

# ***Czech-Norwegian Research Programme CZ09***

## **Information Meeting with Partners 2015**

Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports  
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Trondheim, Norway

# Agenda

1. Reporting on the programme implementation
2. Monitoring and evaluation of project periodic reports 2014
3. Programme agreement amendments
4. Reallocation from the programme CZ08
5. Second payments request 2015
6. Next steps

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# 1. Reporting on CZ09

## 1. Recapitulation of 2014-2015

- ✓ **Call for proposals results**
- ✓ **Evaluation process**
- ✓ **Recent allocation**
- ✓ **Programme outputs**
- ✓ **Monitoring of programme**
- ✓ **Programme budget and spending**
- ✓ **Certification**
- ✓ **Second payments requests**

# 1. Reporting on the programme implementation

## Programme Recap of 2014

- The **Call for proposals** 2013 launched on 29 November 2013 and closed on 3 February 2014
- **Evaluation** between February and June 2014 – included formal check and evaluation of proposals by international independent experts
- Programme Committee (PC) meeting on 11-12 June 2014 - the **best projects** recommended and selected for the financial support – 19 in total
- Recommendation by the PC was fully endorsed and approved by the Programme Operator
- On 15 July 2014 - results of the Call announced by Programme Operator
- On 12 September 2014 - the Programme Operator issued **project contracts**  
The projects realization started at the latest on 12 November 2014
- On 27 October 2014 the Programme Operator sent **first payments** to the project promoters amounting to 82,740,000 CZK including projects support (regranting) and project preparatory costs (Fund for bilateral relations).

# 1. Reporting on the programme implementation

## Programme Recap of 2014

- **prolongation** of eligibility of Programme expenditures originally set to 30 April 2017 was extended **till 31 December 2017**
- **But project expenditure eligibility by 30 April 2017!**
- amendment of Annex I. to the Programme agreement was issued and accepted on 29 October 2014
- Additionally, it was decided about a **reallocation of 2,016,377 €** i.e. 53,433,991 CZK (exchange rate 26.5 CZK/€) from the programme **Carbon Capture and Storage CZ08** in the following areas: *Pilot Studies and Surveys on CCS Technology*. Approved by Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- **reallocation requires 25 million CZK** as co-financing which is the Programme Operator ready to provide.
- to use all reallocated funds together with MEYS contribution for institutional support of selected research projects from the reserve list.

# 1. Reporting on the programme implementation

## Programme Recap of 2014

- submitted 389 in total of applications for projects
- 6 applications were found ineligible

Total amount applied for is 7,827,671,000 CZK (€ 295,384,000 €)

**Amount available 433,548,000 CZK** (16,360,301€ e.g. 13,088,241€ Programme + 3,272,060€ national-co-financing).

All available allocation was fully spent.

The Programme Committee fully endorsed the ranking order.

- 19 proposals were selected for funding (1 quit later in December 2014)

**7 proposals were put on the reserve list.** Up to 4 of them are likely to be funded in case funds are transferred from programme CZ08.

Out of the 19 proposals selected (now 23 supported projects):

At least 23 have Norwegian partner/partners

1 has apart from a Norwegian partner a partner from Switzerland (but not supported from the programme).

# 1. Reporting on the programme implementation

## Reporting on outputs

The single outcome of the Programme is *Increased research cooperation between Norway and the Czech Republic*. This outcome is broken down into 3 main outputs:

**(1) *International research cooperation projects*** expressed in number

– target: 40 projects - 23 projects are supported.

**(2) *Suitable conditions and environment for young researchers***

(Number of female researchers and PhD and Post docs students involved in cooperating projects) – target: 20 female researchers and 20 PhD or post docs students - shall be achieved.

**(3) *Number of Internationally refereed scientific publications***

– target: 40 - cannot be estimated in this early stage of implementation.

The targeted number of cooperating research institutions by country is 50. The actual number is 59 teams from 40 research organisations.

# 1. Reporting on the programme implementation

## Monitoring of Programme

In 2014 the Programme underwent 2 audits provided by Audit Authority and Programme Operator.

Both audits **confirmed proper and correct settings** of management and control systems at CZ09.

On 5 September 2014 PO received the report called *Opinion verifying compliance of the management and control systems* by Audit Authority NFP prepared for FMO confirming the setting of the management and control systems at PO.

February – June 2015 – audited by Moore Stephenson contracted by FMO in Brussels.

2nd audit of Audit Authority has been launched in September.



# Programme Budget

- Budget has been increased by 2,016,377 Euro due to reallocation from CZ08 programme.
- All support was allocated to Regranting+Bifond+Complementary Actions.
- No increase in the item *Management costs*.

