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FIR as the European Centre for Studies and Research in International Relations

Prague, 6 September 2018 - On September 12 to 15, 2018, the Faculty of International Relations (FIR) will become the European Centre of Study and Research in the field of International Relations. During these days on its premises, the University of Economics, Prague, is hosting the 12th Pan-European Conference on International Relations titled "A New Hope: Back to the Future of International Relations" organised in collaboration with the European International Studies Association (EISA) and the Central and East European International Studies Association (CEEISA). The conference will be held in cooperation with the Institute of International Relations and under the auspices of the Rector of the University of Economics, Prague, prof. Ing. Hana Machková, CSc.

During the conference, it will be possible to meet with leading European and Czech specialists in the field of International Relations, such as Pinar Bilgin, Stefano Guzzini, Daniel Nexon, Ann Towns, and Jeff Colgan, who will already appear at the Inaugural Plenary Session. Special talk titled "Prague at the End of History" will be given by Derek Sayer. On September 10 and 11, 2018, immediately prior to the start of the konference, the FIR will also welcome a workshop for World International Studies Committee (WISC) early career researchers.

More than three dozen students of all levels of study and academicians across the departments of the FIR will be involved in the conference. They will be able to attend panels, draw inspiration, and get contacts that can help them both in their further study and in their professional lives.

For more information on the EISA + CEEISA conference, click <u>here</u>. For the WISC workshop information, <u>click here</u>. The preliminary program is available for <u>download here</u>.

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The University of Economics, Prague (Vysoká škola ekonomická v Praze) is the leading university in the field of management and economics in the Czech Republic. More than 15,000 students attend six faculties of the University of Economics, Prague - five in Prague and one in Jindřichův Hradec in South Bohemia. These include: the Faculty of Finance and Accounting, the Faculty of International Relations, the Faculty of Business Administration, the Faculty of Statistics and Informatics and the Faculty of Economics and Public Administration. The faculty based in Jindřichův Hradec is specialized in management. Graduates of the University of Economics, Prague occupy responsible positions in the private as well as in the public sector. Most of them are employed in the sectors of industry and services, trade, marketing, banking, public administration, accounting, audit, tourism and the field of information technology. Many significant Czech and foreign economists have obtained the University's Honoris Causa Title; for example, the Nobel Prize winner Prof. Robert A. Mundell, Prof. Milton Friedman, Prof. Gary S. Becker, Prof. Richard Thaler. More information at http://www.vse.cz/english.



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