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LIST OF PROGRAMMES

PRG	Programme name	Programme Operator	Programme Partner
CZ01	Technical Assistance and Fund for Bilateral Relations at national level	NFP	---
CZ02	Biodiversity and Ecosystem services & Environmental Monitoring and Integrated Planning Control & Adaptation to Climate Changes	Ministry of Finance	Ministry of Environment
CZ03	Funds for Non-governmental Organizations	Civil Society Development Foundation	---
CZ04	Children and Youth at Risk	Ministry of Finance	Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs
CZ05	National, Regional, Local Initiatives to Reduce Inter-Group Inequalities and to Promote Social Inclusion	Ministry of Finance	---
CZ06	Cultural Heritage and Contemporary Art	Ministry of Finance	Ministry of Culture
CZ07	Scholarship Programme	Dům zahraniční spolupráce - Centre for International Cooperation in Education	Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport
CZ08	Pilot Studies and Surveys on CCS Technology	Ministry of Finance	Ministry of Environment
CZ09	Czech-Norwegian Research Programme	Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport	---
CZ10	Capacity Building and Institutional Cooperation between Beneficiary State and Norwegian Public Institutions, Local and Regional Authorities	Ministry of Finance	---
CZ11	Public Health Initiatives	Ministry of Finance	Ministry of Health
CZ12	Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Promoting Work-Life Balance & Domestic and Gender-based Violence; Let's give (wo)men a chance	Open Society Fund	---
CZ13	Domestic and Gender-based Violence & Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Promoting Work-Life Balance	Ministry of Finance	---
CZ14	Schengen Cooperation and Combatting Cross-border and Organised Crime, including Trafficking and Itinerant Criminal Groups	Ministry of Finance	Ministry of Interior
CZ15	Judicial Capacity-building Cooperation and Correctional Services, including Non-custodial Sanctions	Ministry of Finance	Ministry of Justice

1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The National Focal Point (NFP) submitted its Strategic Reports for 2014 to the Financial Mechanism Committee and the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in accordance with Article 2.2 of the Regulation on the Implementation of the EEA/Norwegian Financial Mechanisms 2009-2014 on 1st April 2015.

This Update to the 4th Strategic Reports is submitted in accordance with the Article 2.3 of the Regulation and contains information on relevant developments and progress within EEA and Norway Grants 2009-2014 from January to August 2015. The donors' comments to the Strategic Reports sent to the NFP on 1 June 2015 are also reflected in this Update.

During the year 2015 there have been legislative changes under preparation and new policies prepared affecting the programmes in area of environment (CZ02, CZ08), children (CZ04), inequalities and inclusive education (CZ05), fighting the corruption (CZ10), domestic and gender-based violence (CZ12, CZ13) and Schengen (CZ15) – details are described in chapter 2.1.2.

Within the year 2015 all 15 approved programmes continued their implementation, only two open calls are still running (CZ01 – BFNL, CZ07).

Until 31 August 2015 66,5 mill. EUR (54,9% of total allocation) was disbursed to the Programme Operators (advance payments or already incurred expenditures) of which 16,8 mill. EUR (13,5% of total allocation) was disbursed by Programme Operators till 30 April 2015 (last certification period).

The NFP appreciated the official information about possibility to extend the project implementation in 12 programmes until 30 April 2017 and started to prepare the official requests for the extension to the FMO: for the first part of the projects the official request for the extension was submitted to the FMO on 17 July 2015 and the request for the extension of the rest of the projects will be sent in September 2015.

Thanks to the possibility of projects' prolongation till April 2017, the time risk no longer remains as the most significant risk within programmes. The new most important risk now is the bilateral relations risk caused by low number of supported initiatives both at national and programme level.

The updated overview of the status of individual programmes, results of the risk analysis at the national and programme level as well as the overview of the publicity activities in 2015 is attached to this Update.

2 ASSESSMENT OF THE EFFECT OF THE GRANTS

2.1 Cohesion

2.1.1 The macroeconomic situation in the Czech Republic in 2014

Please refer to the main report.

2.1.2 Development of sectors in the CR

New legislation, new policy in the sectors

A significant change in the Czech legislation brought the Act no. 234/2014 Coll., on the civil service, which is effective since 1st January 2015 and is influencing the Czech state administration. One of the results is establishing of Nature Conservation Agency of the Czech Republic as an administrative authority, which has become an umbrella government body for administration of protected areas.

Within the area of environment (especially programme CZ02), Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council no. 1143/2014 on the prevention and control of introduction and spread of invasive species is implemented by the European Union in 2015. The Czech Republic is currently solving the factual law draft, which can fully integrate this regulation into Czech legal system. The announcement of a new protected area Brdy is intensively prepared and relevant government regulation is being elaborated on this subject. Proposal for expanding the national list of European important sites in the Natura 2000 was submitted this year.

One of the outcome indicators within the programme CZ04 “Children and Youth at Risk” – newly developed and/or enforced child-centred legislation in line with the recommendations of the UN Committee and other documents is in the phase of preparation. However, the political ill will in relation to the prepared new law for protection of children threatens the whole pre-defined project and programme implementation. Mitigation measures by the Programme Operator consisting in strengthened monitoring of pre-defined project including on-the-spot control were adopted. Prolongation of pre-defined project implementation till April 2017 is inevitable. The key problem of the system of care for vulnerable children remains in the overall fragmentation. Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs continues the transformation. The new legislation will seek to unify the system for which a close cooperation of a number of ministries, including those that establish or mentor residential facilities for children, will be necessary. The direction of the new legislation will clearly declare attitudes and approaches of the state and the system of the protection of children and families who find themselves in difficult life situations. Emphasis is placed on prevention and development of a more comprehensive range of service offerings and partnership and collaborative approach.

In relation to the programme CZ05 the Poverty Reduction Act has been updated (19.11.2014) with regard to the governmental contribution to the accommodation costs of the poor people. Thousands of poor people live in the so-called “residential hotels”, a low-quality accommodation with extremely high rent paid by the governmental subsidy. The new amendment to the act opens the opportunity to the city councils to be part of the approval process for the financial contributions and, consequently, practically to stop the service of these hotels. This is subject of legal interpretation to be done by the courts once some case is opened, however, remarkable number of poor people is in danger of losing their homes. The year 2015 is also the final year of the governmental Strategy for combating social exclusion for the period 2011 -2015. Generally, the goals haven't been achieved in wide range and the preparations of the strategy for the upcoming period are still in process. Moreover the Ministry of

Education, Youth and Sports developed Action plan for the inclusion in the education system 2016 - 2018, however, the plan has not been discussed widely enough across other involved offices and lack of synergy with other policies fighting against poverty and social exclusion may appear.

