THE CONFEDERATION OF INDUSTRY OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC
INDUSTRY – OUR TRADITION, OUR FUTURE
“We strive to make the Czech Republic a knowledge based technology centre in Europe with a growing economy, an excellent standard of living, high employment, and the ability to compete successfully on a global scale.”

Jaroslav Hanák
President of the Confederation of Industry of the Czech Republic
WE UNITE
the leading companies and industry associations in the Czech Republic

WE ADVOCATE
the common interests of our members

WE INFLUENCE
the economic, social, and environmental policies of the Czech government

WE IMPROVE
business conditions

WE PROMOTE
international trade and investment
WE ARE

› The largest and most influential independent organisation of employers and entrepreneurs in the Czech Republic.
› A representative of the Czech Republic’s leading companies, representing a crucial part of the industry – especially the automotive, electronics, chemical and mechanical engineering sectors, the power industry, transportation, ICT sectors and many others.
› A volunteer organisation, independent of the government, political parties and trade unions.
› A respected social partner and a participant in the European social dialogue.
WE REPRESENT

› 11,000 companies – our members employ over 1.3 million people.
› 31 industry federations and associations from key areas of the Czech economy.
› Over 126 significant individual member companies.

In 2018, the Confederation will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the Central Union of Czechoslovak Industrialists.

OUR PRIORITIES

› Supporting industry as the main pillar of the Czech economy
› Strengthening the significance of research, development and innovation in industry
› Encouraging a flexible labour market to support mobility and job creation
› Continuing development in technical education and expanding the technically skilled labour force
› Creating a business friendly environment for entrepreneurs and international investors
› Advancing international trade and export
› Improving the transport infrastructure
› Furthering the digitalisation of the economy and e-Government
› Guaranteeing safe, reliable and accessible energy
› Promoting economically sustainable environmental protection
› Writing and agreeing on a stable, enforceable and predictable legislative framework

Our priorities are not only essential to the present but also geared to the future.
PARTNERSHIP AND COOPERATION
AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

› Employers’ and business organisations
› The Czech Chamber of Commerce
› The Government of the Czech Republic
› Regional governments
› The Czech National Bank
› The Czech Academy of Sciences and other research institutions
› Universities, colleges, high schools and other educational facilities
› Specialised institutions and agencies
  (e.g. Technology Agency of the Czech Republic, CzechInvest, CzechTrade)

AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

› The Confederation of European Business – BusinessEurope (member)
› The Business and Industry Advisory Committee to the OECD – BIAC (member)
› The European Economic and Social Committee – EESC
› The Central and Eastern European Industry Federations Initiative – CEE Initiative
› EU Advisory Committees and Agencies
› The International Organisation of Employers – IOE
› The International Labour Organization – ILO
› International employers’ associations and chambers
› Foreign embassies and trade missions

We have signed over 140 cooperation agreements with partner organisations and associations worldwide.
ADVOCATING OUR INTERESTS AT NATIONAL AND LOCAL LEVEL

› We represent employers in the Council for Economic and Social Agreement and advocate their interests vis-à-vis the trade unions and the government.
› We are an official consultative body for legislation, and legislative changes and amendments, and we influence decision-making in policy. Every year, we propose changes and amendments to more than 100 legislative and non-legislative proposals.
› We negotiate with top political representatives and members of the Parliament of the Czech Republic.
› We maintain constant dialogue with local politicians through our regional offices.
› We are members of national councils, expert teams and committees.
ADVOCATING OUR INTERESTS AT EUROPEAN AND INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

› We are a member of the European advocate BusinessEurope, through which we influence negotiations about setting conditions for doing business in the EU.
› We are represented in the Business and Industry Advisory Committee to the OECD (BIAC), in which we have the possibility to shape G20 and OECD policies.
› We are actively involved in the EU legislative process, and we cooperate with the Czech government and Czech representatives in the Council of the EU and with members of the European Parliament.
› We help to formulate the Czech Republic’s negotiation positions on the new EU strategies, regulations and directives.
› We participate in a number of advisory bodies of the European Commission, designing and implementing the European Social Partners’ Work Programme.
› We cooperate with the European Commission Representation in the Czech Republic as well as Czech parliamentary committees on European affairs.
› We advocate our interests through our delegate at BusinessEurope and the Czech Business Representation to the EU (CEBRE) in Brussels.
› We are among the founders of the Central and Eastern European Industry Federations Initiative (CEE Initiative).

We are part of the European industrial employers’ lobby.
INTERNATIONAL TRADE PROMOTION

› We organise international conferences attended by heads of states and governments.
› We organise international business and trade missions.
› We cooperate with partner confederations and business chambers worldwide.
› We coordinate incoming business and trade missions.
› We represent our members at international trade fairs.
› We organise conferences, seminars and workshops promoting export.

Since our re-establishment in 1990 we have organised over 150 international business and trade missions attended by several thousand representatives of Czech companies.
DOING BUSINESS IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Industry and transport constitute almost 40 per cent of the Czech economy.

The Czech Republic meets all requirements for successful investments in industry and transport. The Czech membership in the European Union, NATO, OECD, WTO and other important international organisations guarantees reliability and stability.

The Czech Republic offers:
› A stable political environment
› A strong industrial tradition
› The most comprehensive transport infrastructure in Central and Eastern Europe
› A strategic location in the heart of Europe
› A wide range of suppliers and contractors
› A highly skilled labour force

Your business can rely on a partnership with the strongest employers’ confederation in the country – the Confederation of Industry of the Czech Republic.

OUR REPRESENTATIVES ABROAD

› The Confederation of Industry of the Czech Republic Office at BusinessEurope in Brussels
› CEBRE – Czech Business Representation to the EU in Brussels
  www.cebre.cz
MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

Agricultural and Forestry Machinery Association
Association of Aerospace Manufacturers of the Czech Republic
Association of Engineering Technology
Association of Foundries of the Czech Republic
Association of Chemical Industry of the Czech Republic
Association of Manufacturers and Suppliers of Medical Devices
Association of Personnel Services Providers
Association of Plastics Industry of the Czech Republic
Association of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises and Crafts of the Czech Republic
Association of the Glass and Ceramic Industry of the Czech Republic
Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry
Automotive Industry Association
CECED CZ-European Committee of Domestic Equipment Manufacturers
Consumer Electronics Association
Czech Association of Energy Sector Employers
Czech Association of Medical Devices Suppliers (CZECHMED)
Czech Cement Association
Czech Confederation of Commerce and Tourism
Czech Express Association
Czech Lime Association
Czech Management Association
Czech Photovoltaic Industry Association
Czech Society for New Materials and Technologies
Electrical and Electronic Association of the Czech Republic
Information Technology and Telecommunication Association
Security Club
The Association of Research Organizations
The Czech Association of Mechanical Engineers
The Steel Federation
The Transport Union
Union of Czech Production Co-operatives

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