

PROGRAMME OF THE CONFERENCE

„Road to Cooperation – Development of a Czech-Norwegian Partnership“

27. 5. 2010, PRAGUE

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9:00 – 9:30 Registration of participants

Thematic panels

9:30 – 10:00 Introduction and welcome speeches

- **Kjetil Aasland**, Counselor, Embassy of Norway to the Czech Republic
- **Hana Šilhánová**, Director, NROS
- **Introduction of speakers**

10:00 – 10:45 Presentations of key speakers

I *„Role of Third Sector in the protection of human rights – monitoring and control role of the NGOs in a civil society“*

- **Anna Šabatová**, Board of Trustees Chair, Czech Helsinki Committee
- **Gunnar M. Ekeløve-Slydal**, Deputy Secretary General, The Norwegian Helsinki Committee
- Discussion between key speakers, questions and opinions from the floor

Coffee break

11:15 – 12:45 Presentations of key speakers (continuing)

II *„What makes citizens engaged? Do we need to be formally organized to be volunteers?“*

- **Birgitte Brekke**, General Secretary, Associations of NGOs in Norway
- **Pavol Frič**, Sociologist, Center for Social and Economic Strategies at Charles University
- Discussion between key speakers, questions and opinions from the floor

III *“Interaction between authorities and NGOs for better environmental protection. Finding common goals and articulating problems“*

- **Pavel Šremer**, Director, Department of Environmental Policies, Ministry of the Environment
- **Jan Havlik**, Programme Manager, Bellona
- Discussion between key speakers, questions and opinions from the floor

Lunch break (*EEA & Norway Grants projects exhibition, presentation of movie and photos*)

Workshops

14:00 – 16:00 Working in groups, themes as follows:

- Human rights and democracy
- Children and youth with specific needs
- Environmental protection

Recommended topics to be discussed at all groups:

1. Current issues / trends for bilateral cooperation in areas
2. Neglected areas / themes of the priorities – “white spots”
3. Proposed solutions for improved / enhanced cooperation - providing ideas, inspiration

Coffee break

16:15 – 17:00 Presentation of workshops’ results, discussion about results, questions and opinions from the floor

17:00 – 17:15 Conclusion of the conference