As for 2015 in the area of education there has been focus put on implementation of the strategies adopted in 2014, namely the national Strategy for Education Policy of the Czech Republic until 2020, strategy for youth policy 2014–2020 (Youth Support Concept for the period 2014–2020) and The Strategy for Digital Education in the Czech Republic until 2020. There were several supporting documents prepared and/or adopted in 2015, e. g. the Action Plan for Inclusive Education 2016-2018. As for the vocational education and training, the European Credit System for Vocational Education and Training became a part of educational policy representing a way to recognition of competencies/qualifications and strengthening European dimension. The year 2015 was announced as the Year of technical education and training.

As regards the CCS area (programme CZ08), in July 2015 a proposal to new revision of European legislation regarding emissions trading was presented, including establishing European funds for OZE and CCS. In the Czech Republic, the CCS technologies did not develop very dynamically in the reported period. There has been no new legislation in the CR adopted since the last reporting. However, the new draft amendment to the Act No. 85/2012 Coll., on CCS storage, has been submitted, which shall transpose the EU legislation into the national law. Still, pursuant to the European legislation (the Directive 2009/31/EC of the European Parliament and the Council on the geological storage of carbon dioxide and amending Directives 85/337/EEC, 2000/60/EC, 2001/80/EC, 2004/35/EC, 2006/12/EC and 2008/1/EC and Regulation (EC) No. 1013/2006, the Czech Republic as a EU member is permanently obliged to explore the options for the geological storage of CO₂ and apply the eco-innovative tools and to implement demonstration pilot projects. The Ministry of Environment as the Programme Partner stays in continual contacts with all relevant subjects in the CR (the Czech Geological Survey, the Czech Mining Office, the regional, municipal and city authorities, universities, scientific and research institutions as well as NGOs) in order to set into practical use the themes relevant to the CCS and related Czech legislation, whenever possible.

Within the context of the programme CZ10 the Government approved Conception for fighting corruption for the period 2015-2017 in December 2014. The Conception delineates scope of governmental fight against corruption, i.e. it defines effective tools, formulates basic content of follow-up action plans and lays down institutional framework. In 2015-2017 following priority areas were selected: a) the effective and independence executive, b) transparency and open access to information, c) economy in management of state-owned property and d) civil society development. The Conception for fighting corruption in years 2015-2017 has created a background for follow-up governmental document called Action Plan for fight against corruption as a fundamental governmental tool for fighting corruption. The document determines key legislative and non-legislative measures that the Government would like to undertake. The Action plan presents comprehensive and concrete aspects of governmental anti-corruption policy. The emphasis is put on mutual cooperation of all stakeholders, gestors and coordinators incl. Government Council for coordination of fighting corruption. The Action Plan is focused on both targets that should be met by implementation of goals set for 2015 and justification of necessary anti-corruption measures in context of general governmental policy for fight against corruption. In 2015 the Czech Republic has continued with necessary cooperation with international institutions. The Czech Republic is member of GRECO (Group of States against corruption), it has joined Open Government Partnership initiative and has taken part at number of international conferences aimed at exchange of know-how and best practices related to fighting corruption. However, GRECO's 2015 evaluation report of progress in policy addressing corruption penal sanctions and financing of political parties was negative, the progress was evaluated as insufficient and the government was urged to implement recommendations and reforms as soon as possible.

In the sector of domestic and gender-based violence (programmes CZ12, CZ13) the Office of the Government of the Czech Republic introduced the Action Plan for the Prevention of Domestic and Gender-based Violence for 2015 – 2018 in February 2015. The Action Plan deals with the perpetrators anew and also embodies the gender-based violence issue. In June 2015, the legislative council of the government has approved the draft of the novel on introducing quotas for equal representation of women and men on the slate for the parliament and regional councils. But the prognoses about its approval by the Parliament are very pessimistic. On 13 July 2015 the Report on Equality of Women and Men and on the Implementation of the Government Strategy in 2014 (hereinafter referred to as the “Report”) was discussed by the Government. The Report evaluates the progress in promotion of equality of women and men in the Czech Republic as well as in implementation of the Government Strategy in 2014. It includes recommendations of the Government Council for Equality of Women and Men in order to support more effective implementation of the Government Strategy.

Resolution of the Czech government no. 198/2014 (April 4, 2014) adopting National Schengen plan 2014-2020 – a strategic document “Strategy of the Czech migration policy” was approved by the Government in July 2015, setting 7 main principles for the integration policy (CZ14).

Financial resources in the sectors

In the area of non-profit sector, the Czech ministries could provide multi-year grants for the support of NGO activities instead of annual grants at the beginning of the year 2015. In the meantime, departments used this opportunity rarely. The sector managed to enforce the support for the Capacity building of NGOs under the ESIF (European Union of structural and investment funds). Under the Operational Programme Technical Assistance and Operational Programme Employment open calls for umbrella organizations will be launched. Other calls were announced under Operational Programme Employment for capacity building of NGOs in the field of social inclusion. Simultaneously for support from EU funds for programming period 2014 – 2020, 0 % of co-finance in selected areas has been approved. The Czech government approved the state policy towards NGOs for years 2015 – 2020. This document is the first long-term conceptual material elaborated to the individual steps for support of non-profit sector. For the first time, this document was drafted in collaboration with representatives of non-profit organizations.

Recently there were two main financial resources for the campaign against hatred and violence (programme CZ05), the EEA and Norway grants and the grant scheme of the Open Society Fund Foundation. Czech organisations may also participate in the international projects funded by other program schemes, such as Program Civil Justice (EU). However, comparing with the width of the issue, the lack of financial resources is still remarkable.

Financing of all the cultural areas is insufficient from the long-term point of view. Public budgets do not and cannot investigate the volume of resources necessary for fulfilment of cultural policy objectives. One of the Ministry of Culture’s (representing the Programme Partner) task is to actively seek out possibilities of creating outside-budget resources and continue to systematically create the appropriate conditions. The Ministry of Culture expenditures for the year 2015 were approved in the amount of 11,5 billion CZK, representing 0.61% of the state budget. The long-term effort of the Ministry of Culture is to achieve a budget increase of 1% of the state budget (thus securing the increase of financial resources needed for programmes aimed at the conservation and restoration of cultural monuments, cultural activities, digitization of cultural content, etc.), which the Government of the Czech Republic is committed to, according to the Programme Declaration of the Government – Government Resolution no. 96/2014, signed in April 2014. The trend of troublesome financing within the cultural sector provokes an enormous interest of potential applicants and increase in their number within the Programme, far exceeding the available financial allocation. The Programme Area 17, funded under the scheme of EEA and Norway Grants, received a total of 48 project proposals in the 2nd Open Call, of which

only 14 were awarded grants. High interest may be reported also in the Bilateral Fund – measure “B” area: since January 2015, when the Open Call was launched, approx. one third of the available funds have been allocated to the approved initiatives.

