

EUROPEAN VALUES THINK-TANK

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Protecting Freedom

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We are a non-governmental policy institute defending liberal democracy.

Our vision is that of a free, safe and prosperous Czech Republic within Central Europe that is an integral part of the West.

Even in 2017, we helped to face aggressive regimes, radicalisation within the society, the spread of authoritarian tendencies and extremist ideologies including Islamism.

We provided politicians with expert recommendations and we systematically watched and evaluated their performance.

Active citizens, accountable politicians, political parties that fulfil their role, as well as a cohesive society that shares the values of individual freedom, human dignity, and equal rights - these are what we consider the principle elements of a functioning liberal democracy.

As a non-governmental and a non-profit organisation which is not linked to any political party, we have pursued research and educational activities since 2005. In addition to publishing analytical papers and commentaries for the media, we organise conferences, seminars and training sessions for both experts and the general public. Our events provide a platform for dialogue among politicians, experts, journalists, businesspeople, and students.

Radko Hokovský, Ph.D.,
Executive Director of the European Values Think-Tank



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Contributions to international publications

- [Does Russia interfere in Czech, Austrian and Hungarian elections?](#)
- [Kremlin Information Influence Index 2017](#)
- [The Russian connections of far-right and paramilitary organizations in the Czech Republic](#)
- [The Warsaw Institute Review: Disinformation in CEE](#)
- [Vulnerability Index](#)

The Program for Cohesive Society: Acing the threat of Islamic extremism

We help the Czech security institutions to avoid mistakes in migration and integration policies that were made in the Western European countries.

Most of the Czech political parties have their stance on migration and Islamism close to our recommendations. We regularly present our analyses and suggestion to Czech politicians. We influenced the current position of the Czech government and its members thanks to our long-term intensive consulting and communication activities, as well as informal meetings in the Parliament and ministries.

We bring leading Western experts to the Czech state institutions to consult migration and Islamism. Together with the Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies, we organized the third volume of HOMEAFFAIRS - Internal Security Forum Prague, where we discussed topics such as radicalisation, terrorism, organized crime, cybercrime, illegal migration, or border protection with 120 governmental specialists, experts from the non-governmental sector, and academics.

The Program for Cohesive Society's 2017 publications:

Background documents:

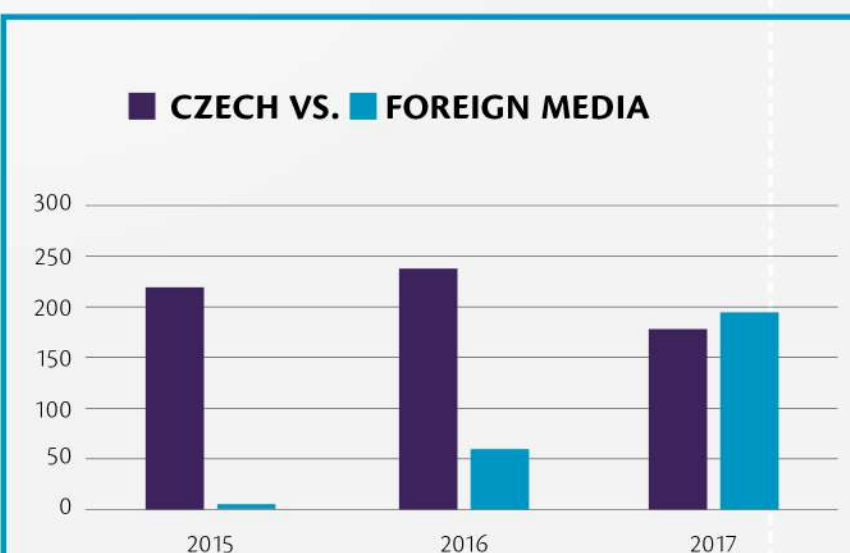
- [Existing Measures Against Islamic Extremism](#)
- [Vztahy EU a Turecka jako strategická výzva. Podkladový dokument pro kulatý stůl Národního konventu o EU \(Úřad vlády\)](#)

Commentaries

- [První český džihádista odsouzen](#)
- [Klíčovou příčinou islámského extremismu je ideologie](#)
- [Prezident Erdogan vyhlásil vítězství v referendu o změně ústavy](#)
- [Pokud Erdoganovo referendum projde, EU by měla okamžitě ukončit přístupové rozhovory s Tureckem](#)
- [Opustíme iluzi, že přístupové rozhovory nám dávají na Turecko jakékoliv páky](#)
- [50 let od šestidenní války a třetí dekáda dohod z Osla. Proč politika EU na Blízkém východě selhává?](#)

„I Live in a Democracy“ Educational Program: Responsible citizenship and media literacy in the Czech Republic

We approached high school students for the first time in 2015 with our series of debates called “The Cost of Freedom”. Since the school year of 2016/2017, we realize the “I Live in a Democracy” Program. In 2017, we organized 49 events at 25 schools, during which we approached 1195 students and more than 30 teachers. Many interesting personalities got involved in the program, for instance, Kateřina Šimáčková (judge of the Czech Constitutional Court), Silvie Lauder (journalist at the RESPEKT magazine), or Terezie Kaslová (granddaughter of Ferdinand Peroutka).



