



# Public Health Conference & Policy Forum

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9.00-17.00**

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**June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9.00-12.30**

Hall of Patriots, Carolinum, Ovocný trh 3, Prague 1

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## PROGRAM, JUNE 2<sup>nd</sup>

ALL PRESENTATIONS WILL BE HELD IN ENGLISH

9.00-9.30 REGISTRATION

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9.30-9.40 OFFICIAL WELCOME

**Milena Králíčková**, Rector of Charles University

**Jan Konvalinka**, Director of Institute of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry of the Czech Academy of Sciences

**Jakub Hlávka**, Director of Health Economics, Policy, and Innovation Institute (HEPII), Masaryk University

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9.40-11.00 KEYNOTE LECTURE AND PANEL DISCUSSION

***Healthcare Governance: Learning from the Covid-19 Pandemic and Looking Into the Future***

**Jan Konvalinka**, Institute of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry of the Czech Academy of Sciences

**Štěpán Jurajda**, CERGE-EI, Czech Academy of Sciences, Charles University

**Martin Dlouhý**, Prague University of Economics

**Kateřina Bařňová**, Department of International Affairs and the European Union, Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic

*Moderator: Dominika Šeblová*

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11.00-11.15 COFFEE BREAK

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11.15-12.45 PAPER PRESENTATIONS I.

***Pandemics and Public Response: Lessons Learned***

**Jakub Lonský**, University of Edinburgh

**Anna Houštěcká**, CERGE-EI, Charles University & Economics Institute of Czech Academy of Science

**Christian Ochsner**, CERGE-EI, Charles University & Economics Institute of Czech Academy of Science

**Štěpán Jurajda**, CERGE-EI, Charles University & Economics Institute of Czech Academy of Science

*Moderator: Anna Houštěcká*

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12.45-13.15 LUNCH

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13.15-14.15 KEYNOTE LECTURE AND PANEL DISCUSSION

***Preparing for Emerging Threats in Healthcare: Future Planning and Reforms***

**Mike Murphy**, The London School of Economics and Political Science

**Hana Vaňková**, Third Faculty of Medicine of Charles University

**Martin Bobák**, University College London

**Klára Hulíková Tesárková**, Faculty of Science of Charles University

**Ondřej Májek**, National Screening Centre, Institute of Health Information and Statistics of the Czech Republic

*Moderator: Jakub Hlávka*

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14.15-14.30 COFFEE BREAK

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14.30-15.45 PAPER PRESENTATIONS II.

***Health and Social Services under Economic and Demographic Pressures***

**Michal Horný**, University of Massachusetts Amherst

**Apurv Soni**, University of Massachusetts Chan Medical School

**Jan Kabátek**, University of Melbourne

**Martin Loučka**, Charles University

*Moderator: Eliška Selinger*

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15.45-16.00 COFFEE BREAK

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16.00-17.00 WORKSHOPS: APPLIED RESEARCH FOR POLICY

***Workshop 1: Rapid Modeling of Infectious Diseases in Public Health Emergencies***

**Anna Houšteká**, CERGE-EI

***Workshop 2: What Drives Population Ageing? The Role of Rising Longevity, Low Fertility and Migration***

**Tomáš Sobotka**, Vienna Institute of Demography, Austrian Academy of Sciences



## PROGRAM, JUNE 3<sup>rd</sup>

ALL PRESENTATIONS WILL BE HELD IN CZECH WITH  
SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION TO ENGLISH

9.00-9.40 REGISTRATION

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9.40-9.50 OFFICIAL WELCOME

**Milena Králíčková**, Rector of Charles University

**Jakub Hlávka**, Director of Health Economics, Policy, and Innovation Institute (HEPII), Masaryk University

**Kuuno Vaher**, General Manager of AstraZeneca Central Europe

**Zsófia Pusztai**, WHO Representative and Head of the Country Office for the Czech Republic

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9.50-11.00 POLICY FORUM

*What needs to be done to prepare the Czech Republic for public health emergencies of the future? Are we ready to deal with a future pandemic? How can we ensure sustainable health and social care delivery in the era of ageing populations?*

**Vlastimil Válek**, Minister of Health of the Czech Republic

**Karel Zitterbart**, Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on Health of the Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic

**Milena Králíčková**, Rector of Charles University

**Ladislav Dušek**, Institute of Health Information and Statistics of the Czech Republic

**Jan Konvalinka**, Director of Institute of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry of the Czech Academy of Sciences

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11.00-11.15 COFFEE BREAK

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11.15-12.25 SETTING THE AGENDA FOR THE FUTURE

*How can research and policy be better connected? How can we improve public and funding support for public health? What is the role of universities in educating public health experts? How can experts contribute to policy-making? What areas of improvement do we see?*

**Jan Polák**, Charles University, Government Council for Public Health



**Roman Chlíbek**, University of Defence, Czech Health Research Council  
**Ondřej Slabý**, Czech Health Research Council  
**Radek Polícar**, Ministry of Health

*Moderator: Štěpán Jurajda*

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**12.25-12.30**

**CONCLUDING REMARKS**

**Milena Králíčková**, Rector of Charles University

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**12.30-13.00**

**LUNCH AND FAREWELL**

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