

Preliminary programme for media representatives

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EU - USA Summit

Prague, 5 April 2009

Programme

- 11:15 – 12:00** **Welcoming of EU Heads of State or Government and Foreign Ministers by European Council President Mirek Topolánek and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic Karel Schwarzenberg**
(South Foyer, ground floor, indoors)
host broadcaster + photo/TV – POOL A
Meeting at the MEETING POINT at 10:15.
- +/- 12:15** **Family photo of EU Heads of State or Government with the US President**
followed by
Family photo of EU Foreign Ministers with the US Secretary of State
(Congress Hall Foyer, 2nd floor)
host broadcaster + photo/TV – POOL B
Meeting at the MEETING POINT at 11:30.
- +/- 14:15** **Press chat (number of places limited) – to be confirmed**
- +/- 14:30** **Press conference – European Council President Mirek Topolánek, European Commission President J. M. Barroso and Swedish Prime Minister Fredrik Reinfeldt**
(Congress Hall, 2nd floor)
- from 14:30** **National media briefings (after the session is finished)**

Please note: the programme is subject to change

Rules for POOL work

Due to space and security reasons, several photo opportunities will be accessible only to a limited number of photographers and cameramen (a "pool"). By accepting a place in one of the pools, media representatives consent with the fact that, in conformity with established international practice, they are obliged to provide readily and unconditionally all information and material obtained via the pool to other media representatives accredited for the event. This material will of course be provided without any sanctions from their employer and free of any fees and restrictions on condition that it will be used for standard news coverage purposes.

Each pool card is valid for one person for a specific photo opportunity. The pool card must be carried visibly together with the accreditation badge. All pool card holders must be accompanied to the photo opportunity by pool assistants. This is why the pool card holders must be present at the meeting place (**the board bearing the sign "MEETING POINT" at the media information desk at the entrance of the press centre on the 3rd floor of the Prague Congress Centre**) at a time which will be specified. Access to the photo opportunity cannot be provided to those who arrive late.

Note: Photo opportunities are open for photographers and cameramen. It is not possible to book a place in the A and B pools or in the B and C pools at the same times.

POOL cards distribution

Places in the A, B or C pools will be granted to national delegations at the venue. Contact information regarding representatives of national delegations can be obtained at the information desk in the press centre. Several places on the pool will be pre-booked for press agencies whose representatives can collect their pool cards from the information desk as well. Press agencies will be served on a first-come-first-served basis.

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