

## October 31, 2003 – Prague, Czech Republic

Four topics were discussed:

- Medium-term perspective of R&D in V4 countries
- Proposals of regional programs based on Article 169
- Central European Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities
- Strengthening the status and position of the V4 Academies

and the participants agreed that attention should be focused on the following:

1. Regional research infrastructure  
Four medium-size facilities that exist or can be created, plus networking of small facilities. Each Academy should make an inventory of small facilities in its country by the meeting in Bratislava.
2. Floods and their consequences in Central Europe  
Proposals concerning flood control should be sent to Prof. Mesko, who will draft a programme proposal for the meeting in Bratislava. Those concerning the social aspects of floods should be sent to Prof. Kotowska, and cultural consequences to Prof. Kozlowski.
3. Young people  
Each country will organise one conference for young researchers next year. Proposals will be sent to Prof. Strelau, the coordinator.
4. Central European Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities  
The Polish Academy will run it during the first year (2004), with Dr. Kornacki as the chief editor.
5. Joint project in the humanities and social sciences  
Prof. Kotowska is the coordinator, proposals should be sent to her.
6. The status of the Academies  
All should send their recommendations for strengthening the position of the Academies to Prof. Luby within one month.
7. The collaboration of the V4 Academies with IIASA  
Prof. Legocki proposed to invite director of IIASA for one of the next Forum of the V4 Academies to discuss their participation in this institution.