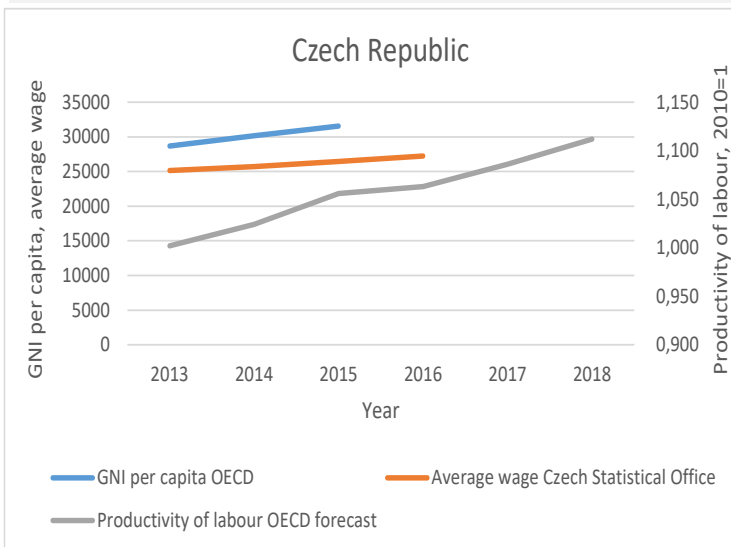


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SPOTLIGHT ISSUE



Invitation:

Has procurement reform improved ability to procure higher quality goods and services? (in Czech)
30 March 2017, 9-10.30 a.m., Prague

STATISTICS AND RANKINGS

EC Regional Competitiveness Index 2016: Czech regions' technological readiness above EU average, Prague scores higher than Vienna

Inrix Global Traffic Scorecard: Drivers in Prague spend over 24 hours per year in traffic jam | Deloitte: 5 investment priorities for long-term development of Prague

Eurostat: Czech dependency on fossil fuel imports rises from 17% in 1990 to 46% in 2015 | Grayling on the future of Czech energy

ILO: More long-term care services for the elderly needed in Central-Eastern Europe

Eurostat: Czech Rep 10+ percentage points increase in online shopping between 2012 and 2016

Czech Statistical Office: In all Czech regions no. of guests, overnight stays goes up in 2016

Expat Insider 2016: Quality of Life Index: Czech Republic scores well for travel & transport, access to education

OSAC: Czech Rep. 2017 Crime & Safety Report

PROSPERITY SERIES

AmCham CZ: The Czech Republic has done well during the current electoral period. Can we do better in the next?

„At a time when politics is being capture by populism, we would like to focus on its underlying motivation: access to world's increasing prosperity. The Czech Republic has done well during the current electoral period. Can we do better in the next? We can, but we will need to focus on attaining better technology and the knowledge, both in technical expertise and management, to commercialize it successfully. Over the next months, we will be publishing the ideas of leaders in business, academics and government so that the citizens of the Czech Republic can make their decision based not on fear of the future, but hope based on the reality of how we have risen in the last century, and how far our expanding knowledge and technology can take us in the next hundred years.“

Michal Nebeský, Citi Country Officer

President of the American Chamber of Commerce in the Czech Republic

Citi Central Europe Economics View: We believe that a more efficient way to raise economic growth in the medium term would be via structural reforms

EMPLOYMENT

Automation, optimization of work and higher effectivity will be major topics for 91% of general managers who took part in PwC survey.

Czech Workforce Report 5: Employment & median wage by occupation in the Ústecký region for the period 2011-2015

The region experienced employment drop during the 2011-2015 period. More jobs were eliminated in the private sector than in the public sector. 48% of employment is of managers (5%), professionals (14%) and technicians (29%). Median wage growth in the private sector ranged from 7% to 11%, except for managers (-0.3%).

Round Table on infrastructure & workforce in Southern Moravia

GOOD GOVERNANCE

Summary: European Semester | EC Winter 2017 Economic Forecast

Czech Legislation Update February 2017

DIGITAL AGENDA

Tomáš Prouza about Czech Digital Economy at AmCham CZ (in Czech)

AmCham EU's Position on the new European Electronic Communications Code

POLICY PIPELINE CZ, EU

Association of Business Service Leaders: Growth of the business services sector is affected by 5 factors | More funds available to Czech innovative SMEs | planes.cz: New flights from Prague, Brno, Pardubice
Corporate tax avoidance: Council agrees its position on hybrid mismatches | EP passes CETA: What's in it? | End of roaming charges: EU negotiators agree on wholesale prices