

International Institute of Political Science

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The Institute was established as early as 1990 but it only officially became a university department in 1996. In the last year it organised in collaboration with the Konrad Adenauer Foundation two conferences. The first conference “Security structures in Europe” was attended predominantly by students who took an active part in it. The second “Christian and conservative political parties” was an international conference in the true sense of the word and aroused great interest. The Foundation helped to acquire publications concerning problems of the European Union.

The Institute organised a number of lectures collectively entitled “Problems of social state” incorporated into the curriculum of courses at the Faculty of Law. The lectures were also attended by students of the Faculty of Arts. The Institute is developing a good co-operation with the Dutch Foundation of W. Drees, Slovak Academy of Sciences, established contacts with German and also Polish counterparts.

The Institute issues two regular periodicals, a quarterly “Political Science Journal”, the first Czech reviewed periodical in political science and a monthly “Building of states” which includes also students’ contributions. Both journals have the same objective – to constitute political science as a science. The Institute published a bulletin of studies “Current problems of parliamentarism”.