



Smart Accelerator II (Call No 02_18_055)

What is the aim of this call?

The aim of the call is to facilitate in the individual Regions of the Czech Republic the development of innovative environment in accordance with the National RIS3 and its regional annexes. The call will support the building and development of capacities, organizational structures and know-how at the level of Regions so that they are able to develop research, development and innovation. Support will also be provided towards quality management of the entrepreneurial discovery process at regional level. This process involves the private sector, research and educational institutions, the public sector and other key local stakeholders.

Who can apply for a grant?

- Higher territorial self-governing units
- In the call, each eligible applicant is permitted to submit only one grant application.

How and when to apply?

The call was announced on 17.08.2018. Grant applications will be received through IS KP14+ (<https://mseu.mssf.cz>) in the period from 17.08.2018, 10:00 till 31.10.2019, 14:00.

What is the amount of financial support?

- Allocation of the call: CZK 550 000 000
- Minimum amount of expenditure: CZK 5 000 000
- The maximum amount of expenditure is determined individually for each applicant based on the indicators of Research and Development for 2016, R&D Expenditure by Region (Tab. 54), the Czech Statistical Office, and with regard to the Strategic Framework for Economic Restructuring of the Ústí and Labem, Moravian-Silesian and Karlovy Vary Regions.

What activities are eligible?

Mandatory activities:

- project management,
- core team (ensuring the capacity and key competences for coordination and implementation of the RIS3 agenda)
- training and competence development (training of the implementation team members, competence development of experts from public administration and from organizations involved in regional partnerships for the management of the National and regional RIS3, seminars or conferences in the Czech Republic and in countries of the European Research Area)
- mapping and analyses.

Optional activities:

- assistance (support for preparing strategic project plans or strategic interventions in the Region),
- twinning (cooperation with an experienced foreign entity from countries of the European Research Area),
- pilot verification (verifying the functioning of a support tool, the roles of the individual actors involved and the interest of the target group),
- marketing and communication strategy of the Region.

The above mandatory and optional activities are detailed in chapter 5.2.4 of the Rules for Applicants and Beneficiaries – specific part.

Who is the grant provider and where to find further information?

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