



THE INTERNATIONAL FORCE GROUP

33rd FORCE ANNUAL CONGRESS

23rd-25th April 2012

PRESIDENT HOTEL

Prague, Czech Republic



CONGRESS PROGRAM

- April 21:** Arrival of participants (Individual check-in at hotel) and Executive Committee Meeting
- April 22:** Boat trip on Vltava River including lunch (11.30 am to 12.30 pm)
Welcome Cocktail Reception at President Hotel (6.30 pm to 8.30 pm)
- April 23:** **33rd FORCE Annual Congress** (8.30 am to 5.00 pm)
Informal dinner at Brewery Restaurant “*U Fleků*” - sponsored by Bohemia Cargo (from 7 pm)*
- April 24:** Bilateral Meetings (9.00 am to 5.00 pm)
Gala Dinner (starting at 6.30 pm)
- April 25:** Bilateral Meetings (9.00 am to 12.00 pm)
Official closure of the 33 FORCE Annual Congress
Departure of participants

*(Optional tour of the brewery founded in 1499. Approximate length 30 minutes. Total cost per person: CZK 160,-)

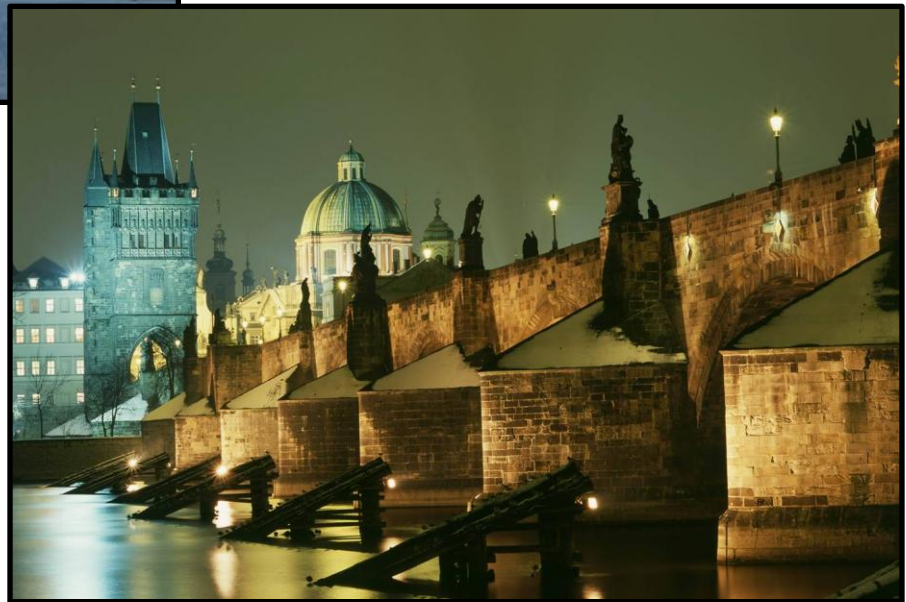
CONGRESS FEES

AGM ATTENDANCE

First Delegate of each country member: FREE (including cocktail party, lunch during AGM, Monday gala and dinner)

Second delegate: EURO 450 per person

Guests: EURO 250 per person (welcome cocktail, Monday informal dinner and gala dinner)



ROOM RATE

- Single room EUR 125 per night (breakfast included)
- Double room EUR 135 per night (breakfast included)

ATTENTION:

The respective reservation link (password: FORCE) is <http://www.hotelpresident.cz/>; All participants are supposed to register there no later than on January 31, 2012. After this date hotel does not guarantee special conference rate of € 125/135 per room and night.

ROOMS



COUNTRY INFORMATION

A. CURRENCY

Although the Czech Republic is a member of EU, it is not so far a member of the Eurozone and for this reason the Euro is not the official currency here. Currency used in Czech Republic is **Czech crown Kc (koruna)**; Currency is easily convertible, many exchange offices can be found easily in the city center as well as on the airport. Contemporary exchange rate is approximately **Kc 25 / EUR 1**

Price Examples:

Restaurants

- Dinner in a midrange restaurant – 600 CZK
- Lunch in a pub – 150 CZK
- Local beer (0,5litre draught) – 30 to 80 CZK
- Soft drinks – 35 CZK

Transportation

- Taxi Airport to City centre – 650 CZK
- Taxi within city centre – 180 to 450 CZK
- One day pass public transport ticket – 100 CZK

International payment cards are widely accepted in hotels, stores, restaurants, etc.

COUNTRY INFORMATION

B. WEATHER

Spring is considered to be one of the best times to visit Prague since the weather is mild and not too hot or oppressive. In addition, the city's numerous gardens are in full bloom and the hotel rates are still very reasonable. The weeks in early spring might still be chilly, but from mid-April until May, the weather will only continue to get warmer with each passing day.

Average temperatures in individual months in the CR

Year	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2011	-2,1 c	-3,0 c	3,2 c	12 c	12,8 c	16,1 c	21,6 c	20,9 c	14,4 c	7,2 c	3,8 c	-1,6 c
2010	-5,4 C	-2,9 C	1,5 C	10,3 C	11,5 C	15,8 C	21,4 C	19,4 C	14,8 C	10,8 C	3,4 C	-0,5 C
2009	-4,5 C	-2,2 C	2,2 C	12,9 C	12,4 C	14,0 C	20,2 C	20,7 C	15,8 C	11,4 C	6,5 C	-1,2 C
2008	0,4 C	1,6 C	2,4 C	10,6 C	13,2 C	16,8 C	22,0 C	20,9 C	16,8 C	12,7 C	6,4 C	-0,4 C
2007	2,5 C	1,9 C	4,5 C	12,2 C	13,5 C	17,5 C	22,7 C	19,9 C	15,0 C	12,0 C	5,2 C	-2,0 C

