



Europe – Whole and Free? Two Decades Since the End of the Warsaw Pact

Prague, June 27 – 28, 2011

June 26

20.00 - 22.00

“Pink Tank Party” - informal welcome cocktail
hosted by a partner of the Conference Opona o.p.s.

June 27

8.30 - 9.30

Registration of participants

9.30 - 10.30

Opening of the Conference

at the Seat of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic - Czernin Palace

Welcome Addresses

Mr. Karel Schwarzenberg, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic
Mr. Alexandr Vondra, Minister of Defense of the Czech Republic

Opening Addresses

Mr. Mikhail Gorbachev, Head of State of the Soviet Union (1988 - 1991)*
Mr. George H. W. Bush, President of the United States of America (1989 - 1993)* (video)
Mr. Václav Havel, President of Czechoslovakia (1989 - 1992)
and President of the Czech Republic (1993 - 2003)

Tribute to Mr. Ronald D. Asmus, late U.S. Diplomat and Political Analyst, instrumental figure
in the expansion of NATO to include former members of the Warsaw Pact

10.30 - 10.50

Coffee Break // Press Conference (foyer of the Masaryk Apartment)

10.50 - 12.30

Panel 1

Dissolving the Warsaw Pact and Filling in the Vacuum

Mr. Hans-Dietrich Genscher, Vice Chancellor and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Germany
(1974 - 1992)

Mr. Jean-Pierre Chevènement, Minister of Defense of France (1988 - 1991)

Mr. Mirosław Jasiński, Co-Founder of Czechoslovak - Polish Solidarity

Mr. Vladimir Lobov, Army General, Chief of Staff of the Unified Armed Forces of the Warsaw Pact
(1989 - 1991)

Moderated by Mr. Michael Žantovský,
Spokesman and Advisor to President of Czechoslovakia (1990 - 1991)

Discussion

12.30 - 14.00

Buffet lunch

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14.00 - 15.30

Panel 2 **Unfinished Agenda I: Past and Future of Enlargement**

Mr. Malcolm Rifkind - Foreign Secretary (1995 - 1997) and Defense Secretary of Great Britain (1992 - 1995)

Mr. Géza Jeszenszky, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Hungary (1990 - 1994)

Mr. Władysław Bartoszewski, Minister of Foreign Affairs (1995, 2000 - 2001)

Mr. Jaroslav Šedivý, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic (1997 - 1998)

Mr. Anatoly S. Chernyaev, Foreign Policy Advisor to Mr. Mikhail Gorbachev (1986 - 1991)*

Moderated by Mr. Jiří Schneider, First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic

Discussion

15.30 - 15.45

Coffee break

15.45 - 17.15

Panel 3 **Unfinished Agenda II: Integrating Russia**

Ms. Vaira Vīķe-Freiberga, President of Latvia (1999 - 2007)

Mr. Alexander Bessmertnykh, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Soviet Union (1991)

Mr. Luboš Dobrovský, Minister of Defense of Czechoslovakia (1990 - 1992)
and Ambassador of the Czech Republic to Russia (1996 - 2000)

Mr. František Mikloško, President of the Slovak National Council (1990 - 1992)

Mr. Dennis Ross, Director of Policy Planning in the State Department, U.S.A. (1989 - 1993)* /

Mr. Paul Wolfowitz, Deputy Secretary of Defense of the U.S.A. (2001 - 2005)*

Moderated by Mr. Petr Luňák, NATO Public Diplomacy Division

Discussion

18.30 - 20.30

Evening Reception

in the garden of the Wallenstein Palace - Seat of the Czech Senate
featuring an exhibition of photographs co-produced by the Military History Institute and
a non-governmental organization Opona, o.p.s.

Open remarks

Mr. Přemysl Sobotka, 1st Vice-President of the Czech Senate

Mr. Karel Schwarzenberg, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic

Mr. Alexandr Vondra, Minister of Defense of the Czech Republic

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9.00 - 10.30

Panel 4
Deployments of Soviet Troops on the Territory of Warsaw Pact Members and their Departure

Mr. Michael Kocáb, Member of the Federal Assembly of the Czechoslovak Republic and Chairman of its Commission for the withdrawal of Soviet troops (1989 - 1991)

Mr. Svetozár Nađovič, Major General, coordinating the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Czechoslovakia

Moderated by Mr. Jiří Šedivý, First Deputy Minister of Defense of the Czech Republic

Discussion

10.30 - 10.45

Coffee break

10.45 - 12.15

Panel 5
Warsaw Treaty Organization from the Prague Spring till its Demise

Mr. Douglas Selvage, Office of the Federal Commissioner for the Records of the State Security Service the former German Democratic Republic

Mr. Vojtěch Mastný, National Security Archive in Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

Mr. Alex Pravda, Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre, St Antony's College, Oxford

Mr. Jordan Baev, Coordinator of the Cold War Research Group, Bulgaria

Mr. Vladislav Zubok, Associate Professor, Department of History, Temple University Philadelphia, U.S.A. *

Moderated by Mr. Oldřich Tůma, Director of the Institute for Contemporary History, Czech Academy of Science*

Discussion

12.15

Buffet lunch

*to be confirmed



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