In case of the health area, financing of particular sectors of health care is determined by the legislation. Financing of the sector of provision of health care services is determined by the Act on Public health insurance and by the accompanying decrees. Financing of the investment costs of particular healthcare facilities is, however, problematic. Thus, except of state sources, there is a significant need of search for other financial sources. Investments into healthcare facilities within the EU structural funds 2014-2020 belong among the targets, but the planned amount of financial resources is lower than in previous period 2008-2013, that is very challenging.

Financial support from Norway Grants still remains the most significant resource in the Czech Republic for programme areas of equal opportunities and domestic and gender-based violence (programme CZ12). The EU Structural Funds that plan to support flexible working regimes and child care services are not open yet, even the first calls were expected to be opened in the middle of 2015. The launch of the calls is postponed until autumn, the earliest. However, there is no funding planned for the area of domestic violence within the Structural Funds.

The government of the Czech Republic systematically provides financial funds in the area of crime prevention in the risk municipalities and regions (programme CZ14), especially through the Ministry of Interior’s Fund for crime prevention. The main goal of the government is to create stable and long-term financial channels to facilitate crime prevention and achieve successful crime combating. International and multilateral funding is welcome especially within the large and financially demanding projects, e.g. procurement of e-gates or establishing a National Control Authority. Furthermore, involvement of the foreign parties is appreciated, especially in relation to the exchange of knowledge, best practices and know-how sharing.

An increase of the Ministry of the Interior budget for year 2016 is being negotiated among others in relation with the increasing number of immigrants in EU territory and all the security and interior issues related to it.

Trends in the sectors

No major changes regarding the trends in the sector of environment or culture, related to the focus of the programmes, have occurred since January 2015. However, several improvements have been made in the platform of individual steps forward within the project implementation level. Several data systems and technologies used for nature conservation are being further developed; namely the wetland database of Czech Republic is being prepared for further use. Moreover the enlightenment of nature conservation issue is also further improved, e.g. houses of nature “Blaník” and “Moravský kras” were opened in 2015.

As for the area of culture, the objectives defined in the National cultural policy in 2009 – 2014 are still valid for the period of 2015 – 2020. Measures towards the realisation of the defined objectives, including the support of maintenance of existing cultural values, their cultivation and utilization as well as origination of new values and creating transparent and non-discriminatory environment for cultural activities and their support, are being taken.

As in many other countries in Europe, the issue of the Mediterranean migration wave dictates the discourse about the social inclusion, xenophobia and violence in general. The media, politicians and even common people discuss this topic very dramatically. There is a big difference in approaches across

the Czech society and the dynamics of the opinion exchanges (or presentations) is extremely high. The hate violence can hence appear in big parts of the society, not only within extremists groups.

The Scholarship Programme within EEA and Norway Grants (CZ07) in the Czech Republic is to be perceived as a complementary action to the Erasmus+ Programme, especially in view of individual mobility (which is supported only on project basis within the Erasmus+ Programme). Some impact on allocation of EEA/Norway grants is expected regarding the new Operational Programme Research, Development and Education adopted by the Czech Government in 2014 and by the European Commission in May 2015. As for its goals, these are in accordance with the national Strategy for Education Policy of the Czech Republic until 2020, i. e. the priority axis 3 „Equal access to quality pre-school, primary and secondary education”, axis 2 “The development of higher education and human resources for research and development“. The first calls are to be expected in late 2015.

A high-level conference on the elimination of gender-based violence financed by Norway Grants and organized by Open Society Fund Prague (programme CZ12) in co-operation with the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) and the Council of Europe took place on 27th and 28th of May 2015 in Prague, Czech Republic. At the end of the conference, the participants called on the European countries to ratify the Istanbul convention. The conference introduced progressive topics of the Panel of the experts that was aimed at the Role of Men in Combating Gender Based Violence and Information and Communication Technologies and the Internet.

On 9 April 2015 the Gender Expert Chamber of the Czech Republic (www.gekcr.cz/) was founded as an official, independent platform of gender equality experts. It aims to provide gender analyses and guarantee the expertise of its members from the field and to integrate a gender perspective into the agendas of the state and the private sector through the engagement of highly-qualified gender experts. Furthermore, on 20th June 2015 the second year of Women’s Congress focusing on women and media took place in Prague. The Women’s Congress was attended by more than 1000 women and men interested in gender equality. Opening speeches were held by the European Commissioner Ms Vera Jourová, Minister for Human Rights, Equal Opportunities and Legislation Mr Jiří Dienstbier and Ambassador of the French Republic Mr Jean-Pierre Asvazardourian. The Gender Equality Unit was actively participating in the preparation and organized a seminar on the image of Roma women in media (as a part of the international conference).

The justice sector (linked with CZ15 Programme) continues to improve conditions of inmates in remand prisons and aims to improve correctional services including alternative sentencing, by re-launching the initiative to implement the system of an electronic monitoring system and other new trends in the justice sector. The Ministry of Justice of the Czech Republic has recently re-launched its initiative to implement the system of electronic monitoring (i.e. “electronic tagging”) into the Czech judicial system. This initiative is synergic to Priority area 32 included in the Programme CZ15 – the introduction of electronic monitoring system will contribute to the goal of providing convicted persons with the opportunity to work, study, attend requalification courses and pursue their social and family lives to allow them to return to society more effectively upon serving their sentence. Introduction of the electronic monitoring system will have benefits in terms of reducing the number of prisoners and it will also contribute to reducing reoffending rate in the Czech Republic and more effective protection of victims of crime. New concept of the penitentiary was launched in July 2015 and consists of about 45 persons in working group, the next activity is the establishment of activity of Probation House which helps to the selected target group of inmates to remedy them.

2.1.3 Main Programme Risks

In general, there has been a positive trend in the evaluation of the risk analysis made in 2015 in comparison with the previous analysis made in 2014. The risk analysis at the programme level was updated by the Programme Operators at the end of August 2015 under the guidance of the NFP.

Thanks to the possibility of projects' prolongation till April 2017, the time risk no longer remains as the most significant risk within programmes. The significance of the time risk was lowered due to the fact that the realization of projects might be prolonged by one year and there is a very high probability that the projects shall be implemented till the extended deadline.

The most important risks resulting from the analysis are specific programme risks which are unique risks identified for each programme realized in the Czech Republic. The specific risks are e.g. failure to fulfil outcome indicators within the programme CZ12, political ill will for adoption of new law for protection of children within the programme CZ04, overlapping with other funds within the programme CZ07. Programme Operators take several different measures for mitigation of the specific risks.

Another significant risk threatening successful programme realization is bilateral risk which lies in a small number of supported initiatives within Bilateral Fund at Programme Level and subsequent low disbursement rate of bilateral funds designed for programmes. This risk mainly concerns the programmes CZ03, CZ04, CZ11, CZ12, CZ13 and CZ14. Programme Operators strive for minimizing the risk by bigger promotion of the bilateral funds, close cooperation with Donor Programme Partners and the Norwegian Embassy in Prague and adjusting guidelines for applicants of the bilateral funds.

