



Executive summary

Evaluation¹ of the coverage of Priority Axis 1 by Operational Programme Research, Development and Education (OP RDE) calls was made by a functionally independent Evaluation Unit of the OP RDE for internal needs of the OP Managing Authority.

This analysis aims to identify activities listed in the OP RDE programme document which have not yet been covered by any announced/opened call and furthermore to determinate the coverage intensity of activities already covered by closed or ongoing calls.

In order to carry out this evaluation the method of desk research of primary sources (individual calls of the Priority axis including their Rules for Applicants and Beneficiaries - specific part) was used, as well as the OP RDE programme document itself.

Up to now, **twelve calls for proposals with total budget of CZK 28,498,000,000** have been opened under Priority Axis 1 in total. Of these, eleven calls have already been closed. Within Priority Axis 1, one call is currently ongoing, namely 02_17_043 Teaming II.

The analysis shows that most of the calls have so far been opened in specific objective 1 (SO 1), five calls in total, but this corresponds to the scope of this specific objective and to the greater extent of the activities mentioned in the program document OP RDE under this specific objective. The fewest calls have been announced so far in a specific objective 4, only one call. This specific objective appears to be the least covered so far in the range of activities mentioned for SO4 in the OP RDE programme document.

Overview of the specific objectives of Priority Axis 1 and their coverage of activities listed in the OP RDE programme document:

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SO 1 Enhancing of the international quality of research and its results



Development of research teams capacity, including the provision of quality technical staff, obtaining of top home and foreign researchers, quality starting researchers and specialists from the application sector and provision of related material conditions and needs for the research activity



Completion, modernization or upgrade of current research infrastructure



Construction of new or modernized existing R&D infrastructure and research centres in Prague in the areas of research specialisation in the Czech Republic



Support of open access to scientific information



Establishment of strategic partnerships and programmes of research collaboration with leading institutions abroad



Participation of research teams in international research projects in the areas of national and European priorities



Co-financing of projects in the Horizon 2020 programme



Creation of new visitor centres and development of the existing visitor centres in the supported research centres and infrastructures



Delivery of parts of infrastructure and research equipment into international research infrastructures ("in kind contribution") by Czech research institutes



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SO2 Establishing of capacities and reinforcement of the long-term cooperation of research organizations with the application sector

- Preparation and implementation of projects of long-term collaboration between research organisations and companies and interdisciplinary partnerships
- Capacity building and implementation of research projects in the pre-application phase
- Support of preparation of international research projects Future emerging technologies
- Co-financing of projects in the Horizon 2020 programme and funding of high-quality projects that have successfully passed the evaluation of the Horizon 2020 programme**

SO3 Improvement of the infrastructure for the research-educational purposes

- Improvement of infrastructure conditions of universities and institutes of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Rep . that cooperate in the research-focused study programs relevant for RIS3
- In reasonable cases also the construction of new infrastructures for the development of research-focused study programs will be allowed



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SO4 Improvement of the strategic research management at the national level

- Development of strategic management of national RDI policies**
- Implementation of a new motivation system of evaluation and institutional funding of research organisations**
- Creation and implementation of mechanisms for the co-ordination of support for international research and innovation activities**
- Management of RIS3 at the national level a
- Creation/development and implementation of integrated communication of the R&D information sources
- Creation/development and implementation of integrated communication of the R&D results**

* *Bold marked activities have not been covered by calls yet*

Recommendations to the OP RDE Managing Authority are to consider and, if appropriate, to open calls in line with the non-covered activities listed above in the specific objectives of the priority axis 1.



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