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## Plácido Domingo and his Don Giovanni at the Estates Theatre in Prague

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**The world-famous singer, conductor and the holder of 14 Grammy Awards Plácido Domingo presented the unique project reminding 230<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the world premiere of the opera Don Giovanni in Prague. Significant anniversary will be celebrated by the concert performing Mozart's famous work at the Estates theatre on 27 and 29 October 2017 - both performances under the music direction of Maestro Domingo.**

The Minister of culture of the Czech Republic Daniel Herman said about this project. "Somewhere I read that the credo of the Maestro Domingo is: 'if I am not active, I am rusting.' This is an admirable attitude of the versatile artist, whose talent charmed generations of music lovers of all ages, regardless of nationality. Plácido Domingo is a heavenly gift to all of us. Today's meetings with the Maestro is a great honour for me and I look forward to his conducting at the Estates theatre. "

The general director of the National Theatre Jan Burian added: "I am very pleased that our theatre is already established between the world's largest stages and, therefore, becomes part of the diaries of the greatest opera stars," he said.

"The fact that Maestro Domingo personally initiated the project and is also actively involved in the preparations, makes, in our opinion, it a really special event," noted Radek Hrabě and Gabriela Boháčová (Domingo-Mozart-Prague society).

Vice-President of the Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic Jiří Šesták added that Prague "at certain times belonged among the spiritual and cultural centers of Europe. We should have the ambition to establish this link. This project should be a part of this joint effort."

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