

**Joint Programming Initiative “Healthy Diet for a Healthy Life” (HDHL)**

**Call 2019 – “Knowledge Hub on Food and Nutrition Security”**

**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 Joint Programming Initiative “Healthy Diet for a Healthy Life” (HDHL) 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/iniciativa-spolecneho-programovani-zdrava-vyziva-pro-zdravy-2>.

### 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/iniciativa-spolecneho-programovani-zdrava-vyziva-pro-zdravy-2>.

### Eligibility confirmation

The Copy of the “Expression of Interest” shall be sent by each Czech participants to the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports to the address of electronic correspondence daniel.hanspach@msmt.cz no later than **4th of April 2019.**

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 **4th of April 2019** both by electronic correspondence and post.

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/iniciativa-spolecneho-programovani-zdrava-vyziva-pro-zdravy-2>.

Updated 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 **5th of September 2019** both by electronic correspondence and post.

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

In the case that projects of Czech participant will be recommended for funding, based on the international evaluation outcomes, one approved by the Call Steering Committee, the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports may ask the successful Czech participant to the submit additional documents either in English or Czech language in order to issue the decision on granting the national financial support according to the rules stipulated by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports.

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