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**Programme of the Study Visit in Prague**

**26 – 27 October 2016**

***Wednesday, 26 October 2016***

**9.00-11.00 Meeting at the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs**

*Address: Na Poříčním právu 1, Praha 2*

9.00-9.30 **Brief introduction of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, its main tasks and the subordinate institutions**

*Mr Pavel Janeček, Head of International Cooperation Unit*

**9.30-11.00 Meeting with experts of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs**

***Topic:***

**Pension system:** Old-age pension insurance in the Czech Republic; overview of the system, its reforms, pension indexation, changes in the retirement age and the length of required contributory period

*Mr Roman Lang, Department for Social Insurance*

*Mrs Zdeňka Hlásenská, Department for Social Insurance*

11:00-11:15 Walk to the lunch venue

**11.20-12.40 Lunch at Ginger & Fred restaurant (Jiráskovo náměstí, 6, Praha 2)**

**MoLSA delegation:**

*Mrs Iva Merhautová, Deputy Minister for the Section of Social Insurance Schemes*

*Mrs Zuzana Zajarošová, Director, Department for EU and International*

*Cooperation*

*Mr Pavel Janeček, Head of International Cooperation Unit*

12.45 Departure from the lunch venue for the Headquarters of the Czech

Social Security Administration (bus transport)

*Address: Křížová 25, Praha 5*

**13.00-15.30 Visit to the Czech Social Security Administration**

**13.00-14.00 Meeting with the CSSA**

***CSSA delegation:***

*Mr Karel Chod, Deputy General Director of the CSSA*

*Mrs Jitka Konopásková, Head of EU Coordination and International Relations Department, CSSA General Director´s Office*

*Mrs Petra Suchá EU Coordination and International Relations Department, CSSA General Director’s Office*

*Mrs Iveta Nováková, Director of Department for Decision taking upon Pension Insurance Benefits*

*Mrs Milena Talafúsová, Director of Department for Payment of Contributory Benefits*

*Mr Jan Páv Head of International Law Unit, Employees’ Pension Insurance Department*

*Mrs Iva Kakrdová, International Law Unit, Employees’ Pension Insurance Department*

**14.30-15.00 Visit to the historical part of the CSSA archive**

***CSSA delegation:***

*Mrs Dagmar Dudová, Director of Data Base Adminitration Department*

*Mrs Jitka Konopásková, Head of EU Coordination and International Relations Department, CSSA General Director´s Office*

*Mrs Petra Suchá EU Coordination and International Relations Department, CSSA General Director’s Office*

**15.00-15.25 Visit to the Clients‘ Centre**

***CSSA delegation:***

*Mrs Gabriela Polívková, Director of Department for Provision of Information in the Area of Pension Insurance*

*Mrs Jitka Konopásková, Head of EU Coordination and International Relations Department, CSSA General Director´s Office*

*Mrs Petra Suchá EU Coordination and International Relations Department, CSSA General Director’s Office*

15.30 Departure from the CSSA for the hotel (bus transport)

***Thursday 27 October, 2016***

**Meetings at the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs**

*Address: Karlovo náměstí 1, Praha 2*

**9.00**  **Welcome by the Minister of Labour and Social Affairs of the Czech Republic Michaela Marksová**

ca 9.15 Family Photo

ca 9.25 Departure of the Minister

**9.30-11.00 Expert Meeting**

***Topic:***

Coordination of Social Security (Pensions, non-contributory benefits, health instance)

***Czech delegation:***

*Mrs Gabriela Pikorová, Head of Social Security Coordination Unit, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs*

*Mrs Eva Žemličková, EU Coordination and International Relations Department, CSSA General Director´s Office, Czech Social Security Administration*

*Mrs Iva Kakrdová, International Law Unit, Employees’ Pension Insurance Department, Czech Social Security Administration*

*Mr Adam Ander, Health Insurance Bureau*

11.00-13.00 Lunch at Restaurant Dobrá Myšlenka

**13.00-15.00** **Expert Meeting**

***Topics:***

Public Employment Services of the Czech Republic

Employment of Foreigners in the Czech Republic

***Czech delegation:***

*Mrs Kateřina Štěpánková. Foreign Employment Unit, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs*

*Mr Jan Buba, Directorate General of the Labour Office of the Czech Republic*

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