



**Welcome to the Czech Senate Delegation and Ambassador of the  
Czech Republic to the US  
at the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library  
in Cedar Rapids, Iowa**

**June 3, 2023, 6 pm - 7 pm**  
1400 Inspiration Place SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404

**Program:**

Introduction by Dr. Cecilia Rokusek, NCSML President & CEO and Dr. Dalibor Mikuláš, NCSML Vice President & COO

Welcome by the Mayor Tiffany O'Donnell, City of Cedar Rapids

Greetings on the occasion of the *11th Annual Conference of Czech Schools in North America* held at the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library in Cedar Rapids, Iowa by:

- His Excellency Miloslav Stašek, Ambassador of the Czech Republic, Embassy of the Czech Republic to the United States of America
- Tomáš Czernin, Deputy Chairman of the Czech Senate, member of the Permanent Commission of the Senate (Parliament of the Czech Republic) for Compatriots Living Abroad
- Jaroslav Kantůrek, Consul General of the Czech Republic in Chicago
- Martin Palouš – Director of the Václav Havel Program for Human Rights and Democracy, School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), Florida International University, and 2023 NCSML Research Scholar

**Discussions**

**Delegation of the Czech Senate:**

Tomáš Czernin – Deputy Chairman of the Czech Senate, member of the Permanent Commission of the Senate for Compatriots Living Abroad (Parliament of the Czech Republic)

Jiří Oberfalzer – Deputy Chairman of the Czech Senate, member of the Permanent Commission of the Senate for Compatriots Living Abroad (Parliament of the Czech Republic)

Patrik Kunčar – Vice-President of the Permanent Commission of the Senate for Compatriots Living Abroad (Parliament of the Czech Republic)

Marek Hilšer – Vice-President of the Permanent Commission of the Senate for Compatriots Living Abroad (Parliament of the Czech Republic)

Helena Pešatová – Member of the Permanent Commission of the Senate for Compatriots Living Abroad (Parliament of the Czech Republic)

Bronislava Vacková – Secretary of the Permanent Commission of the Senate for Compatriots Living Abroad (Parliament of the Czech Republic)

Jiří Krbec – Director of the Foreign Division of the Senate (Parliament of the Czech Republic)