According to the results in risk scoring the programme CZ04 climbed to the top most threatened programmes in the Czech Republic especially due to the specific risk endangering the programme implementation and fulfilment of programme outcomes, i.e. political ill will for adoption of new law for protection of children. Programmes CZ09, CZ07 and CZ11 were also identified as the most risky programmes. On the contrary, the least risky programmes in the Czech Republic are programmes that consist just of one or more pre-defined projects such as programmes CZ05, CZ10 and CZ15.

The risk analysis at a programme level – traffic lights table and comparative table – forms a part of **Annex 5**.

2.1.4 Risks at the National Level

The NFP continuously monitors national risks that may affect the implementation of programmes and the achievement of the overall objectives of the EEA/Norway Grants 2009-2014 in the Czech Republic. A risk analysis at the national level was updated by the NFP in September 2015.

Three risks were identified as risks of middle importance – time risk, bilateral relations risk and management and control system risk.

The time risk was for the most part mitigated by the possible projects' prolongation till April 2017. Programme Operators strive for flexible approval of project modifications and intensive projects monitoring including on-the-spot controls.

As regards the bilateral risk, the NFP faces a challenge resting in a low number of applications submitted in two open calls running within the Bilateral Fund at National Level. Main mitigation actions taken by the NFP are bigger publicity of the Bilateral Fund, adjustment of guidelines for applicants within open calls and intensive cooperation with the Norwegian Embassy in Prague. Furthermore, the NFP organizes thematic events such as conferences, round tables supporting bilateral relations. Development of

bilateral relations will be also subject to a research carried out in the 4Q 2015 and 1Q 2016 by external firm hired by the NFP.

Management and control system risk remains at the same level. The NFP regularly checks and updates the system including adoption of more flexible approach in different stages of administration.

All other risks concerning operational issues such as pre-financing and co-financing from the state budget, communication between institutions, experience of programme operators remain of low importance.

The risk analysis at a national level forms part of **Annex 5**.

2.1.5 Horizontal concerns

The National Focal Point supports horizontal concerns within EEA/Norway Grants 2009-2014 in the Czech Republic especially within the programmes CZ03, CZ04, CZ05, CZ06, CZ12, CZ13 and CZ14.

The social inclusion for the Roma is one of the Czech NGO Programme (CZ03) priority area, total of 1 169 376 EUR was allocated for the support of NGO projects, aimed at developing skills and knowledge of Roma children and youth and a long-term goal of increasing the number of Roma children integrated in the educational mainstream. Education of the Roma children represents a key tool for solving the Roma issue in the Czech Republic and currently 32 projects are improving the situation of Roma through its activities.

Combating gender-based violence is addressed through projects under the Priority (sub) area 1b Gender Equality of the Programme CZ03. Total of seven NGO projects are focused at promoting preventive and follow-up services for women endangered by violence in the Czech Republic and raising awareness and informing the general public about prevention of violence against women and tools of its resolution.

Combating discrimination and hate speech was also addressed through several supported projects under the Czech NGO Programme CZ03, more precisely Outcome 1 “Democratic values, including human rights promotion”. Total of 40 NGOs projects were supported under the priority (sub) area 1a – Human Rights Protection and Multiculturalism, aiming at protection of human rights, combating discrimination and racism, and strengthening multicultural environment. All projects are in progress.

Most of 11 sub-projects approved and realized within the Small Grant Scheme under the programme CZ04 contribute to the horizontal concerns, mainly “Social inclusion for the Roma”. Project activities are mostly aimed at target groups without depending on ethnicity, but projects support Roma involvement in the project activities leading to the streamlining the system of care for vulnerable children. Since Roma children are part of one of the major group of vulnerable children, outcomes of the programme will benefit the Roma individually and in all types of the institutional care.

The pre-defined project under the programme CZ05 which is under way is aimed on developing tools that shall help the members of the Roma minority (education, contacts with the police, perception of Roma by media and wide public, sharing good practise on municipality level, etc.). The members of so called LGTB community are also treated a subjects related to hate violence. In 2015, a massive wave of hoax joined the Mediterranean migration wave. The project team serves to Czech mass media as a resource of hoax corrections. Next to this, the project team is very active in cultivating culture of discussion relating discrimination and hate-violence in social media.

With respect to the current situation and preferences of the donors, it was decided to support the programme area “Local and Regional Initiatives to Reduce National Inequalities and to Promote Social

Inclusion” beyond the framework of the pre-defined project under the programme CZ05. After a profound discussion of expert group members from Ministry of Education of the Czech Republic, Czech school inspection, Czech expert group for inclusive education, Open Society Fund and other non-profit organizations in February 2015 under the auspices of the Norwegian Embassy in Prague it was decided to support the programme area by organization of an international conference on the topic of effective pro-inclusive steps. The programme and the structure of the conference were created in cooperation with the experts and representatives of the pre-defined project promoter. The conference is planned for 120 participants and will be in the form of plenary session, 3 parallel workshops and study visit. The conference is planned on 11-12 November 2015 in Prague. The necessary financial resources will be partially covered by the Programme CZ05 and the Fund for Bilateral Relations at national level.

Horizontal concerns have been included among the evaluation criteria used within the application quality evaluation, also applied for the applications submitted within the 2nd Open Call in PA 17 (Promotion of Diversity in Culture and Arts within European Cultural Heritage) under the programme CZ06. Following aspects have been evaluated and considered: 1) the principles of equality for men and women are described and respected; 2) how and to which extent projects promote cultural expression of minorities or their cultural history; 3) whether a project focuses on multicultural heritage, including Roma cultural heritage.

Programme CZ06 Cultural Heritage and Contemporary Art guarantees adherence to the principles of equal opportunities of men and women and non-discrimination in general for both areas within the programme. Equal opportunities between men and women in terms of their social and professional development, and equal opportunities regardless of race, ethnicity and religion are important features developed within the Small Grant Scheme sub-projects. The sub-projects in the Programme Area 17 support significantly the community coherence and enhance the understanding of cultural diversity as they strengthen cultural dialogue and learning about ethnic minorities. These are especially big multicultural festivals, promoting tolerance and social inclusion of ethnical minorities into the Czech society.

There were not many applications dealing with Roma inclusion within all the programme calls under the programme CZ12, so just few projects out of 55 handle Roma inclusion. There were 3 supported projects within the PA Equal opportunities that include Roma as one of the target groups (as the main or one of the main project goal). Projects aim at raising awareness among a group of Roma women of gender issues, motivating them to a higher need for professional development and supporting their entry into the labour market. The projects also focuses on sensitising the Czech public (both lay and professional) to the specifics of gender relations in the Roma population and on raising awareness among primary school teachers of gender and ethnic stereotypes, their interconnectedness and the negative impact on Roma pupils, both boys and girls.

