I very much appreciate the work done by European Values association. Members of your association really strengthen Europe as a respected partner in world politics."*

**H.E. Helmut ELFENKÄMPER**

*Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Czech Republic*

- ❖ *"I have very much appreciated my participation in the conference activities of European Values. At a time when some discordant voices throw an uncertain light on the Czech Republic's commitment to the values of a more integrated and more democratic European Union, organisations such as European Values are of all the greater importance for citizens both in the Czech Republic and throughout the EU."*

**John PALMER**

*Co-founder and longstanding Political Director of the European Policy Centre in Brussels*

- ❖ *„Together European Values association and the Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation have organized several seminars and conferences in 2008 highlighted by the seminar on political marketing for the European Parliament elections in September as well as a conference regarding elections and democracy in the EU in November. These are just some steps which contribute to the overall framing of Europe and its values in the Czech Republic. In the year of the Presidency the partnership between the European Values association and the Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation is an even more important one. For now I want to congratulate the European Values association for the successful mutual cooperation based on trust and friendship.“*

**Hubert GEHRING**

*Director of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Prague Office*

- ❖ *"Any debate is good. When it is among nations from different corners of the world, it is better. The European Values Network does this."*

**Tomáš SEDLÁČEK**

*Chief macroeconomic strategist of the ČSOB bank*

## EUROPEAN VALUES THINK-TANK IN 2011

### EUROPEAN VALUES NETWORK 2011 - MEETING IN ZAGREB

(1 – 3 July 2011, Zagreb)

#### PROGRAMME ANNUAL REPORT:

<http://www.evropskehodnoty.cz/en/images/stories/VZ09 aj baner.jpg>

**Chief “local” Organizer:** Milan C. Jelic (Argentina/Croatia)

**EVN Participants:** Igor Breitner (HU), Cillian O Donough (IR), Radko Hokovsky (CZ), Milda Macenaite (LT), Maximo Miccinilli (IT), Antonio Dai Para (IT), Theo Vasilopoulos (GR)



The

European Values Think-tank has successfully organized four annual programmes of the European Values Network – a unique educational and policy-research programme for young scholars and professionals. The programme involved every year around fifty participants from approx. sixteen EU member states who took part in working groups, which met during three-day workshop meetings in Brussels and four-day workshop and conference meetings in Prague. So far four EVN programmes were organised in 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010. More information at [www.europeanvalues.net](http://www.europeanvalues.net)

The European Values Network (EVN) is a platform of young European scholars and professionals who are inspired by the values of liberty, personal responsibility, and an active



civil society, and who want to propose solutions to enhance Europe's freedom, safety, strength, and prosperity.

EVN was found in 2006 by European Values o.s. in cooperation with partners from Germany, Poland and Hungary. Today EVN is the biggest and most important programme of EV, which is managed together with the EVN International Organizing Committee. Every year new participants join our annual programme and, within working groups, meet in Brussels and Prague, and have the opportunity to discuss their proposals with leading European politicians and experts. The output of EVN – the publication of policy papers - is then distributed widely between institutions and organizations in Europe.

The European Values Network 2011 Meeting in Zagreb included a Discussion Meeting with Professor Ante Barisic at the Political Science Faculty in the University of Zagreb and discussions on the European Values Movement.

## THE SECRET OF CZECH SUCCESS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

**Expert Conference on the priorities of the Czech Republic & their promotion in the EU**  
(15 June 2011)



**Place:** Refektář Malostranského paláce - Profesní dům,  
Matematicko-fyzikální fakulta UK, Malostranské náměstí  
25, Praha 1

**Organizers:** European Values Association and  
Konrad Adenauer Stiftung

Conference included contribution on following topics:

**Searching for a Key to the Success of the Czech Republic in the EU** Hubert Gehring, Head of  
the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Office in the Czech Republic

