

THE FOUNDATION OF THE CZECH BUSINESS CLUB IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

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H.E. Jaroslav Ludva - the Ambassador of the Czech Republic in the UAE, delivering the opening speech at the initial meeting of the Czech Business Club (on the left: CBC Spokesman Vít Koďoušek)



The elected President of the Czech Business Club, JUDr. Pavel Foubík

Those members of the Czech business community living in the United Arab Emirates met at the Emirates Golf Club on May 28, 2014 to found the Czech Business Club. Among others, the Czech Republic's Ambassador to the UAE, Ing. Jaroslav Ludva, was present at the program, which included the election of a President.

The proposed candidates were unanimously elected, making JUDr. Pavel Foubík from the Brudra company the historic first President of the Czech Business Club in the United Arab Emirates. Ing. Jaroslav Ludva was elected Vice-President and PhDr. Roman Míšek from the Czechtrade government agency became the Secretary. Vít Koďoušek was named spokesman.

„Over the years, I began meeting with Czech businessmen regularly and I'm glad that we were finally able to frame these activities a formal organization," said Ambassador Ludva, in his speech. „I wish the Czech Business Club much success for the future and the many interesting activities that are now open to us.“

Approximately thirty participants then congratulated the newly elected President of the Czech Business Club. „Thank you for your trust and I hope that together will see to it that this club becomes a respected entity in the Emirates," said President Foubík. „We are opening contact with the Dubai Chamber of Commerce and will work to establish the Czech Business Club as best as we can in the local business environment. “ President Foubík also mentioned that the basic

impulse for initiating negotiations with the Dubai Chamber of Commerce came from the activity of Professor Michal Mejstřík, who also participated in the foundation meeting of the CBC and who must be thanked for his support.

The meeting of the CBC at the Emirates Golf Club affirmed that the Czech business community is very active in the Emirates and interested in further deepening the relationship between these individual entities. And this is precisely the basic idea behind the club - to create a platform for getting to know Czech businessmen and exchanging experience and knowledge regarding their economic activities in this country. The initial meeting already proved that the club will be the best place to establish new contacts and exchange important information.



Discussion during the initial meeting of the Czech Business Club



From left: PhDr. Roman Míšek, CzechTrade, Mr. Vít Koďoušek, H.E. Jaroslav Ludva, Ambassador of the Czech Republic in the UAE, and JUDr. Pavel Foubík, President of the Czech Business Club, UAE