The programme CZ12 furthermore fulfils combating gender-based violence by its basic alignment that is gender equality and domestic and gender-based violence. The allocation of the programme CZ 12 was increased from the programme CZ 14 (by the approval of NMFA in April 2014) by the amount of 535,817 €, i.e. further 100,000 € for complementary action. Thus, a high-level conference on the elimination of gender-based violence was financed by Norway Grants and organized by Open Society Fund Prague in co-operation with the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) and the Council of Europe. The conference took place on 27th and 28th of May 2015 in Prague, Czech Republic.

The core focus of the only pre-defined project which is being realized under the programme CZ13 is to promote gender equality among inhabitants of the Czech Republic. The project combats discrimination and hate speech.

Pre-defined project No. 6 running under the Programme CZ14 is focused on implementation of the police specialists in the field of police work in relation to Roma minority group in the socially segregated

locations. The main goal of the PDP is to understand the special needs of the community and to lower the rate of crime through the reduction of poverty and social difficulties.

A crucial document Roma Integration Strategy for years 2015 -2020 was approved by the Government in February 2015. One of the main goals of the document is to tackle negative trends affecting Czech Roma community such as education, housing and social situation. The document would also like to start or fasten positive changes in the area and contribute to lowering of differences between Roma community and majority of the society. The strategy also intends to increase the effective security against discrimination as well as support to the Roma culture and language. Moreover, three funding programmes were launched for the activities supporting Roma community integration in 2015, aiming to support several areas of field work, Roma issue coordinators and prevention of social exclusion and community work.

2.2 Bilateral relations

In the Czech Republic the EEA/Norway Grants promote strengthening of bilateral relations and cooperation between subjects from the Czech Republic and the Donor States.

The important part of these efforts represents CZ01 programme that includes a **Fund for Bilateral Relations at national level (BFNL)**, whose allocation provides support for wider bilateral initiatives, relations and contact between entities from the Czech Republic and the donor countries supported through the open calls.

The allocation (150 000 EUR) of the 1st open call, announced on 21 January 2013, which was permanently open to applicants from the general public until 31 December 2014, was allocated from 97.5 % (26 initiatives were supported). The rest and the savings will be reallocated into the 3rd open call. The 2nd open call for regions and municipalities was launched on 20th October 2014 and the 3rd open call was launched on 9th January 2015.

For the purposes of the 3rd call, which is relevant for all entities competent in supported programme areas, 150 000 EUR was allocated. The publicity of the call was secured by an advertisement in the newspaper and an article at the web sites of the NFP.

For the purposes of 2nd and 3rd open call the Guidelines for Applicants and Final Beneficiaries from the BFNL were updated in October 2014. The Guidelines and Annexes were modified as regards the allocations, change in fixed CZK/EUR rate and number of calls, as well as procedures necessary for the applicant and the beneficiary. The next amendment (incl. new chapters as regards e.g. publicity or on-site visits) of the Guidelines is planned for the autumn 2015.

Part of the allocation of the Fund for Bilateral Relations at national level – in accordance with the updated BFNL Work Plan – serves to finance the activities of the NFP and to support cooperation in areas that overlap programmes or are outside the framework of the EEA/Norway Grants. In the period January – August 2015 the NFP undertook the following activities under the BFNL:

Mainly the preparatory works for the international anticorruption conference to be held on 20th and 21st October 2015 in Prague were carried out: preparatory meetings were held on 7th January 2015 in Prague and on 26th January 2015 in Strasbourg.

In April 2015 the tender for the organizer of the international anticorruption conference was launched according to the Act No. 137/2006 Coll., on public procurement and the respective contract with the conference organizer was signed on 5th August 2015.

Furthermore, the graphical logo of the conference was elaborated to be used during the conference and on conference materials.

The NFP also started preparatory works for the conference “We accept inclusion” to be held in November 2015 in Prague (financed by the Fund for bilateral relations at national level and CZ05 – for details see chapter 2.1.5).

Two NFP representatives participated on the 6th Cooperation Committee meeting of CZ02 held on 23rd and 24th April 2015 in Tromso where among others the use of bilateral funds at both programme and national level was discussed.

The NFP representative participated also on the meeting of NFPs, DPPs and POs of Scholarship Programmes that was held from 6th to 9th June 2015 in Tromso/Trondheim.

In July 2015 the NFP also launched a small scale tender in order to conduct the analysis of bilateral relations and to promote the results – the contract with external company is expected to be signed during September 2015, the analysis should be completed in February 2016 and the presentation of the analysis results for public will be held in March 2016. The analysis is focused on the bilateral relations on programme level (relations between programme operators and donor programme partners), project level (between project promoters and donor project partners) and bilateral initiatives level (between final beneficiaries and donor partners).

2.2.1 Shared results, improved knowledge and mutual understanding

As the “environment” is the priority in the bilateral relations at national level in the Czech Republic for 2015, the important bilateral relations conference “Mapping and Assessment of Ecosystems and their Services” was held on 27th and 28th May 2015 in Trondheim. At this conference two representatives of the NFP took part together with two representatives of the Ministry of Environment and 4 representatives of selected projects. This conference was organized by the DPP-Norwegian Environmental Agency that invited 7 beneficiary countries where ecosystem services are priorities under EEA grants. Also representatives of relevant main European institutions took part at the conference (European Commission, European Environmental Agency). The conference provided an arena for learning, sharing experiences and discussing policy guidelines, methodology and practical approaches in the area of mapping and assessment of ecosystems on national levels and in European context, also taking into account running projects under the EEA / Norway Grants 2009-2014. The conference provided wide area for establishment and strengthening of bilateral relations in the field and also provided topics and recommendations for the possible future programming period of Financial Mechanisms.

On 10th and 11th June 2015 the communication workshop for research Programmes was held in Brussels (one NFP representative and three PO representatives participated). The workshop was organized by the Research Council Norway (DPP in CZ09) in cooperation with the FMO. The workshop was focused on specifics in communication in research programmes, especially usage of web pages, communication within programmes and organization of events. The action was complemented with the publicity activity focused on visibility of bilateral cooperation in research Programmes. All Programme Operators of the bilateral research Programmes funded through the EEA and Norway Grants met with their Norwegian and Icelandic partners to share their experiences and discuss the future cooperation. Because representatives of DG Research and Innovation, of the European Parliament and other relevant institutions also participated, it was a great opportunity to debate possible synergies within the European Research Area (ERA) and Horizon 2020.

Cooperation Committees meetings within the programmes realized in cooperation with Donor programme partners (DPPs) were also held in 2015.

2.2.2 The Risks of Bilateral Relations

Please refer to the sections 2.1.3 Main Programme Risks and 2.1.4 Risks at the National Level.

3 REPORTING ON PROGRAMMES

3.1 Overview of Programme status

Within the year 2015 all 15 approved programmes continued their implementation. The last predefined project was approved and started its realization (in total 23 PDPs was supported). In total 611 projects were selected and 191 sub-projects within the small grant scheme were selected and start its implementation till August 2015. Only 2 open calls were launched in the first half of 2015 (out of which 1 call within the Programme CZ07 and 1 regular call within the Fund for Bilateral Relations at national level).

