



Climate and Economy

Turning problems into opportunities

October 30th, 2015 - 10:00-12:30

This conference is organized under the auspice of Mrs Prof. Ing. Hana Machkova, Rector of The University of Economics, Prague (VŠE)

A month from now **the 21st session of the United Nations' Conference of the Parties (COP 21)** will be officially kicked-off in Paris. There will meet global and local stakeholders in order to reach a comprehensive and binding agreement that must alleviate the consequences of climate change and limit to 2-degrees the global temperature rise. Experts and politicians agree that "Climate Finance" is the key of ongoing negotiations. **What does that truly mean?**

The aim of that lecture is to bring up **down-to-earth explanations on how economic and financial tools can tackle climate change**. It will be followed by short presentations showcasing considered and implemented tools in the Czech Republic (i.e. carbon tax, EU ETS market, subsidies), **where their relation to economic competitiveness will be questioned**.

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Venue: VSE, náměstí Winstona Churchilla 4, 130 67 Praha 3 - Vencovského aula

10:00 - Welcoming words: Prof. Ing. Petr Musílek, Ph.D, VŠE Vice-Rector for Science & Research
HE Jean-Pierre ASVAZADOURIAN, French Ambassador in the CR

Moderator: Adela DENKOVA, Editor, Euractiv.cz

10:20 - Keynote speaker

"Which economic instruments to tackle climate change?"

Franck LECOQ - Director of the International Environment and Development Research Centre, Paris (CIRED)

11:30 - Discussion Panel: Environment and industry competitiveness in the Czech Republic

- Jan TUMA, Department of Energy and Climate protection, Ministry of Environment
- Ondrej STRECKER, Market Analysis and Prognosis, CEZ
- Veolia Česká Republika (Speaker tbc)
- Jakub VIT, Confederation of Industry of the Czech Republic

12:15 - Conclusion

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This conference will be held in English only