

Occupy BB Centrum



There's nothing comparable in the CR to the Occupy Wall Street protests. Perhaps the closest this year was the transportation strike in June, when signs were held up decrying the cost of such things as the forced administration of IPB (Kč 400bn), the Pandurs (Kč 14.4bn) and the Opencards (Kč 2.7bn).

There have also been rather ineffective protests against high telecoms rates and bank fees. Andrej Babiš's harsh criticism of the Tuscany boys who create no wealth but leech off taxpayers also had some similarities. In the U.S., the issue is more what to do about a system rigged in favor of the super rich (to use the words of [Paul Krugman](#)). It's morally corrupt, but it's usually legal. The CR is still in the phase of institutionalizing the corrupt behavior (by exempting ČEZ from the public-procurement law, for example) and of dividing up the market among the oligarchs. In this sense, an Occupy BB Centrum or Occupy Příkopy protest might make sense. The unions have until their big demonstration on Nov. 17 to refine their strategy.



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