EUROPEAN VALUES THINK-TANK IN 2017

Most of our activity, focused at defending liberal democracy, took place within our three strategic programs: the Kremlin Watch Program, the Program for Cohesive Society, and the “I Live in a Democracy” Educational Program.

Kremlin Watch: The threat of Russian disinformation and influence operations

We have managed to keep the issue of disinformation and the Kremlin's hostile influence on the public, political, and governmental agenda in the Czech Republic and in Europe as well. With our contribution, the debate has started to shift from threat description and analysis towards practical solutions, whose stability and long-term sustainability we help to secure.

Our expertise is internationally sought-after. In 2017, we presented and consulted our activities with both governmental and non-governmental experts on at least 30 public and closed events in more than 14 countries (including USA, Canada, or Singapore) across three continents.

Reputable foreign media are interested in our work and recommendations. The Kremlin Watch Program and its members were mentioned more than 190 times in international media, both in print and online versions.

We explain the threat of disinformation operation to members of institutions of the USA, Estonia, European Parliament or NATO. At the European level, we are considered to be one of the leading think-tanks dealing with this threat.

We are the only non-governmental institution that publishes annual rankings of EU member states based on their level of perception of Russian disinformation and influence campaigns and on the countermeasures they implemented.

We play a strong and visible part in both the public and political debate in the Czech Republic. We bring attention to the disinformation threat. Kremlin Watch analysts appeared more than 180 times in Czech media during 2017.

We help to make Prague the centre of resistance against the Kremlin's hostile influence. We organized two European gatherings of allied experts specifically focused on disinformation operations - the STRATCOM SUMMIT 2017 and the STRATCOM MiniSUMMIT 2017. At these conferences, we welcomed over 330 participants representing 29 states, including 140 governmental specialists.

The response to our advocacy activities at the European level has been favourable. The open letter to the High Representative for Foreign and Security Policy Federica Mogherini, coordinated by the European Values Think-Tank, signed more than 100 experts, both governmental and non-governmental. The letter was mentioned in well-known media in Europe and in the USA, including Politico, Euractiv, and CNN.

Kremlin Watch's 2017 publications:

Reports

- [Making online platforms responsible for news content](#)
- [Analyzing the Ground Zero. What Western Countries can Learn From Ukrainian Experience of Combating Russian Disinformation](#)
- [How Kremlin controls major Russian media](#)
- [Kremlin Watch Reader 2016](#)
- [Kremlin Watch Reader 2017](#)
- [The Kremlin's Platform for 'Useful Idiots' in the West: An Overview of RT's Editorial Strategy and Evidence of Impact](#)
- [A framework guide to tools for countering hostile foreign electoral interference](#)
- [How Kremlin controls major Russian media](#)
- [Kremlin Influence in Visegrad Countries and Romania: Overview of the Threat, Existing Countermeasures, and Recommended Next Steps](#)
- [Overview of countermeasures by the EU28 to the Kremlin's subversion operations How do the EU28 perceive and react to the threat of hostile influence and disinformation operations by the Russian Federation and its proxies?](#)
- [Policy shift overview: How the Czech Republic became one of the European leaders in countering Russian disinformation](#)
- [How do European democracies react to Russian aggression? Review of shifts in strategic & policy documents of EU28 following Russian aggression against Ukraine](#)
- [Activities of Czech President Miloš Zeman as the Kremlin's Trojan Horse](#)
- [State of the Czech disinformation community in 2017](#)

INFOGRAPHICS

OUR TEAM*

Involved in the work of the European Values Think-Tank were:

60 people from **8** countries

24 men

36 women

Including
26 interns
from **7** countries



EVENTS

STRATCOM Summit 2017

330 participants from 29 countries, 60 speakers

STRATCOM MiniSummit 2017

120 participants from 20 countries, 40 speakers

HOMEAFFAIRS – Internal Security Forum Prague 2017

120 participants from 19 countries

“I Live in a Democracy” Educational Program

25 schools, 49 events, 1195 participants, 19 speakers, 21 cities

Other events:

Public debate “Disinformation in media: The experience of Czech and Slovak journalists”, 50 participants

NEWSLETTERS

We regularly sent out 2 types of newsletters:

Kremlin Watch Briefing – a weekly newsletter with **more than 7000 subscribers**, including politicians, journalists, and experts from the non-governmental sector. It contains political and research news focused on Russian influence in Europe and the USA, monitoring of Russian-language media, recommendations of recent publications, and always a good old Soviet joke as well. In 2017, the newsletter gained **1052 new subscribers**.

