**EJP RD Call for Proposals 2019 for "Transnational research projects to accelerate diagnosis and/or explore disease progression and mechanisms of rare diseases.”**

**Eligibility Criteria – Czech Republic**

### General information

The national funding authority of the Czech Republic responsible for ensuring participation of the Czech entities in the present Call launched within the framework of the E-Rare programme (2014-2019) is the **Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports** – Department of Research and Development, Unit for European Research Area.

### Eligible partners

The participants from the Czech Republic in the projects´ consortia must meet the criteria of **research and knowledge-dissemination organisation** (hereinafter referred to as the “research organisation”) in accordance with the [Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation (2014/C 198/03)](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:C:2014:198:TOC). These might be public universities, public research institutes and/or another entities classified as research organisations.

It is obligatory that the Czech participants involved in the projects´ consortia prove compliance with the eligibility criteria and fulfilment of the conditions set by **§ 18 of the Act No. 130/2002 Coll. on Support of Research, Experimental Development and Innovation from Public Funds** and on Amendment to Some Related Acts by means of a **Statutory Declaration**. The required procedure is described and the Statutory Declaration template is available on the websites of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports: <http://www.msmt.cz/vyzkum-a-vyvoj-2/ejp>.

### Eligible costs

Eligible costs for a Czech participant involved in a project consortium are defined by **§ 2 of the Act No. 130/2002 Coll. on Support of Research, Experimental Development and Innovation from Public Funds** and on Amendment to Some Related Acts. The maximum indirect costs set for the present call are **25 % (flat rate)** of direct costs without the sub-contracting.

The **aid intensity** for activities carried out by a research organisation might be at the level of **100 %** provided that the research organisation complies entirely with requirements stipulated by the Article 2.1.1 “Public funding of non-economic activities” of the [Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation (2014/C 198/03)](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:C:2014:198:TOC) and proves it by means of the above-mentioned **Statutory Declaration**.

Should the above-stated criteria not be fulfilled by the Czech participant, funding rates will be adjusted appropriately by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports and will reach the level of **100 % for fundamental/basic research** activities, **50 % for applied research** activities and **25 % for experimental development** activities.

Each Czech participant in a project consortium is requested to specify the costs related to the envisaged R&D activities in detail by using the **Eligible Costs Specification** template available on websites of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports: <http://www.msmt.cz/vyzkum-a-vyvoj-2/ejp>.

### Eligibility confirmation

All of the requested documentation (i.e. Statutory Declaration and Eligible Costs Specification) shall be sent by each Czech participant in a project consortium to the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports no later than **14th February 2019** both by electronic correspondence and post.

In the case of **full proposal** the actual form of **Eligible Costs Specification** shall be sent to the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports no later than **11th June 2019.**

The **electronic version** of requested documentation shall be sent to the address of electronic correspondence Daniel.Hanspach@msmt.cz.

One **signed and stamped hard copy** (by the statutory representative of research organisation) of requested documentation shall be submitted as well following the instructions stipulated on websites of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports: <http://www.msmt.cz/vyzkum-a-vyvoj-2/ejp>.

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