### 3. Programme agreement amendments

#### Recent allocation CZ09:

Structure	Norwegian FM 85 %	National co- funding 15 %	Total eligible expenditures of the Programme	
	€/CZK	€/CZK	€/CZK	% of total
Programme management	1 062 500	187 500	1 250 000	7,3 %
Project funding (regranting)	13 090 968	2 310 171	15 401 139	90,2 %
Bilateral cooperation fund	217 745	38 426	256 171	1,5 %
Complementary activities	145 163	25 618	170 781	1,0 %
TOTAL	14 516 377 384 683 990	2 561 715 67 885 447	17 078 091 452 569 411	100 %

# CZ09 Programme budget spending

- **All projects CZ09 meet the formal requirements in periodic reporting for 2014!**
- Institutional support for 2015 is being distributed to project promoters (11 out of 18 projects have received support for 2015)
- First payments to four projects from reserve list (additional allocation) have been executed in September 2015! 😊

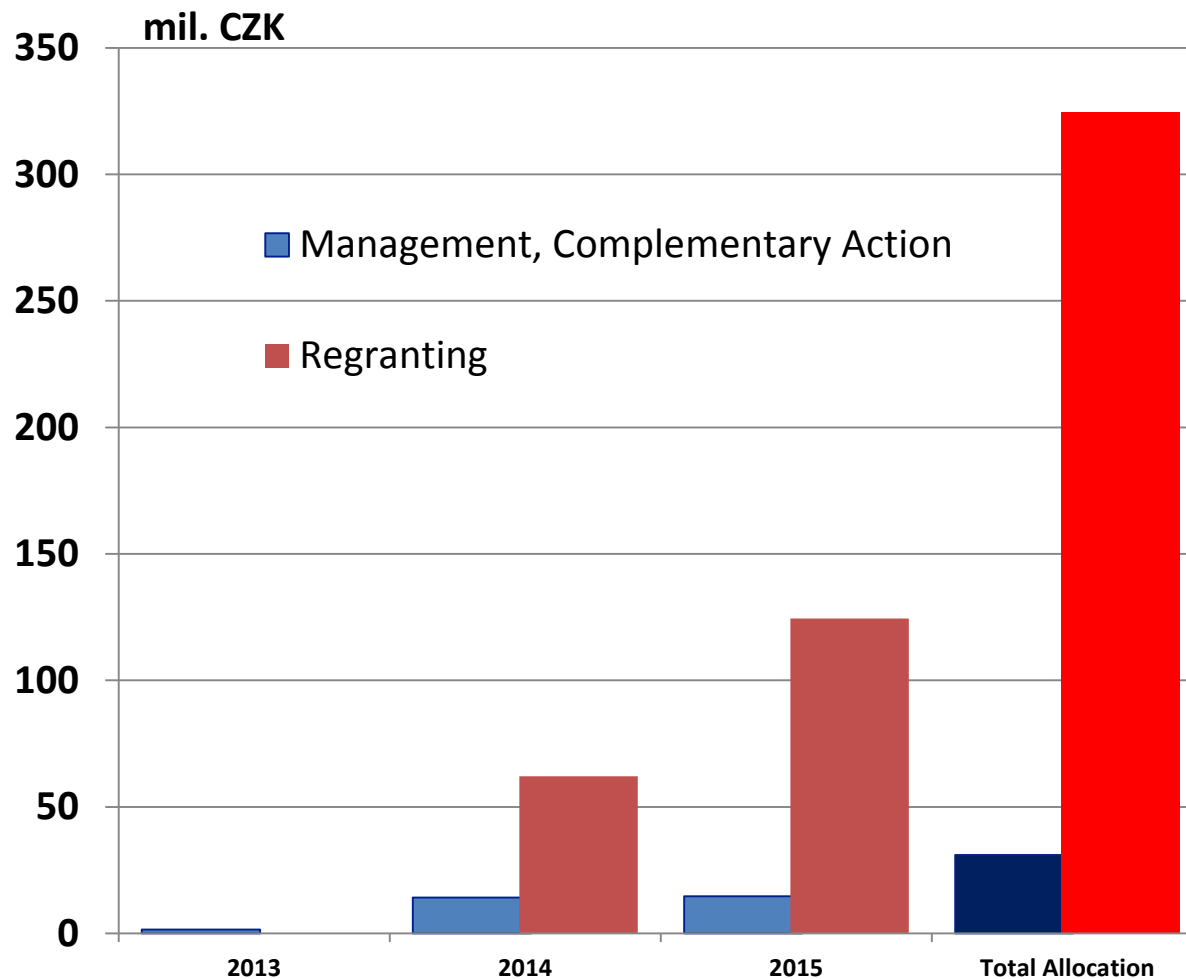
# Second payments requests in 2015

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**State to 18th September 2015**

# CZ09 Spending 2014-15

- Regranting and Management Cost in CZ09 programme - cumulative



# Certification of Programme expenditures

## **2014 – First certification**

Spent in total in CZK:	1,467,507
Certified FM share in CZK:	1,247,381 (56,069 EUR)
Certified in %:	100

## **2015 – Second certification**

Spent in total in CZK:	90,796,736
Certified FM share in CZK:	63,978,505 (2,731,052 EUR)
Certified in %:	100

## **PO schedule at the project level:**

- A sight visit at a project in October 2015
- A seminar on periodic reporting for project promoters in November 2015
- Collecting periodic reports 2015 by the Programme operator by 31 January 2016

# **Czech-Norwegian Research Programme**

**CZ09 Team**

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