









# **Internal Cohesion of the Visegrad Group**

22 June, 2012

#### **Conference Program**

### **Conference Venue:**

Congress Center of VEDA – Publishing House of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Štefánikova 3, Bratislava

- 9:00 Registration of participants
- 9:30 Opening: Dr. Juraj Marušiak, Institute of Political Science, Slovak Academy of Sciences
- 9:45 Opening remarks: Dr. Miroslav Pekník, Director of the Institute of Political Science, SAS

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#### 10:00 First Session

**Chair:** Dr. Oľga Gyárfášová, Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences, Comenius University, Bratislava

Prof. Dr. ZdeněkVeselý (Centre of International Studies, Faculty of International Relations, University of Economics, Prague, Czech Republic)

Visegrad Cooperation - Historical Tradition and its Meaning

Dr. Artur Wolek (Institute of Political Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland)

The Demise of the Visegrad Project and a New Hope for an Intensive Bilateral Cooperation Area

Prof. Franjo Štiblar (School of Law, Economic Institute of the School of Law, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia)

Economic Legitimacy of the Visegrad Four

### **Discussion**

#### 11:15 Coffee break

#### 11:30 Second Session

**Chair:** Dr. Artur Wolek Institute of Political Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland

Dr. Andor Mészáros (Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Piliscsaba, Hungary)

The Visegrad Topic in University Education

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Dr. Oľga Gyárfášová (Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences, Comenius University, Bratislava)

Mental Map of the Visegrad Group or how do We Perceive Ourselves

Prof. Svetozár Krno (Faculty of Arts, Constantine the Philosopher University, Nitra, Slovakia)

Centripetal and Centrifugal Forces within the Visegrad Group

Dr. Juraj Marušiak (Institute of Political Science, Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava, Slovakia)

Central Europe as the Source of Destabilization? Nationalism, Particularism and Social Discontent in Central Europe as a Potential Threat of the Destabilization of the EU

**Discussion** 

13:30 Lunch

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From Hotel UVS: Bus Nr. 44, at the Siemens bus-stop change to trolleybus Nr: 212 or Nr. 206 and continue to the Hodžovo námestie bus stop (Hotel Crowne Plaza)