*The Czech Republic in the EU – view from the outside*

**Václav Lebeda**, Programme Director, European Values Association

*Presentation of the main conclusions of the publication The Secret of Czech Success in the EU?!*

**Second panel called Coordination of Priorities of the Czech Republic in the EU tried to find responses to:**

- a) *Who should determine and formulate a list of Czech priorities in the EU?*
- b) *To what extent is a political consensus necessary in the European affairs? How to achieve it?*
- c) *Should the role of the central coordinator be enacted by law? Who should be a head of the coordination organ?*



**Jiří Schneider**, First Deputy Foreign Affairs Minister of the Czech Republic

*What should be the role of the FA Ministry in coordination of the Czech priorities?*

**Vojtěch Belling**, Director General for European Affairs, Office of the Government

*Strengths and weakness of European affairs coordination in the Czech Republic: is the new Conception about to bring an improvement?*

**Luděk Niedermayer**, Director of Deloitte Consulting CZ, former Vice-Governor of the Czech National Bank

*Economic priorities of the Czech Republic in the EU: how to adjust strategies of different departments?*

**Tomáš Karásek**, Director of the Research Centre of the Association for International Affairs

*Foreign and security priorities of the Czech Republic in the EU: how to achieve synergies between departments?*



Chair: **Radko Hokovský**, Chairman, European Values Association

### Successful Promotion of the Czech Priorities in the EU

- a) *What is the biggest obstacle for successful operation of the Czech Republic in the EU?*
- b) *How to explain disinterest of political parties in the European affairs?*
- c) *How to make a best use of Czech officers in the EU institutions and generally of Czechs in Brussels?*

**Lukáš Macek**, Director of the European Programme at Sciences-Po Paris in Dijon  
*In what kind of EU will the Czech Republic best advance its interest?*

**Radek Špicar**, Vice-President of the Confederation of Industry of the Czech Republic for Economic Policy and Competitiveness  
*Czech business and the EU: how to strengthen synergies with the state administration and political representation?*

*What should be the principles for successful operation of the Czech Republic in the EU?*  
*What can political parties do to improve the current situation?*

**Marek Ženíšek**,  
Vice-President of  
TOP 09 for  
International  
Affairs, Deputy  
Minister of Justice  
for International  
Relations

**Vladimír Špidla**,  
Spokesman of ČSSD  
for European  
Affairs, former  
Member of the  
European  
Commission and  
Prime Minister of the Czech Republic



Chair: **Václav Lebeda**, Programme Director, European Values Association

## **PUBLICATION *THE SECRET OF CZECH SUCCESS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION?!***

- DOWNLOAD THE WHOLE PUBLICATION AT  
[http://www.evropskehodnoty.cz/docs/Tajemstvi\\_ceskeho\\_uspechu\\_publikace\\_web.pdf](http://www.evropskehodnoty.cz/docs/Tajemstvi_ceskeho_uspechu_publikace_web.pdf)

This publication tried to answer questions as: Can the Czech Republic be more successful in the European Union? Can we make better use of the possibilities our membership in the Union offers us? Can we even count ourselves among the states which have a crucial voice in everyday decision making, among those states that will determine the further direction of European integration?

### **Tajemství českého úspěchu v EU?!**

Radko Hokovský  
a Václav Lebeda (eds.)



It is obvious after seven years of Czech membership in the EU that we are not as fully satisfied with our performance in the Union as we would desire, which is pointed out not only by experts from academic, private and state spheres but also by political representatives. Foreign observers are even more critical as they frequently characterize our country as a player who, despite not knowing exactly what he wants, tends to take an opposing viewpoint all the more loudly. There is nothing wrong about expressing disapproval, of course, if it is based on interests that are important to us, but the problem is that we are often unable to identify these interests, thus frequently becoming, quite unnecessarily, an unintelligible, unpredictable and, therefore, unreliable partner. This situation is reflected in the academic community, on forums of non-governmental organizations and efforts to solve the situation occur at the state administration level, too.

