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**Early Lessons from the Post-Cold War Era:
Western Influences on Central Eastern European Transitions**

Agenda

October 12-13, 2000

Hotel Devín, Bratislava, Slovakia

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October 12

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. LUNCH

1:00 - 1:10 p.m. **Welcoming Remarks**

Grigorij Meseňíkov, President, Institute for Public Affairs, Slovakia
Josef Janning, Deputy Director, Center for Applied Policy Research, Munich

1:10- 3:00 p.m. **Political/Military Influences on the Czech and Slovak Republics**

What effect have NATO and EU accession processes had on domestic politics in the Czech and Slovak Republics? Which internal forces have been strengthened? Which internal forces have been weakened?

Michal Lobkowicz, MP, Former Minister of Defense of the Czech Republic
Martin Bruncko, Director of Foreign Policy Studies, Institute for Public Affairs
Kristin Schreiber, Member of Cabinet of Commissioner Verheugen

Comments: Martin Brusis, Research Fellow, Center for Applied Policy Research, Munich

Moderator: Josef Janning, Deputy Director, Center for Applied Policy Research, Munich

3:00 - 3:30 p.m. BREAK

3:30 - 5:30 p.m. **Economic Influences on the Czech and Slovak Republics**

What effect have international actors (World Bank, IMF, OECD, and Foreign Investment) had on economic transition in the Czech and Slovak Republics? To what extent do US and EU interests influence international economic organization policies? How could the West more effectively aid economic development in the Czech and Slovak Republics?

Dr. Jeffrey Sachs, Director of the Center for International Development, Harvard University, USA (by videoconference)
Ingrid Brocková, Deputy Director, Foreign Policy Planning Unit, Slovak Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Dr. Mitchell Orenstein, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, USA

Comments: Carlos Silva, World Bank Senior Economist for the Czech Republic and Slovakia

Moderator: Josef Janning, Deputy Director, Center for Applied Policy
Research, Munich

7:00 p.m.

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Speaker: Ivan Mikloš, Deputy Prime Minister of Slovakia

October 13

9:00 – 11:45 a.m.

Lessons Learned from the Past Decade of Transition in Central and Eastern Europe: A Regional Perspective

What are the most important lessons to be learned from Central and Eastern Europe's experience with democratic and economic transition? Do the lessons of the Czech and Slovak Republics still stand when compared with other transitions in the region? What are the major political and economic challenges Central and Eastern Europe will face in the upcoming decade?

Dr. Geoffrey Pridham, Director, Centre for Mediterranean Studies,
University of Bristol

András Inotai, Director General, Institute for World Economics, Budapest

Andreas Wörgötter, Head of Country Studies V Division, OECD

Comments: František Šebej, Chairman of the European Integration
Committee,

Slovak Parliament

Moderator: Franz Kaps, World Bank Senior Advisor to the Europe and
Central

Asia Vice-President

12:00 a.m.

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