More details about numbers of selected projects are provided in **Annex 2**.

After the open calls in 2 programmes (CZ08 and CZ11) the unallocated amounts occurred and the additional calls for additional activities were launched according to Art. 6.9 of the Regulations. Within the calls 4 additional activities were supported in programme CZ08 and 15 additional activities were approved in programme CZ11. Despite the fact, the unallocated funds remained in programme CZ08 (ca 75 000 EUR) and in programme CZ11 (ca 940 000 EUR). The PO of CZ11 will launch second additional call related to the SGS projects in September 2015. The PO of CZ08 will consider further measures in the 4Q of 2015 (a possible second addressed call, or reallocation to the bilateral fund).

At the end of May 2015 the NFP received the official information about possibility to extend the project implementation in 12 programmes until 30 April 2017. The NFP informed all relevant POs about the extension of projects and start to prepare the official requests for the extension to the FMO. The NFP asked officially for extension of the first part of the projects within the programmes on 17 July 2015. The request was confirmed by the FMO on 23 July 2015. The NFP will request the extension of the rest of the projects in September 2015.

Financial overview of the programmes

Until 31 August 2015¹ the Programme Operators asked for the advance payments (or reimbursements of actually incurred expenditure) in the total amount of **66 539 271 EUR (ca 54,9 % of total allocation PRG co-fi excluded)**. The amount is based on the reported and certified amounts in IFRs and is also in line with the financial flows set in the Czech Republic. Within programmes where the pre-financing from the state budget is applied, the EEA/Norway grants (actually incurred expenditure) are released in favour of the Programme Operators within 15 working days after the IFRs are approved by the Certifying Authority (CA). However, most of the programmes receive their funds (proposed expenditure) within the time period of 15 working days after the funds reach the source account of the CA, as required by the Regulation. With regard to this time limit the payments received by the CA in mid-August 2015 were transferred to the POs at the beginning of September 2015. In order to provide precise information these payments were also included in this Update to the Strategic Report.

¹ Covering the year 2014 and the period January - August 2015

Table 2: Payments disbursed by the CA to POs

PRG	Total eligible grant (without PRG co-fi)	Disbursed to POs*			Disbursed to POs up to 31/8/2015 vs. Total eligible
		up to 31/8/2015	just in 2015 - up to 31/8/2015	2014 + 2015 (up to 31/8/2015)	
CZ01	2 866 000 €	625 177 €	138 652 €	285 783 €	21,81%
CZ02	18 420 000 €	12 350 285 €	6 840 549 €	12 350 285 €	67,05%
CZ03	11 369 191 €	8 923 420 €	990 628 €	8 923 420 €	78,49%
CZ04	2 738 809 €	1 658 178 €	1 280 536 €	1 658 178 €	60,54%
CZ05	1 242 000 €	845 961 €	342 413 €	845 961 €	68,11%
CZ06	21 490 000 €	12 071 343 €	8 456 943 €	12 071 343 €	56,17%
CZ07	3 827 000 €	510 347 €	414 279 €	510 347 €	13,34%
CZ08	5 023 623 €	3 508 876 €	2 665 156 €	3 508 876 €	69,85%
CZ09	14 516 377 €	2 369 047 €	2 321 391 €	2 369 047 €	16,32%
CZ10	1 760 000 €	465 058 €	465 058 €	465 058 €	26,42%
CZ11	19 180 000 €	8 490 117 €	7 373 695 €	8 490 117 €	44,27%
CZ12	6 735 817 €	5 786 633 €	3 404 266 €	5 786 633 €	85,91%
CZ13	840 000 €	591 797 €	248 869 €	591 797 €	70,45%
CZ14	6 274 183 €	5 287 074 €	5 287 074 €	5 287 074 €	84,27%
CZ15	4 928 000 €	3 055 958 €	2 519 539 €	3 055 958 €	62,01%
Total	121 211 000 €	66 539 271 €	42 749 048 €	66 199 877 €	54,90%

* Including interim payments resulting from the IFRs certified in July 2015 to all POs (except CZ01, CZ07 and CZ09) made on September 4, 2015

Until 30 April² 2015 the total amount **16 772 132 EUR (ca 13,5 % of the total allocation including PRG co-fi)** was disbursed by Programme Operators and certified by the CA. Within the programmes the programme management costs were disbursed (costs for administration of the calls, assessment of the applications and selection of projects, publicity); also the costs for bilateral activities were paid (Bilateral Funds at programme level and Complementary Action) and payments to Project Promoters (except for programmes CZ10, CZ13 and CZ14). The disbursement of Bilateral funds at programme level are low due to the ex-post financing of approved initiatives by Programme Operators.

² The last certification included the actual incurred expenditure only up to 30 April 2015

Table 3: Payments disbursed by the POs (certified by the CA)

PRG	PRG allocation (PRG co-fi included)		Disbursed by POs till 30 April 2015*		Disbursed by POs till 30 April 2015 vs. Total allocation
	CZK	EUR	CZK	EUR	
CZ01	–	2 866 000	16 369 295	625 177	21,81%
CZ02	488 019 451	18 420 000	44 310 098	1 613 770	8,76%
CZ03	259 954 926	11 369 191	182 894 057	6 655 375	58,54%
CZ04	72 548 196	2 738 809	8 248 682	301 057	10,99%
CZ05	32 909 870	1 242 000	1 685 654	61 456	4,95%
CZ06	569 343 637	21 490 000	31 560 774	1 152 659	5,36%
CZ07	113 308 475	4 277 000	15 660 603	570 364	13,34%
CZ08	133 126 010	5 023 623	5 771 748	212 507	4,23%
CZ09	452 551 173	17 078 091	76 736 526	2 787 121	16,32%
CZ10	46 634 603	1 760 000	341 194	12 757	0,72%
CZ11	508 142 932	19 180 000	11 159 826	413 479	2,16%
CZ12	178 497 268	6 735 817	60 995 530	2 215 811	32,90%
CZ13	22 253 656	840 000	205 279	7 844	0,93%
CZ14	166 241 759	6 274 183	1 446 954	54 187	0,86%
CZ15	130 558 933	4 928 000	2 382 921	88 568	1,80%
Total	3 174 090 889	124 222 714	459 769 141	16 772 132	13,50%

*POs' actual incurred expenditure till 30 April 2015; In case of CZ09 only till 31 December 2014

3.2 Individual Programme summaries

The status of the individual programmes is provided in more detail in **Annex 1 – Status of the programmes**.

