

Czech Presidency Newsletter

14 April 2009

This week's events:

Informal meeting of Environment Ministers starts TODAY

The Informal Meeting of the EU Environment Ministers will be held on 14 and 15 April in Prague and the Krivoklat castle.

<http://www.eu2009.cz/en/news-and-documents/news/informal-meeting-of-environment-ministers-starts-on-tuesday-16679/>

ICT Research and Innovation Conference starts on Thursday

A three day conference supported by 30 exhibition stands will showcase, explore and debate how Europe can turn visionary research into technologies that will improve lives and boost the knowledge economy.

<http://www.eu2009.cz/scripts/modules/diary/action.php?id=467>

Seminar on e-Communications: "Future Europe: Modern Communications for Everyone"

The seminar will be dedicated to modern communication technologies and their future in the light of the European regulatory framework for electronic communications and its implementation. Event will take place on 15 and 16 April.

<http://www.eu2009.cz/scripts/modules/diary/action.php?id=461>

Conference on the Microbial Threat to Patient Safety in Europe

Prague will host a Ministerial Conference on the Microbiological Threat to Patient Safety on 15 – 16 April 2009.

<http://www.eu2009.cz/scripts/modules/diary/action.php?id=458>

Last week's events:

Justice and Home Affairs Council

The Justice and Home Affairs Council met on 6 April 2009 in Luxembourg. Minister of Justice Jiří Pospíšil and Minister of the Interior Ivan Langer chaired the Meeting.

<http://www.eu2009.cz/en/news-and-documents/news/justice-and-home-affairs-council--16114/>

Minister Kalousek responded to your chat questions

Car scrapping scheme, inflation concerns, G20 or accounting standards. These are some of the issues addressed by the Czech Finance Minister in the European chat.

<http://www.eu2009.cz/en/news-and-documents/news/minister-kalousek-responded-to-your-chat-questions-16513/>

Globalisation Fund will help alleviate crisis effects

The European Union will acquire another tool to help alleviate the effects of the economic crisis.

<http://www.eu2009.cz/en/news-and-documents/news/globalisation-fund-will-help-alleviate-crisis-effects-16584/>

Czech Presidency reduces companies' administrative burden

European companies will save up to 165 million euros every year thanks to new, simplified requirements for submission of information on their mergers or divisions. The deal has been brokered by the Czech Presidency.

<http://www.eu2009.cz/en/news-and-documents/news/czech-presidency-reduces-companies-administrative-burden-16591/>

Czech Presidency to hold three important summits in Prague in early May

On 7 May the Employment Summit and the Eastern Partnership Summit will take place. The summit "Southern Corridor – New Silk Road" will be held on 8 April.

<http://www.eu2009.cz/en/news-and-documents/news/czech-presidency-to-hold-several-important-summits-in-prague-in-early-may-16667/>