

Conference

Partnership for MST: support the teaching of mathematics and natural sciences and engineering through cooperation between schools and businesses

12 and 13 September 2011, Prague – National Technical Library

1st Day of Conference - 12 September 2011

09.00 - 10.00 Registration

10.00 - 10.30 Opening and introduction

Jakub Hodinář, representative of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, CR

Petr Očko, representative of the Ministry of Industry and Trade, CR

Representative of DG EAC, European Commission (tbs)

Moderator:

Lukáš Teplý, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, CR

10.30 - 11.30 Keynote speakers

Partnership for MST: presentations of the keynote speakers on the topic, which is crucial for the future of the European economy and its competitiveness.

Jan Kleindienst, IBM

School founder representatives, CR (tbs)

Marie Kousalíková, Mayoress of Prague 6 (elementary school founder)

Germaine Noonan, representative of movement Business in the Community (project Schools' Business Partnership), Ireland

11.30 - 12.00 Coffee break

12.00 - 13.15 Panel discussion

At the panel discussion will sit at one table the representatives of schools, businesses and their founders. You will hear examples of successful projects that help strengthen the importance and increase the attractiveness of teaching mathematics, science and technical subjects in schools and encourage the innovative potential of young people.

Moderator:

Jaroslav Faltýn, Research Institute of Education, CR

Miloš Rathouský. Confederation of Industry. CR

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Ivo Jupa, AISIS, o.s., presentation of the project "Science has future", CR

Martin Krejza, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, CR

Paul O'Callaghan, School Director, Ireland

Glynn Arthur Kirkham, Independent Expert, CR

13.15 - 14.30 Lunch

14:30 - 16:00 Afternoon panel A

How to create and strengthen collaboration between schools and businesses?

How can founders help to promote teaching MST at schools?

Afternoon panel A offers directors and leading teachers possibility to meet business representatives from companies which have an intention to collaborate with schools in process of introduction innovative features into education. There will also be a contribution from school founders whose support is essential for cooperation between schools and business.

Monika Ladmanová, IBM CR, CR

Business representative, Meopta Přerov, CR (tbc)

School Director, CR

Štěpán Harašta, Director of School department in Olomouc Region, CR

Jonathan Smith, Marks & Spencer, Manager for Czech Republic, Slovenia, Lithuania, Latvia and Poland (tbc)

16.00 - 16.15 Coffee break

16.15 - 17.30 Afternoon panel B

How to increase an attractiveness of MST learning?

Education of science and engineering fields is often very theoretical and boring in many elementary and secondary schools in the Czech Republic. It is also one of the main reasons why young people don't choose their career in these fields. This is not just about careers in science and research institutions. Low interest in mathematics, physics or chemistry is causing problems for companies that need qualified experts in these fields in their processes. While, in fact, these companies create perspective job offers and have an important impact on economic growth in Europe and the Czech Republic.

Moderator:

Daniela Červenclová, Bayer

School Director, CR

Jaromír Kříž, Director Merkur Toys, s.r.o., CR

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Miroslav Brzezina, Dean of Faculty of Science, Humanities and Education, Tech**nical** University of Liberec, CR

Helena Úlovcová, National Institution of Technical and Vocational Education, CR

Barbora Grečnerová, Centre for International Services, CR

17.30 – 19.00 Formal conclusion with a glass of wine

Presentation of conclusions from the 1st day of Conference

2nd Day of Conference – 13 September 2011

09.30 - 11.00 Main panel

Main panel will continue on topic of last year's conference, school leadership. School directors and leading teachers will get information about results of Middle European project which focused on raising effectiveness and quality of school leadership. It should also bring the inspiration how cooperation between students and their future employees can raise the effectiveness of school leadership and how innovative examples of this cooperation can lead to higher quality of education.

Moderator:

Lukáš Teplý, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, CR

Helena Plitzová, Director of National Institute for Further Education, CR

Emese Abari-Ibolya, leader of Middle European project International Cooperation for School Leadership, Tempus Public Foundation, Hungary

Eliška Křižková, Part Coordinator of Middle European project Leadership, National Institute for Further Education, CR

Jitka Kmentová, School Director, Gymnázium na Zatlance, CR

Alena Hašková, Constantin the Philosopher University in Nitra, SR

Glynn Arthur Kirkham, Independent Expert, CR

11.00 - 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 - 13.00 Examples of good practice

Pavla Růžková, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, CR

Jiří Herodes, Educational Agency Kromeriz, CR

School director, CR (tbs)

Miloš Hernych, Technical university of Liberec, CR

13.00 – 14.00 Formal conclusion, lunch Presentation of Conference conclusions

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