4 MANAGEMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Management and control systems

As the implementation phase of EEA / Norway Grants 2009-2014 has started the capacity of the NFP as well as PO-Ministry of Finance has been strengthened accordingly and is stable now. The NFP – Centre for Foreign Assistance – Realization, Monitoring and Evaluation Unit (CFA2) was strengthened by more staff members in first months of 2015. The same applies for the Central Finance and Contracts Unit (CFCU) of the Ministry of Finance that is the Programme Operator for 10 programmes where its capacity was supported by additional staff as well. The new staff will ensure that all the tasks related to the implementation phase are fulfilled and that all projects could be monitored properly.

As concerns the Complaint Mechanism the respective web site section is more visible now based on the recommendations included in the Transparency International Corruption Risk Report. As the main tool of the Complaint Mechanisms the email box stiznosti-czp@mfcz.cz can be used. Received complaints and warnings are answered as soon as possible, and within 30 days at the latest. In 2015 (January – August) no complaints were sent to this email box. In February 2015, one complaint as a reaction on the

rejection of an application was officially sent to the NFP by regular post. The evaluation process was reassessed and found in line with the Regulations and methodologies.

Audits of management and control systems

Regular system audit no. FM2/2014/S/01 focused on the management and control system of the NFP and CA was performed as planned and finished in April 2015. Certifying Authority initiated systemic irregularity in the Centre for International Cooperation in Education, therefore the system audit was extended on this subject.

Table 4: Audits of management and control systems in 2015

Audit No.	Audit name	Audited entity
FM2/2014/S/01	Verifying management and control system within FM EEA/Norway 2009 - 2014	Ministry of Finance: CA – Department 55 NFP – Department 58, Dept. 5801 + 5804
FM2/2014/S/01	Suspicion of a systemic irregularity in the selection of projects at the Programme Operator CZ07	Centre for International Cooperation in Education (DZS - Dům zahraniční spolupráce)

In conclusion of the system audit of NFP and CA, the Audit Authority recommended to improve the monitoring carried out during implementation of FM2. Furthermore the Audit Authority recommended focusing more on compliance with deadlines stipulated in manuals and procedures.

The project selection at the Centre for International Cooperation in Education was reviewed. It was found that a wrong procedure in the evaluation of grant applications of third evaluator was set within the first call. It was recommended to set the correct score for projects by the Programme Operator (Centre for International Cooperation in Education), i.e to define and determine the status criteria for granting the max and min number of points for each question, so that the assessment of the projects is transparent and thereby guarantee impartiality and equal treatment to all applicants. System audit on corrective measures will be initiated in October 2015.

4.2 Compliance with EU legislation, national legislation and the MoU

Please refer to the main report.

Irregularities

In 2015 three cases of irregularities have been reported to the FMO so far (till 31st August).

The irregularity (case IR-0143) in the CZ02 programme – *Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services & Environmental Monitoring and Integrated Planning Control & Adaptation to Climate Change* was firstly reported on 27th February 2015. The irregularity is related to the insufficient evidence of performance with suspicion that the subject matter of expenditure was not performed at all. In the IFR No. 2 the amount of 18 900 CZK was reported for advertising at the launch conference of the CZ02 programme, supported by the contract only to the amount of 13 900 CZK. For the difference 5 000 CZK spent on PPC advertising a vague explanation was provided. The extra expenditure was questionable regarding necessity and proportionality. Outputs stated on a delivery list were not presented and justified either by the PO or the supplier of the activities. It was communicated with the FMO that the irregularity was due to its nature related to the management and control system within the programme which means

the amount of the irregularity 5 000 CZK (approx. 180 EUR) may therefore not be reused in the programme. The programme grant amount will be reduced with the same amount by the FMO in the final payment to the programme. Within the recovery procedures the IFR covering the reporting period Jan – Apr 2015 was lowered in the first month (January 2015) by the amount 5 000 CZK (180 EUR – 27,728 CZK/EUR – monthly exchange rate for January 2015 applied). This case was closed by FMO on 27 July 2015 (the first and last follow-up was sent to FMO on 29th May 2015).

The irregularity (case IR-0218) in the CZ04 programme – *Children and Youth at Risk* was reported on 31st August 2015. Since the reporting system (CEDR) of Programme Operator designated for reporting SGS expenditure was not fully prepared till the end of year 2014, all expenditure was at first declared in the IFR based on Programme Partner's (PP) declaration. The PO checked all declared expenditure afterwards in detail when all relevant documents were provided by the PP. Based on this internal control there was an irregularity detected in the amount of 17 500 CZK related to labour costs incurred in IFR No. 4 in November 2014. There were motivation costs declared in the amount of 67 500 CZK, but the maximum budget that PP set aside for this budget heading was only 50 000 CZK. The gap between this reported amount and the correct and eligible one constitutes an irregularity. The practice employed by the PO after detecting the irregularity was that only in exceptional and justified cases declarations of expenditure would be accepted before their initial and detailed check. As the reporting system (CEDR) is fully in operation now, there is no need to submit declarations first and monitoring reports afterwards. Incorrectly reported amount will be deducted in the IFR No. 7. The total amount of 17 500 CZK which equals to 647 EUR will be reported as non-eligible in September 2015 (using the September monthly exchange rate 27.048 CZK/EUR).

The irregularity (case IR-0217) in the CZ06 programme – *Cultural Heritage and Contemporary Arts* was reported on 31th August 2015. Since the reporting system (CEDR) was not fully prepared for monthly reporting of the Programme Partner's SGS expenditure till the end of the year 2014, all expenditure reported (and included in IFRs) by PP was declared just on a base of their declaration. The Programme Operator started to check and reimburse all reported expenditure to PP in the 2nd quarter of 2015. During these checks it was detected that the PP reported in IFR No. 2, IFR No. 3, IFR No. 4 higher amounts of incurred expenditure than they actually spent. Specifically, it was a salary of one PP's employee paid in April 2014 (the amount reported: 16 537,50 CZK, the amount expended: 15 284,22 CZK, the difference: 1 253,28 CZK), in August 2014 (the amount reported: 16 537,50 CZK, the amount expended: 15 283,22 CZK, the difference: 1 254,28 CZK) and in October 2014 (the amount reported: 16 537,50 CZK, the amount expended: 15 284,22 CZK, the difference: 1 253,28 CZK). The practice employed by the PO after detecting the irregularity was that only in exceptional and justified cases declarations of incurred expenditure would be accepted before their initial and detailed check. As the reporting system (CEDR) is fully in operation now, there is no need to submit declarations first and monitoring reports afterwards. The total amount that will be corrected in the IFR No. 7 and reported as non-eligible in September 2015 is 3 760,84 CZK (using the September monthly exchange rate 27,048 CZK/EUR = 139 EUR).

The latest Quarterly Report on Irregularities in 2015 covering the period from 1 April to 30 June 2015 was sent to the Financial Mechanism Office on 31 August 2015.

