



“SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS SUPPORT PROGRAMME”

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STUDY TOUR
2-7 November 2006
Prague-Strasbourg

SOCIAL SECURITY CO-ORDINATION TRAINING COURSE

Czech Republic
2-4 November 2006

Corinthia Panorama Hotel

PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2006

18h00 -19h30 Preliminary registration of Participants

THURSDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2006

09h00 -12h30 Registration of participants

13h30 -14h30 **Lunch break**

14h30 - 15h00 Opening session and introduction to the training course
by a representative of the Czech Authorities
and Ms Michèle AKIP, Council of Europe (COE)

15h00 – 15h15 Practical organisation of the Seminar
by Mr Sixto MOLINA

15h15 - 19h00 **SESSION I** – Chair: Mr Sixto MOLINA

15h15 - 16h00 General introduction on the activities of the Council of Europe in the Social
Cohesion field
by Ms Michèle AKIP

16h00 - 16h20 **Coffee break**

16h20 - 17h00 Social security co-ordination rules within the European Union
by Ms Els VERTONGEN, European Commission (EC)

17h00 – 17h30 Social Security Reform in Central Europe: An ILO perspective
by Ms Elaine FULTZ, International Labour Organisation (ILO)

17h30 – 18h00 The International Social Security Association (ISSA) and it's evolution
by Ms Marie France LAROQUE, ISSA

18h00 – 18h30 Social Security: the European Trade Union Confederation perspective,
by Mr Henri LOURDEL, European Trade Union Confederation

18h30 - 19h00 Discussion

20h30 **Dinner in Hotel Panorama**

FRIDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2006

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Breakfast

09h30 - 13h15 **SESSION II** – Chair: Ms Michèle AKIP

09h30 - 10h00 Basic principles of social security coordination
by Mr Sixto MOLINA

10h00 - 10h45 Principles governing the applicable legislation (including posting)
by Mr Bruno DE PAUW , National Office for Social Security, Brussels, Belgium

10h45 - 11h30 Practical examples in working groups

11h30 - 11h45 **Coffee break**

11h45 - 12h30 Co-ordination of old-age pensions
by Mr Francis KESSLER, Professor at the Sorbonne University, Paris, France

12h30 - 13h15 Practical examples in working groups

13h15 - 14h30 **Lunch break, Panorama Hotel**

15h00 - 19h00 **Sightseeing tour**

20h00 **Dinner, to be determined by Czech authorities**

SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2006

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09h30 - 13h00	<u>SESSION III</u> – Chair: Mr Francis KESSLER
09h30 - 09h45	Discussion on the conclusions of the two working groups' sessions (applicable legislation and old-age pensions)
09h45 - 10h30	Coordination of Health Care Abroad by Mr Albrecht OTTING, Permanent Representation of the Federal Republic of Germany to the European Union, Brussels, Belgium
10h30 - 11h15	Practical examples in working groups
11h15 - 11h30	Coffee break
11h30 - 12h00	Co-ordination of unemployment benefits by Mr Bruno de PAUW
12h00 - 12h45	Practical examples in working groups
12h45 - 13h00	Discussion on the conclusions of the two working groups' sessions
13h00 - 14h30	Lunch break, Panorama Hotel
14h30 - 18h30	<u>SESSION IV</u> – Chair: Mr Bruno de PAUW
14h30 - 15h15	Co-ordination of family benefits by Mr Albrecht OTTING
15h15 – 15h45	Co-ordination of Invalidity Pensions by Mr Francis KESSLER
15h45 - 16h15	Coffee break
16h15 - 17h00	Practical examples in working groups
17h00 – 17h30	Discussion on the conclusions of the afternoon's working groups' sessions
17h30 - 18h00	Evaluation of the working groups by Consultants
18h00 - 18h15	Conclusion of the training course by Mr Sixto MOLINA, DGIII
18h15 - 18h30	Closing speech by the representative of the Czech Authorities
20h00	Dinner and entertainment in Racianska Vinarna

SUNDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2006

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Breakfast

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Transport to airport/train station