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What is the aim of this call?

The aim of the call is to support the specific needs of structurally affected regions in implementing the “Strategic framework for economic restructuring of the Ústí nad Labem Region, the Moravian-Silesian Region and the Karlovy Vary Region” and in implementing the measures of the Aggregate Action Plan for the Restructuring Strategy of those Regions.

Who can apply for a grant?

Public, state and private higher education institutions that operate or plan to operate in structurally affected regions and comply with the Rules for Applicants and Beneficiaries.

What is the amount of financial support?

Allocation of the ESF call for HEIs

- Structurally affected regions: CZK 600 000 000 (CZK 300 000 000 for projects with impact in the Moravian-Silesian Region; CZK 300 000 000 for projects with impact in the Ústí nad Labem Region and/or the Karlovy Vary Region)

Allocation of the ERDF call for HEIs

- Structurally affected regions: CZK 1 600 000 000 (CZK 800 000 000 for projects with impact in the Moravian-Silesian Region; CZK 800 000 000 for projects with impact in the Ústí nad Labem Region and/or the Karlovy Vary Region)

- Minimum amount of expenditure: CZK 1 500 000
- The maximum amount of expenditure in projects under the ESF call for HEIs - Structurally affected regions: CZK 300 000 000
- The maximum amount of expenditure in projects under the ERDF call for HEIs - Structurally affected regions: CZK 800 000 000
- The maximum amount of de minimis aid may be EUR 200 000.

What activities are eligible?

The mandatory activity for both calls is project management.

Mandatory-to-select activities of the ESF call for HEIs - Structurally affected regions can be implemented across specific objectives 1, 2 and 4 of Priority Axis 2. Applicants choose at least one of 6 mandatory-to-select activities described in the call. Applicants may also choose two optional activities.

They can focus, for example, on:

- Improving the quality of educational activities and on modern teaching trends,
- Supporting the creation of study programmes that are in demand in the labour market,
- Deepening the internationalization of study,
- Improving the availability of advisory and assistance services,
- Developing the academic and non-academic staff,
- Support for students with special needs,
- Creating systems of internal quality assurance and implementing external evaluations to improve quality of the HEI.

In the ERDF call for HEIs - Structurally affected regions, which serves as an investment complement of the ESF call, applicants select at least one of 3 mandatory-to-select activities described in the call.

The support can be directed, for example, towards:

- reconstruction and modernization of spaces for study,
- purchase of instrumentation,
- investment support for activities focused on pupils with special needs,
- acquisition, creation or access to electronic information resources,
- construction of new buildings (only under special conditions).

How and when to apply?

The calls were announced on 14.02.2018. Grant applications will be received through IS KP14+ (<https://mseu.mssf.cz>) in the period from 14.02.2018, 10:00 till 31.07.2018, 14:00.

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

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