

## Solar settlement?



Yesterday's decision by the Constitutional Court to order the Czech finance ministry to pay the full construction-savings subsidy for last year is being presented as possibly good news for solar investors too. They hope that the Court will now strike down a special tax that was imposed on them after they had already made their investment decisions. Finance Minister Miroslav Kalousek told [HN](#) that he is convinced that the Court can't rule in favor of the solar investors, but he added that, as we have seen, the Court is capable of saying anything. What taxpayers should probably fear more than a rather unpredictable Constitutional Court is a rather predictable finance minister. There are whispers of some sort of settlement with solar investors, whether out of court or not, that allows everyone to win - Kalousek, the investors, the politician-investors, the banks - everyone of course except the taxpayers. Such an outcome is almost inevitable when, in the famous words of Karel Schwarzenberg, the best poacher is hired as the gamekeeper.



**YOUR CAREER IS  
GOING GREAT**

**BUT IS IT  
GREAT  
FOR YOU?**

**PERHAPS WE  
SHOULD TALK.  
THIS IS WHO I AM**

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