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## ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN EDUCATION EUROPEAN SUMMIT

155 teachers, educators, JA staff members, volunteer consultants and representatives of corporates from 28 countries met at the beginning of September in Brussels at the **first Paneuropean Summit on Entrepreneurship Education**. The event was organized by the European head office **Junior Achievement - Young Enterprise Europe** and was supported also by the presence of **Ján Figel**, the European Commissioner in charge of Education, Training, Culture and Multilingualism. Three teachers from the Czech Republic - **Věra Šedivá** from **Stříbro Grammar School**, **Anna Ptáčková** from **Náchod Grammar School and Secondary Vocational School of Tourism** and **Petr Chára** from **Open Gate – Boarding School**, 8-year grammar school in Babice – took part in this intense 3-day exchange of experience and training focused on communication and presentation skills, networking and train-the-trainer competencies. These professionals belong to secondary-school teachers, who co-operate with Junior Achievement and teach programs from our portfolio. The summit participants gained information about JA programs run abroad, they had a great opportunity to compare ways of classwork, work with students, positioning of JA courses in education programs or types of co-operation with companies, which represent an important part of Junior Achievement educational system.



## NUMBER OF STUDENTS INVOLVED IN JA PROGRAMS IN EUROPE EXCEEDED 2 MILLIONS!

The European head office **Junior Achievement – Young Enterprise Europe** published **results of JA member nations** for last school year. The number of students involved in JA programs within Europe, achieved the figure of **2 179 267** meaning a **28 % increase** compared to 2004-2005 results.

## TOMÁŠ BAŤA MET WITH JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

An informal meeting of **Junior Achievement CR founder** with **representatives of the organization's Board** took place during the usual September visit of **Tomáš Baťa** in the Czech Republic. Mr. Baťa was interested in current economic and political situation in the country, informed his colleagues about Junior Achievement goings-on on the international level and based on the presented Activity Report he assessed the performance of the Czech JA branch.



### FIRST JA ACADEMY OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR HELD IN OSTRAVA

Jana Mudrová, Head of Social Services, Education and Free Time Department of Moravská Ostrava and Přívoz District Office presented on creating an enterprise plan to secondary-school students and their teachers in the Ostrava House of Energetics. During the other part of this JA Academy – a project where students meet successful entrepreneurs and representatives of the business world – **Jana Jurčáková, owner of FIT & FUN Studio and Chairwoman of FIT & FUN Ostrava civic association**, gave a lecture. In her presentation called „Doing business personally or Story of a young entrepreneur“ she provided the students with experience from her own business and showed them an inspiration for a way to success.



### PARDUBICE REGION ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS COUNSELLORS PLAYED AT SUCCESS WITH JA

Junior Achievements programs were included in this year's agenda of the **meeting of counsellors with employers and vocational school directors** organized by the **Pardubice Region** for their elementary schools. Our presentation was focused on **Professional Orientation**, a course that helps pupils from last years of elementary schools with their career selection. The counsellors could experience, through one of the course activities – a game called Success – how the course classwork is organized.



### PC SIMULATIONS AND E-LEARNING ON SEPTEMBER TRAINING AGENDA

Teachers, which are going to teach **MESE** and **BIA PC simulations** or our **Get to Know Your Money e-learning program**, passed an initial training organized in the premises of **Hewlett-Packard**, Junior Achievement longterm partner and supporter. Through the MESE (Management and Economic Simulation Exercise) and BIA (Banks in Action) simulations, students become virtual managers of production companies or banks and influence, by their decisions, values of key economic indicators of their companies. The Get to Know Your Money e-learning educates students, through modern teaching methods, how to responsibly manage their own money and become familiar with the world of finance.



### CZECH-SLOVAK EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE IN ZLÍN

The legendary Baťa villa in Zlín was the place of **Czech and Slovak Junior Achievement staff meeting**. With regard to the traditionally close connections between the countries, mostly in the program area, a whole range of possibilities how to **expand current cross-boarder co-operation** exists. Starting with adaptation of particular program modules over joint projects for teachers or students competitions up to mediation of partnerships between individual schools involved in the JA educational system. Longterm experience of both teams served as valuable material for **mutual inspiration** and **sharing of the best practices examples**.

## GET TO KNOW YOUR MONEY ON AN INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

Teachers of the e-learning program **Get to Know Your Money, Czech and Slovak JA** staff members and representatives of **Foundation for Children of Slovakia** met in Štúrovo, Slovakia. During the two-day gathering, evaluation of the project by experienced teachers and organizers was run and, for the less informed, a sample lecture was prepared. Partner of the Get to Know Your Money program is **Citigroup**, more information available also at <http://poznej.iacr.cz>



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