

## CV - Jan Fischer - President of the CZSO

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President of the Czech Statistical Office

Born in Prague in 1951 in a family of professional mathematicians working in the areas of statistics and insurance business. Father, as a research worker at the Institute of Mathematics of the Academy of Sciences, devoted himself to mathematical and statistical applications in genetics, selective growing and psychology.

Mr Fischer graduated from the Faculty of National Economy of the University of Economics in Prague, field statistics and econometrics, in 1974. After graduation Mr Fischer began his career at the Federal Statistical Office of former Czechoslovakia– until 1981 as a research worker of the Research Institute of Socio-economic Information (the research organization subordinated to the Federal Statistical Office). In 1985 he completed postgraduate studies (PhD.) at the University of Economics, field economic statistics. Mr Fischer held various positions at the Federal Statistical Office until 1990 when he was appointed as its Vice-President. Then, after the split of the Czechoslovak Federation, Mr Fischer was appointed as Vice-President of the Czech Statistical Office in 1993.

In the 1990´s he stood at the head of the process of the building-up the new system of the Czech official statistics performing in democratic society and market-driven economy. Setting-up the new shape of international cooperation was also in his agenda.

Since the beginning of the 1990's Mr Fischer has headed the teams charged with processing of data of the general (parliamentary) and local elections.

From September 2000 Mr Fischer worked with the Taylor Nelson Sofres Factum Company as the Director for statistics, field activities and IT.

In 2001 he was assigned (as a technical expert) to the mission of the International Monetary Fund having suggested the concept, mission and organization of the national statistical service in East Timor.

From March 2002 up to his appointment as the President of the Czech Statistical Office he was the head of the research unit in the Faculty of Informatics and Statistics of the University of Economics in Prague.

The President of the Czech Republic appointed Mr Fischer as President of the Czech Statistical Office on 24 April 2003.

Mr Fischer stands at the head of the Czech Statistical Council (the supreme advisory body of the Czech Statistical Office) and he is the Vice Chairman of the Czech Statistical Society. He is a member of the Board on Gender Issues and the Board on Information Society of the Czech government.

Mr. Fischer has close ties with academia and universities, he is a member of the Scientific Board of the University of Economics and the Scientific Board of the Faculty of Informatics and Statistics of this University. In 2007 Mr Fischer was appointed as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Economics.

He is a member of the Scientific Board of the University of J.E.Purkyne.

Mr Fischer is a member of many international organisations, inter alia of the International Statistical Institute (ISI) and IAOS. In 2004-2006 he was a member of the Bureau of the Committee on Statistics of the OECD.