



THE RUSSIAN AGGRESSION AGAINST UKRAINE: The Role of Central and Eastern European Countries

REPORT OF THE SESSION

PRAGUE (Czech Republic)

13 to 19 September 2024

From 13 to 19 September 2024, the Summer University of the Czech Republic was organised successfully once more in Prague in collaboration with CEVRO Institute. It was the opportunity to develop the topic “The Russian Aggression against Ukraine: The Role of Central and Eastern European Countries”.

Around 15 candidates took part in the programme, partly from Czech Republic selected by CEVRO and partly from many different countries, selected by CIFE and the partner. They represented 6 different nationalities.

All the candidates who successfully completed the programme received a certificate of participation. Additionally, students who did some extra work after the session acquired ECTS credits.

At the end of the session, we also asked our students to fill out an evaluation questionnaire and comment upon our programme. Their observations were a great help for us for the continuation of the programme.

We hope that this session in Prague will be a very nice memory for everyone and we warmly thank our partner, CEVRO Institute, for this friendly collaboration.



PROGRAMME

Friday 13 September 2024:

Arrival of the participants - Accommodation – Free evening

Saturday 14 September 2024:

10.30: Opening session – welcome speeches



11.00: “NATO’s Involvement in the Ukraine/Russia Conflict”

Madeleine HUBIN HEC Liège

Lunch time



14.00: “Central European Defence and Security Support for the War in Ukraine”

Madeleine HUBIN (Belgium), HEC Liège

Sunday 15 September 2024:

Free day for personal visits



Monday 16 September 2024:

10.00: “Historical and Political Aspects of the Czech Republic”

Prof. Karel B. Müller (Czech Republic), professor of political science with specialisation in the theory of civil society, democracy, political culture and identities, public sphere, public involvement and Europeanisation.



“Influences on the US and Canadian Positions - Central European History, Diasporas and Economic Opportunities Vs. Global Geopolitical Considerations and North American Domestic Trends”

Bořek LIZEC (Czech Republic), former Ambassador to Canada.

Lunch time

14.30: “Russian Aggression Against Ukraine: What Should Be Our Response?”

Roman JOCH (Czech Republic), Director of the Civic Institute in Prague, commentator and lecturer on political philosophy and international relations



16.30: Walking tour of Prague with a guide



Tuesday 17 September 2024:

10.00: “Innovation in CEE”
Osman SALIH (Czech Republic), Cyber security expert



“The Visegrad Group and its Future”
Cyril SVOBODA (Czech Republic), Director of the Diplomatic Academy in Prague, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic

Lunch time

14.30: “National Perspectives to European Security”
Florent MARCIACQ (France), Senior Fellow at the Centre international de formation européenne, Research associate at the French Institute of International Relations (Ifri)



Wednesday 18 September 2024:

10.00: “Europe's Energy Supply Disruption and Diversification After the War in Ukraine: The Role of Eastern Europe and Especially the Caspian Region”
Ariz HUSEYOV (Azerbaijan), Researcher at Baku University.



“EU Enlargement from a Central and Eastern Perspective”
Florent MARCIACQ (France)

Closing session with a friendly drink and distribution of diplomas



Lunch time



14.30: **ORAL EXAMS** for candidates requesting ECTS Credits

16.00: *Visit of Prague Castle with a guide*



Thursday 19 September 2024: **Departure of the foreign group**

PARTICIPANTS

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Despite the exceptionally bad weather which caused flooding, participants enjoyed the programme.

They were positive about the programme. Large debates were proposed after each presentation to make the session interactive and allow the candidates to have answers to all their questions.



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