Recommendations of the week – a weekly summary of all our activities and outputs. In 2017, it gained **112 new subscribers**.

On average, our subscribers read **9 146** of our e-mailed newsletters every month.



MEDIA**

653 references

525 appearances in online media

29 appearances in print media

53 appearances in TV

46 appearances in radio



OUR BUSINESS TRIPS



38 events

16 foreign countries

* Most of the team is comprised of interns and volunteers. 7 people were employed full time, another 12 people part-time.

** Respectable media only. Disinformation projects are not included.

OUR TEAM

OPERATIONS SECTION

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

PROGRAM SECTION

PROOF-READERS
AND
TRANSLATORS

EXECUTIVE
EDITOR



Barbara Zmušková

COMMUNICATIONS
COORDINATOR



Monika Kutějová

FINANCIAL
AND FUNDRAISING
MANAGER



Milan Zálešák

ACCOUNTANT

PROJECT
MANAGER



Andrea Michalčová

PROJECT
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EV OSTRAVA
EV OLOMOUČ
EV ČESKÉ BUDĚJOVICE

DEPUTY DIRECTOR
FOR
POLITICAL AFFAIRS



Jakub Janda

OPERATIONS
MANAGER



Klára Veverka

PROGRAM FOR
COHESIVE
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HEAD
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FOR COHESIVE
SOCIETY

PROGRAM
COORDINATOR



Jan Stehlík

KREMLIN
WATCH

HEAD
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PROGRAM
COORDINATOR



Veronika Víchová

EDUCATIONAL
PROGRAM

HEAD
OF EDUCATIONAL
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PROGRAM
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Štěpánka Czerninová

Members of the executive board are: Radko Hokovský (Chairman), Jakub Janda (Member) a Jan Famfule (Member).

Members of the supervisory board are: Jiří Kopal (Chairman), Jana Holcová (Member) a Petr Holec (Member).

The General Assembly is the supreme body (within the meaning of the Civil Code). The statutory body is the Executive Director.

Team status as of December 2017

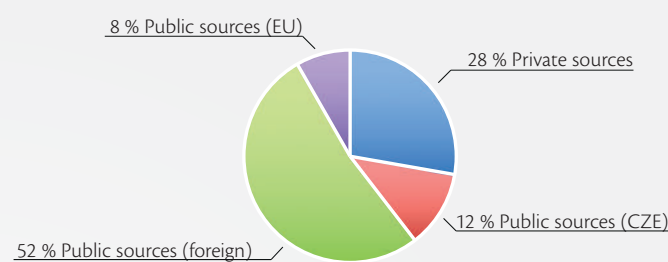
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OUR FINANCE MANAGEMENT IN 2017

INCOME BY PARTNERS (CZK)

