**Responsibilities of a foreign higher education institution and subsidiaries of the foreign higher education institution**

Those, who intend to provide education in a foreign higher education study programme in the Czech Republic, (hereinafter „the applicant”) are obliged to register at the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic (hereinafter „the Ministry“) to fulfill the information obligation before the start of providing education in foreign higher education study programme in the Czech Republic (hereinafter „foreign education“).

To fulfill the information obligation, applicants have to register using written request according to § 93 section b) of the Act No. 111/1998 Coll. On Higher Education Institutions and on Amendments and Supplements to Other Acts (hereinafter „The Higher Education Act“), if it is a foreign higher education institution based in one of the member states of the European Union, European Economic Area or Swiss Confederation, or § 93 section. d) of The Higher Education Act, if it is a subsidiary of the foreign higher education institution based in one of the member states of the European Union, European Economic Area or Swiss confederation.

**Application must include:**

1) Information about the fact that applicant intends to provide a foreign education in the Czech Republic.

2) Identification of the place, where applicant intends to provide a foreign education in the Czech Republic.

3) Information about foreign education, mainly about the content of the higher education study programme, employability of graduates, organization of the studies, granting either academic or another degree, the scope of studies, as well as student´s rights and obligations.

**Application must further include:**

4) Documents providing the establishment and functions of the particular foreign higher education institution in the country of origin.

5) Documents for accreditation or another forms of recognition of the foreign education.

6) The part of application of the subsidiary of the foreign higher education institution must be agreement/agreements providing the information about cooperation between applicant and relevant foreign higher education institution.

The Ministry informs the applicant about the fulfillment of their obligation to provide the aforementioned information (hereinafter „obligation to inform“), by a written notification according to § 154 of the Code of Administrative Procedure Act No. 500/2004 Coll., and subsequently applicant is registered in a relevant register. This written notification may include requests for providing another documents or explanation of a certain facts. The notification also includes information, to which date the obligation to inform was fulfilled, i. e. the day when the applicant provided all necessary documents required by The Higher Education Act, as well as fulfilled another conditions which are imposed by foreign law according to which the foreign higher education institution or its subsidiary was established. **Applicant is not allowed to provide any foreign education in the Czech Republic until written consent is obtained.** This does not apply to applicants who have provided foreign education before the effective amendment No. 137/2016 Coll., which changes The Higher Education Act and the other acts. These providers of foreign education have the obligation to apply for fulfillment of obligation to inform, in accordance with transitional provisions of the cited amendment, until **October 1st 2017**.

All providers of foreign education will be included in the register after obtaining the written statement about compliance of obligation to inform, and only since then all students of the foreign higher education institution or its subsidiary are eligible to social purposes and health insurance.

**Responsibilities of a non-European higher education institutions and subsidiaries of non-European higher education institutions**

Those who intend to provide education in a foreign higher education study programme in the Czech Republic, (hereinafter „the applicant”) are allowed to do so only with a written permission or authorization from the Ministry. The Ministry will give a written permission based on a written request according to § 93 section f) of The Higher Education Act, if it is a foreign higher education institution located outside of the European Union, European Economic Area or Swiss Confederation, or written authorization according to § 93 section h) of The Higher Education Act, if it is a subsidiary of a foreign higher education institution located outside of the European Union, European Economic area or Swiss Confederation.

**Application must content:**

1) Information about the fact that applicant intends to provide a foreign education in the Czech Republic.

2) Identification of the place, where applicant intends to provide a foreign education in the Czech Republic.

3) Information about foreign education, mainly about the content of the higher education study programme, employability of graduates, organization of the studies, granting either academic or another degree, the scope of studies, as well as student´s rights and obligations.

4) Information about statutory bodies of the applicant.

**Application must further content:**

4) Documents providing the establishment and functions of the particular foreign higher education institution in the country of origin.

5) Documents for accreditation or another forms of recognition of the foreign education.

6) The part of application of the subsidiary of non-European higher education institution must be agreement/agreements providing the information about cooperation between applicant and relevant foreign higher education institution.

Permission or authorization is determined by the Ministry within 150 days. **Applicant is not allowed to provide any foreign education in the Czech Republic until written consent about domestic permission or authorization is obtained.** This does not apply to applicants, who have provided foreign education before the effective amendment No. 137/2016 Coll., which changes The Higher Education Act and the other acts. These providers of foreign education have the obligation to apply for domestic permission or authorization, in accordance with transitional provisions of the cited amendment, until **October 1st 2017**.

All providers of foreign education will be included in the register after obtaining the written permission or authorization, and only since then all students of the foreign higher education institution or its subsidiary are eligible to social purposes and health insurance.