### **CONCEPT OF THE PUBLICATION**

This was exactly the intention of the agreement concluded between the European Values Association, which make efforts to encourage the discussion on European topics in the CR,

and between the Prague representation of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung on the development of an edited monograph, which would contribute to the public discussion on the Czech Republic's perspective within the Union. It is our view that the absence of a list of key interests and priorities, which could be shared in consensus across the political spectrum and clearly define the role of the CR in the EU even for foreign partners, is the main deficit of the Czech European policy. When we started working on the initial concept of the publication in the summer of 2010, we had the idea of producing a collection of contributions, each of them elaborating upon one of the European policies, which are crucial to CR.



After a series of consultations with representatives of the state administration and other experts, who are in constant engagement with Czech policy in the EU, it became clear that the majority of items, which we wished to include in this publication, already existed in various forms to a lesser or greater extent. In particular it became apparent that the problem of a lack of a clear list of priorities is superseded by the problem of a wider definition of our role in EU, its

consensual accepting throughout the political spectrum and mainly the capability and willingness to saturate this role by professional, pragmatic and proactive manner by means of permanent effort at all levels. Indeed a number of experts indicated this aspect of the publication's concept as more needed, resp. producing higher added value.

This publication is based on the preceding efforts by the European Values Association related to the issues of Czech policy in the EU. E.g. in April 2010 we arranged the first closed round table with experts from political parties on the priorities of the CR in the EU and on the necessity efficient coordination of European issues at national level.

## OUTLINE OF THE CHAPTERS

This publication is divided into four chapters. The first chapter offers an answer to the question of what are the interests of the Czech Republic in today's world and what aspects of the European Union corresponds best to these interests. This defines the basis for the second chapter, which contains analysis of four EU policy areas and recommendations for these policy areas, which the CR should preferably focus upon. The third chapter outlines the priority goals of the Czech Republic and offers an answer to the question of how the Czech positions should be defined at national level and their successful enforcement in European institutions.



The final chapter of the publication includes three essays by non Czech authors, each of them considering the interests of the Czech Republic in the EU from different aspects. Finally, we have tried to summarize the recommendations of individual chapters and to

formulate clear and precise answers to the question of whether the success of our country in the European Union is in a shroud of mystery or not. We have approached leading experts in their respective fields each who have been dealing with these on a long-term basis, many of them having practical experience with state administration. The introductory part is dedicated to the basis for a discussion on Czech Republic's priorities in the European Union.

#### AUTHORS OF CHAPTERS:

- **Roman Joch**, director of the Civic Institute and adviser to the Prime Minister on foreign affairs and human rights.
- **Lukáš Macek**, director of the European Studies programme at Paris Institute of Political Studies – Sciences-Po – in Dijon.
- **Luděk Niedermayer**, Consulting Director in Deloitte in the CR and former Vice Governor of Czech National Bank.
- **Filip Černocho**, analyst of the International Institute of Political Science in Brno.
- **Tomáš Karásek**, director of a Research centre of Association for International Affairs and Vice Dean of Faculty of Social Sciences of Charles University.
- **Lenka Ptáčková Melicharová**, former Deputy of Minister of the Interior for European Affairs.
- **Marek Souček**, former Deputy Director of European Policies Coordination Department of the Office of the Government of the CR.
- **Ivan Hodáč**, Secretary General of one of the strongest professional industrial associations in the EU – European Automobile Manufacturers' Association.
- **Piotr Maciej Kaczynski**, analyst at the think-tank Centre for European Policy Studies in Brussels
- **Kai-Olaf Lang**, Deputy Research Director of research institute Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik in Berlin.
- **Radovan Geist**, publisher of a news portal devoted to European issues EurActiv.sk, and also lecturer on European Integration at Komenský University in Bratislava.





## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE: FUTURE OF THE EURO-ZONE AND ROLE OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE TO MARK 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE RE-FOUNDING OF THE  
EUROPEAN MOVEMENT IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

This Conference of the European Movement in the Czech Republic was organized by the European Values (member organization of the European Movement) in cooperation with the Office of the Government of the Czech Republic, the Representation of the European Commission, the Polish Presidency of the EU Council, the Embassy of France to the Czech Republic



**DATE: 24 October 2011, Prague**

### Official Opening: Current Challenges of the Euro-Zone

- ❖ **Vojtěch Belling**, Secretary of State for EU Affairs, Office of the Government of the Czech Republic
- ❖ **Pierre Lévy**, Ambassador of France to the Czech Republic
- ❖ **Josef Zieleniec**, President of the European Movement in the CR
- ❖ **Jan Michal**, Head of the Representation of the European Commission in the CR

**Key-Note Speech:** **Pat Cox**, former President of the European Parliament, President of the European Movement International



### Euro and Central Europe – Regional Perspective

- ❖ **Marco Buti**, Director-General for Economic and Financial Affairs at the European Commission
- ❖ **Vladimír Dlouhý**, Member of the Government's National Economic Council, economic advisor to Goldman Sachs
- ❖ **Jan Mládek**, Shadow Minister of Finance (Social Democratic Party), Chairman of association Fontes Rerum
- ❖ **Martin Šuster**, Director of Research Department, National Bank of Slovakia

## Position of the Czech Republic and Interests of the Business Sector

- ❖ **Miroslav Singer**, Governor of the Czech National Bank
- ❖ **Oldřich Dědek**, National Coordinator of the Introduction of the Euro, Czech Ministry of Finance
- ❖ **Pavel Mertlík**, Chief Economist Raiffeisenbank and former Czech Minister of Finance
- ❖ **Radek Špicar**, Vice-President for Economic Policy and Competiveness, Confederation of Industry of the Czech Republic



**Reception under the Auspices of the Polish Presidency of the EU Council**, Polish Embassy in Prague<sup>1</sup>

Toast: **Jan Pastwa**, Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to the Czech Republic

## OUR PARTNERS IN 2011:



***Evropské hnutí v České republice***  
***European Movement in the Czech Republic***



ÚŘAD VLÁDY ČESKÉ REPUBLIKY



**Zastoupení  
Evropské komise  
v České republice**



## HOW TO REACH US

CONTACT		European Values o.s.
Office		Vltavská 12 (VŠFS building), 150 00 Praha 5, Czech Republic
Telephone		+420 210 088 877
Web		<a href="http://www.evropskehodnoty.cz">www.evropskehodnoty.cz</a> <a href="http://www.europeanvalues.net">www.europeanvalues.net</a>
E-mail		<a href="mailto:info@evropskehodnoty.cz">info@evropskehodnoty.cz</a>
Facebook		<a href="https://www.facebook.com/Evropskehodnoty">www.facebook.com/Evropskehodnoty</a>
Statutory seat		Ohnivcova 56, 147 00 Praha 4, Czech Republic
ID (IČO)		26987627 (registered as civic association by the Ministry of Interior on 7. 2. 2005)
Chairman & Director	Radko HOKOVSKÝ	<a href="mailto:hokovsky@evropskehodnoty.cz">hokovsky@evropskehodnoty.cz</a>
Vice-Chair	Anna MATUŠKOVÁ	<a href="mailto:matuskova@evropskehodnoty.cz">matuskova@evropskehodnoty.cz</a>
Vice-Chair	Václav LEBEDA	<a href="mailto:lebeda@evropskehodnoty.cz">lebeda@evropskehodnoty.cz</a>
Project Coordinator	Jakub JANDA	<a href="mailto:janda@evropskehodnoty.cz">janda@evropskehodnoty.cz</a>

*This annual report was composed by Jakub Janda, [janda@evropskehodnoty.cz](mailto:janda@evropskehodnoty.cz).*