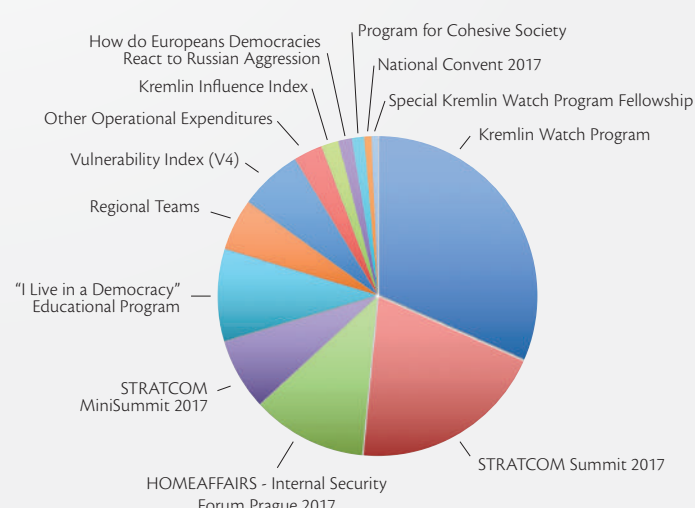
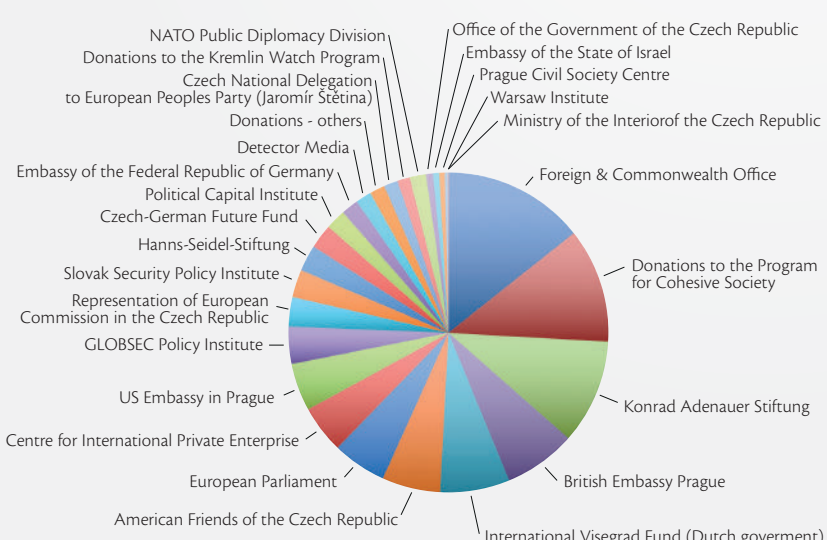
Foreign & Commonwealth Office	627 375
Donations to the Program for Cohesive Society	507 060
Konrad Adenauer Stiftung	464 909
British Embassy Prague	320 678
International Visegrad Fund (nizozemská vláda)	308 975
American Friends of the Czech Republic	258 775
European Parliament	240 743
Centre for International Private Enterprise	211 446
US Embassy in Prague	211 174
GLOBSEC Policy Institute	164 279
Representation of European Commission in the Czech Republic	130 725
Slovak Security Policy Institute	122 346
Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung	116 519
Czech-German Future Fund	107 875
Political Capital Institute	88 836
Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany	75 841
Detector Media	70 315
NATO Public Diplomacy Division	67 550
Donations to the Kremlin Watch Program	62 354
Czech National Delegation to European Peoples Party (Jaromír Štětina)	55 000
Donations - others	72 594
Office of the Government of the Czech Republic	30 000
Embassy of the State of Israel	27 000
Prague Civil Society Centre	25 540
Warsaw Institute	12 943
Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic	3 000
TOTAL	4 383 852

INCOMES BY SOURCES (%)



EXPENDITURES BY PROJECTS (CZK)

Kremlin Watch Program	1 263 335
STRATCOM Summit 2017	792 931
HOMEAFFAIRS - Internal Security Forum Prague 2017	464 124
STRATCOM MiniSummit 2017	288 132
"I Live in a Democracy" Educational Program	372 803
Regional Teams	208 413
Vulnerability Index (V4)	253 624
Other Operational Expenditures	117 057
Kremlin Influence Index	69 966
How do European Democracies React to Russian Aggression?	55 017
Program for Cohesive Society	49 571
National Convent 2017	30 069
Special Kremlin Watch Program Fellowship	25 738
TOTAL	3 990 780



The European Values Think-Tank ended up with a profit of **393 072** CZK due to long-term projects that had higher expenditures in 2016 but most of their expected income in 2017.

In 2017 we had, on average, 19 employees on the payroll, most of them working part-time. The total sum used for salaries was 1 643 816 CZK. (Most of the salaries and rewards are included in the expenditures on individual projects)

DONATIONS

PROGRAM FOR COHESIVE SOCIETY (CZK)

Centrum SEBEVĚDOMÉ ČESKO	367 000
Vladimír Zuzák	108 000
Martin Holečko	12 960
David Ševčík	10 000
Jan Tůma	3 000
Other donors under 3 000 CZK	6 100
TOTAL	507 060

"I LIVE IN A DEMOCRACY" EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Robert Stříbrný	12 000
Petr Holec	6 000
Aleš Jeník	5 000
Vratislav Kadeřábek	3 000
Other donors under 3 000 CZK	9 100
TOTAL	29 100

ANALYTICAL TEAM

Other donors under 3 000 CZK	250
TOTAL	250

KREMLIN WATCH

Robert Bartůšek	15 000
Štěpán Franci	13 000
Josef Gattermayer	6 000
Igor Zahradníček	6 000
Karel Niederle	6 000
Karel Škrabal	3 600
Other donors under 3 000 CZK	12 7540
TOTAL	62 354

OSTATNÍ DARY (PODPORA VŠECH AKTIVIT)

Radek Krejčí	12 000
Ivo Charfreitag	10 000
Jan Voldan	9 600
Antonín Kadlec	5 000
Veronika Wimmerová	3 000
Other donors under 3 000 CZK	3 624
TOTAL	43 224

CONTACT / HOW TO DONATE

We are able to do our work thanks to individual donors. Support us in our effort to make the Czech Republic free, secure and prosperous.

It's simple. On our website, you can choose a specific program which you want to financially support, select and then click the "donate" button. You can explicitly select which of our activities you will support. A simple app will redirect you to a payment gateway, where you will securely enter your personal and banking details, and afterwards submit your donation. You will receive a confirmation right after sending the payment.

COMMERCIAL AND BILLING ADDRESS

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