

The Minister of Entrepreneurship and Information Technology  
Minister Kristjan Järvana  
Minister of Entrepreneurship and Information Technology  
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**Subject: Invitation to the conference Digital Czech Republic 2024**

Dear Mr. Minister Kristjan Järvana,

On behalf of the Institute for Politics and Society and its partners, we would like to cordially invite you to speak at the **9th International Conference Digital Czech Republic**, which will take place on **18-19 June 2024** in Národním domě na Vinohradech, Náměstí Míru 820/9, 120 00 Prague. The opening day of the conference will focus on digitalization from a national perspective and the second day will focus on digitalization from a European perspective. The working language of the conference is English. The conference will include an accompanying exhibition focusing on digitisation and digital services.

It would be a great honor for us if you could grace us with your presence as a **speaker** in the panel ***Digitalization of Education and Connection With the Labor Market***, which will be held on **19th June from 9:30 to 10:45**. Please see the attached conference programme for more information regarding this panel. Additionally, we would like to invite you to the Welcome Dinner, which will take place on **17. June from 18:00 to 20:00 in Prague**. The exact venue will be specified.

**We would like to inform you that during the conference we will provide you with accommodation in a beautiful hotel in the centre of Prague and we will also reimburse your travel expenses (economy class).**

The conference is a social event with an international dimension and is regularly attended by top political leaders from all over Europe. For example, past years of Digital Czech Republic have been attended by **Margrethe Vestager**, Vice-President of the European Commission, **Věra Jourová**, Vice-President of the European Commission, Belarusian opposition leader **Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya**, and **Dita Charanzová**, Vice-President of the European Parliament, Vice-President of the European Commission **Dubravka Šuica**, former Prime Minister of the Czech Republic **Andrej Babiš**, Estonian Minister of Health and Labour **Tanel Kiik**, **Morten Elbaek Petersen**, Director of the innovative Danish public health portal Sundhed.dk, and many other Czech and international guests.

In case you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me or my colleagues, and we will gladly answer all your questions.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to the conference.

Yours Sincerely

**Šárka Shoup**

Executive Director – Institute for Politics and Society

## PANEL 6: DIGITALIZATION OF EDUCATION AND CONNECTION WITH THE LABOR MARKET

The digitalization of education is transforming access to study, which also positively affects the labor market, where digital skills are increasingly in demand. The COVID-19 pandemic changed educational methods and emphasized the need for adaptation to technological changes for both students and employees. Collaboration between educational institutions and employers is crucial for the development of relevant skills that prepare graduates for the future requirements of the labor market. Governments and schools should support digital literacy and ensure equal access to educational resources so that all segments of the population can benefit from the advantages of digitalization. This synergy between education, employers, and technologies represents a cornerstone for building a resilient and competitive economy that can efficiently respond to dynamic changes in the digital age.

*How can we ensure accessibility to digital education for all students regardless of their socioeconomic status? What skills and competencies will be needed from the perspective of the future labor market? How can we support and motivate teachers to integrate digital technologies into teaching and the development of their own digital skills? In what way should cooperation between educational institutions, the state, and the private sector take place to ensure the effective transfer of skills from the educational system into practice in the labor market?*