

The Humboldt Club Czech Republic together with the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany cordially invite you to a panel discussion on

Academic Freedom in Czechia, Germany, and the World

followed by a small reception.

13 November 2023 at 6 p.m.

Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany
Vlašská 19, Prague 1

RSVP by 6 November 2023 via email to wi@prag.diplo.de.

KEYNOTE SPEECH

Prof. Dr. Katrin Kinzelbach, Institute of Political Science,
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PANELISTS

Prof. JUDr. Jan Kuklík, DrSc.

Vice-Rector for Academic Appointments, Charles University

Dr. Helena Reichlová

Director of the Dioscuri Centre for Spin Caloritronics and
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While Czechia and Germany belong to the top scoring countries in the 2023 edition of the Academic Freedom Index (AFI), academic freedom is in retreat for over 50% of the world's population – some 4 billion people. This year's update of the AFI identifies 22 countries and territories where universities and scholars enjoy significantly less freedom today than ten years ago. What implications does this have for international scientific cooperation? And what could be done to reverse this development?

Prof. Dr. Katrin Kinzelbach teaches the international politics of human rights at FAU Erlangen-Nürnberg. She is also a visiting professor at King's College London and a project manager involved with the V-Dem project at the University of Gothenburg. Together with the V-Dem project, Prof. Dr. Kinzelbach and her colleagues conceptualized and realized the Academic Freedom Index, which provides worldwide data. She also serves on the Academic Freedom Committee of the International Studies Association.

The discussion will be chaired by the writer and broadcaster **David Vaughan**.

