

Czech Presidency Newsletter

6 January 2009

Presentation of the priorities and programme of the Czech Presidency

On 6 January 2009 at 11 a.m. Prime Minister of the Czech Republic Mirek Topolánek, and the Deputy Prime Minister Alexandr Vondra, will present the priorities and the programme of the Czech Presidency.

<http://www.eu2009.cz/en/news-and-documents/news/presentation-of-the-priorities-and-programme-of-the-czech-presidency--4746/>

Post your questions today for the chat with Czech Prime Minister Topolánek

Prime Minister M. Topolánek will answer your questions online on 6 January at 15:00. Deputy Prime Minister A. Vondra will answer your questions after the Informal Meeting of the General Affairs Council on 9 January at 10:30 a.m.

<http://www.eu2009.cz/en/news-and-documents/news/the-czech-presidency-will-answer-your-questions-in-an-online-european-chat--4465/>

Meeting of the Government of the Czech Republic with the European Commission

Meeting of the Government of the Czech Republic with the European Commission will take place in Prague on the 7 January 2009. Press conference: 07.01.2009, 15:15 - The Office of the Government of the Czech Republic (Straka Academy), Prague

<http://www.eu2009.cz/en/news-and-documents/news/meeting-of-the-government-of-the-czech-republic-with-the-european-commission-4754/>

Informal Ministerial Meeting of the General Affairs Council

On the eve of the meeting of the General Affairs Council, the gala opening of the Czech Presidency will take place at the National Theatre, with the participation of Prime Minister Mirek Topolánek and President of the European Commission José Barroso. The opening will be followed by a gala dinner hosted by Alexandr Vondra, Deputy Prime Minister for European Affairs, in Obecní dům (Municipal House).

<http://www.eu2009.cz/en/news-and-documents/news/informal-ministerial-meeting-of-the-general-affairs-council--4760/>

Launch Conference of the European Year of Creativity and Innovation

The aim of the European Year 2009 is to promote creativity and innovation as the key competence of all individuals. The European Year will be launched by an expert conference that will be opened with speeches by European Commissioners Ján Figel' and Janez Potočnik, as well as Czech Ministers Ondřej Liška and Václav Jedlička. The tradition of declaring the European Year dates back to 1983, and the EU often chooses the themes together with the Council of Europe. Date: 7.1.2009 in Prague

<http://www.eu2009.cz/en/news-and-documents/news/launch-conference-of-the-european-year-of-creativity-and-innovation-4757/>