



## **Prof. Ing. Jiří Drahoš, DrSc., dr.h.c. mult.**

**First Vice-President of the Senate of the Parliament CR.**

Prior to his current position in the Senate PCR, he was President of the Czech Academy of Sciences (2009-2017), its Vice-President (2005-2009) and Director of the Institute of Chemical Process Fundamentals CAS (1996-2003). He also served as a regular member of the R&D Council to the Government of the CR. In 2018, he was elected to the Senate of the Parliament CR where he was Chairman of the Committee on Education, Science, Culture, Human Rights and Petitions (2018-2022).

Professor Drahoš graduated from the University of Chemistry and Technology Prague (1972), where he was appointed Full Professor of Chemical Engineering (2003). From 1985-1986 he worked as the Humboldt Fellow at the Hannover University (Germany). He is Visiting Professor at the University of Sao Paulo, Brazil. His principal research interests were focused on various aspects of multiphase chemical reactors. Jiří Drahoš is a Fellow of the Learned Society CR, Fellow of the Engineering Academy CR, Senator of the Academia Scientiarum et Artium Europaea, Honorary Fellow of the Institution of Chemical Engineers UK, President of the Czech Society of Chemical Engineering, and member of the Board of Directors of the Czech Association of Chemical Industry. He served as the President of the European Federation of Chemical Engineering (2006-2009). In 2012, he was awarded by the State Medal of Merit of the First Grade for service in the area of science.