COUNTRY INFORMATION

C. TRAVEL INFORMATION

- Ruzyne-Prague Airport is a modern and spacious international airport located on the northwest edge of Prague and around 17 km north of the city. All international flights arrive here (there is no other civil airport in Prague). The journey from the airport to the city centre takes around 25 - 30 minutes, or around 50 minutes by public transport. Since the new Terminal 2 was opened, new facilities have increased and passenger comfort has also been improved, with new [conference rooms](#) and other spaces, for example for VIP and business clients, or for those travelling with children etc. There are several ways of travelling to the airport - car, [bus](#), [taxi](#) or [minibus](#). Overall, Prague Airport is a comfortable, clean, and easy place to use and find your way around.
- **>> FLIGHTS TO PRAGUE**
Prague's Ruzyne Airport handles around 250 flights a day and is used by approximately fifty carriers who operate direct connections, scheduled and charter, to 103 destinations around the world, making this airport immense. Up to 1.2 million people a month use the airport - around the same number of people who live in Prague itself. Based on the number of passengers passing through the terminals (around 11-12 million passengers every year), Ruzyne is now among the top 30 airports in Europe. Its popularity has been boosted by the number of budget airlines now benefiting from Prague's location in central Europe. These companies now link Prague with 13 cities in Europe. For instance, 16 flights a day leave for London alone.
- **>> AIRPORT AUTHORITY**
Airports in the Czech Republic are operated by the Czech Airports Authority, which is a state enterprise. The largest Prague Airport carrier is Czech Airlines (CSA).

COUNTRY INFORMATION

D. SECURITY IN PRAGUE

How to stay safe in Prague

- 1) Just like in any other European city, **pick-pocketing** is probably the worst danger. We recommend you keep valuables in a hotel safe. Do not take large amounts of cash with you as you can always use cash machines which are on every corner. Be careful in touristy areas, like Charles Bridge, Karlova St. on Old Town Square, on trams, on the metro during peak hours and in busy stores.
- 2) **'Unsafe' Locations** - Wenceslas Square at night can be risky. Other locations to avoid are Prague's main train station at night and the nearby park. At the daytime though, entire city is considered quite safe once compared with other European cities.
- 3) **Taking a taxi** in Prague can be another problem. Always call a reputable company in order to avoid being overcharged. Prague airport is serviced by a trustworthy AAA Taxi which will take you to your hotel safely and at a reasonable price.

Natural Hazards in the Czech Republic

The Czech Republic is in a zone where earthquakes are virtually unknown and tornadoes are very rare. The only natural disaster which appears in the Czech Republic is local flooding. Concerning natural hazards, it is one of the very safe countries.

PRAGUE SIGHTSEEING

- Walking tour of Old Town – 2 hours – price aprox. EUR 20



PRAGUE SIGHTSEEING

- Large City Tour – 3 hours – price aprox. EUR 35



LADIES PROGRAM

- **Concerts**
- **Galleries**
- **Museums**
- **Glass factory**
- **China manufacturing (Traditional Czech porcelain)**

..... Costs is subject to program and number of pax

ADDITIONAL SIGHTSEEING PACKAGES

a) A three-days package - EUR 196 per person

- Day 1 – A big Prague sightseeing tour (approx. 3-4 hours)
- Day 2 – An all-day trip out of Prague – for example Český Krumlov or Karlovy Vary or the Karlštejn castle with the Nižbor glass factory, including lunch
- Day 3 – a half-day trip out of Prague (Karlštejn, Konopiště, Kutná Hora) including lunch

b) A seven-days package – EUR 426 per person

- Day 1
- - A big Prague sightseeing tour, mainly by bus – the New Town and the Old Town, Vyšehrad, the Lesser Town, end at the Prague castle
- - Lunch at the Prague castle
- - A detail walking tour, Prague Castle, including admission to the interiors
- - Return transfer to the hotel
- Day 2
- - A walking sightseeing tour, the centre of Prague
- Day 3 – An all-day trip to Karlovy Vary (<http://www.karlovyvary.cz/cz/>) and the Moser glass factory, including lunch
- Day 4 – A half-day trip to Konopiště chateaux (<http://www.zamek-konopiste.cz/>) and a brewery including beer tasting and lunch
- Day 5 – A half-day trip to Kutná Hora (<http://www.kutnahora.cz/>) including lunch
- Day 6 – An all-day trip to Český Krumlov (<http://www.ckrumlov.info/php/>) including lunch
- Day 7 – A half-day trip to the Karlštejn castle (<http://www.hradkarlstejn.cz/>) including lunch

*Individual requests to be sent to padevetova@reliant.eu. Depending on total number of interested participants either a separate group will be organized or individuals will be assigned to existing tour groups. Please send your reservation requests not later than on February 29, 2012.



CONTACTS

FORCE Organizer:

- **Ms. Luisa Parelli** E-mail: l.parelli@forceweb.co
- **Mr. Andrea Rossi** E-mail: andrea.rossi@sigmatrans.it

BOHEMIA CARGO:

- **Mr. Martin Mach** E-mail: mmach@bohemiacargo.cz
- **Mr. Michal Svoboda** E-mail: msvoboda@bohemiacargo.cz

RELIANT:

- **Ms. Lucie Padevetova** E-mail: padevetova@reliant.eu
- **Mr. Mirek Rumler** E-mail: mirek.rumler@reliant.eu

PRESIDENT Hotel reservation link:

<http://www.hotelpresident.cz/>; (password: FORCE)

Deadline for reservations: January 31, 2012