4.3 Audit, monitoring, review and evaluation

Audit Authority

The Audit Authority assumed that in 2015 two system audits and 23 audits of operation will be performed according to audit strategy that includes the audit plan till 31 December 2015. With respect to the proper audit performance the audit no. FM2/2015/O/001 was extended by another 5 partial audits, see **Annex 4**. The final version of the audit strategy was sent to the Financial Mechanism Office

on 14 May 2015. Currently 22 audits have been initiated, of which 9 were completed. There was one finding with no financial impact, two findings with low financial impact, and 6 audits were without findings in these completed audits. More detailed results will be disclosed in the annual report.

Certifying Authority

The Certifying Authority performs certifying process as a combination of administrative and on-the-spot verifications. Within each certification covering particular reporting period the CA is able to verify 100 % of reported expenditures so no other special on-the-spot verifications were necessary.

National Focal point

In line with the national legislation the NFP took part in the financial control of the programmes CZ03 and CZ12. The financial control covers the administrative check of the documents and carrying out the on-site visits. NFP plans to realise on-site visits of the programmes and sample of projects based on the actual need (this tool will be flexibly used the NFP) – see **Annex 4**.

The evaluation of all programmes at the national level is planned for 2017 due to the fact that the project implementation has been started mainly in 2015 and the evaluation is focused on the project results and programme outcomes.

4.4 Information and publicity

The NFP had the opportunity to attend many launch and press conferences during this period. The outcomes from project visits are published on the NFP website (www.eeagrants.cz and www.norwaygrants.cz) – photos, articles, press releases. These are important materials that gave an opportunity to compare the results of the implementation of the projects and have the big value for the publicity of EEA and Norway Grants.

The NFP goal is to write understandable articles, published photos from the donate places and show the potential of EEA and Norway grants. The NFP tries to have an everyday post on Facebook page (54 new people started to follow it from April 2015).

The above mentioned websites were changed so that they are more intuitive and transparent now:

- In part about Programmes, the new section called “Approved projects” was created with tables of approved applications for every Programme, showing the project titles and amount of approved grants
- The EEA/Norway grants 2004-2009 have its own section now – for visitor it is easier to understand which Programmes/Projects are currently running
- Calls have been separated from other information and divided on ongoing and finished calls

The NFP attended the FMO's Annual Communication workshop for Focal Points held in April 2015 in Prague.

More details about publicity activities are provided in **Annex 3**.

4.5 Work plan

Please refer to the main report.

5 SUMMARY LIST OF ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

One of the most significant risks threatening successful programme realization and realization of the Bilateral Fund at National Level is a low number of applications submitted in the framework of open calls for bilateral funds at national and programme levels. In order to mitigate this risk the NFP and Programme Operators strive for better promotion of bilateral funds and more flexible administration procedures needed for the grant award. Intensive cooperation of Programme Operators and the NFP with the Norwegian Embassy in Prague and Donor Programme Partners is in place. However, the lack of entities from donor states being able or willing to join in a partnership with Czech applicants/promoters is a significant problem. In order to ensure efficient development of bilateral relations and avoid the capacity risk at the donors' side the NFP suggests only one bilateral fund at the national level (covering all programme areas) for the next programming period of EEA/Norway Grants instead of actual number of 15 bilateral funds on the programme level and national level.

For other raised issues and recommendations please refer to the main report.

6 ATTACHMENTS TO THE STRATEGIC REPORT

1. Status of programmes
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ANNEX 1 – STATUS OF PROGRAMMES

Programme CZ02	Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services / Environmental Monitoring and Integrated Planning and Control / Adaptation to the Climate Change
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>The Programme is being fully realised. Since January 2015, all projects started its implementation phase, an open call for the bilateral fund – measure “B” was launched and one Cooperation Committee was organised. Within the Small Grant Scheme, all projects, except one, are in realisation phase. The PO organised several information seminars for project promoters where information about realisation and monitoring process were provided.</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>There has been no progress towards the expected programme outcomes since the projects started its realisation. Due to delay of the programme implementation the project realization started approx. two years later than originally planned.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>The Pre-defined project is being realised (several actions within planned activities with its project partners were fully implemented). The SGS is being implemented as well, the implementation process is monitored by the monthly reports submitted by the SGS Operator to the PO.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>The Programme Operator together with the Programme Partner made a risk analysis and its actualisation to eliminate possible risks and find suitable source of solution if necessary. The time risk remained as one of the most significant risks as it also influences all other risks.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>The extension of the final date of eligibility of individually identified projects until 30 April 2017. Several delays were caused at the beginning of the programme implementation by signing the Programme Agreement. Nevertheless the PO made the maximum effort of eliminating the negative impact of that situation by fastening the verification process of selected projects.</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>No need for adjustment has occurred since the beginning of 2015.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>Open call for the bilateral fund at programme level – measure “B” was launched in January 2015. The PO informed about this fund at information seminar. 18 applications for bilateral initiatives were submitted by the project promoters so far.</i>

Programme CZ03	NGO Programme
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>The second open call was launched on 1st October 2014 where 483 applications were submitted. In 1Q 2015 the evaluation was provided, the Selection Committee organized (11-19/2/2015) and 139 projects were supported. Within both Calls 231 NGO projects were supported. The projects realization started in April 2015 (projects from the 2nd Call).</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>According to the projects outcomes, the achievement of the Programme outputs is real. It is too early to objectively measure the programme's ultimate outcomes.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>There was already 100% reaching the target values of original expected PRG output indicators. Most of the indicators seem to be achieved more than plan. All projects selected under two Calls have contributed to each of the Programme outputs. It is too early to objectively measure the programme's outputs.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>The risk analysis was updated in August 2015. The main risks are connected to the complexity of the Programme, but these risks are successfully abating. The only risk worth mentioning is the lack of entities from donor states being able or willing to join in a partnership with Czech NGOs.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>The extension of the final date of eligibility of individually identified projects until 30 April 2017.</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>In the programme several proposals for modification of the Programme Agreement were sent to the FMO. One of these changes had an impact on the Memorandum on implementation. The next modification was the exception in Annex 2 in the Costs of Litigation.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>In case of CZ03 programme, the Measure "a" (microgrants) - the ongoing call was closed in 2014, total of 14 microprojects were supported. The PO has already received all Final Reports, in case of 10 microprojects the final microgrant payment was provided or refund was collected by the PO. The Measure "b" (additional grants) - Within the reporting period 4 advance additional grant payments were disbursed. As to the end of the reporting period altogether 14 projects have been supported under measure "b". All Project Promoters were informed via email and monitoring visits about the on-going opportunity to apply for the measure "b" support within their project duration.</i>

Programme CZ04	Children and Youth at Risk
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>All projects within the programme are under way, i.e. 2 projects within the Open Call realized by Pardubice and Zlín regions, one pre-defined project (PDP) realized by the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs and 11 sub-projects under the Small Grant Scheme. Steering Committee of the Programme consisting of Programme Operator and Programme Partner meets regularly (twice a year at minimum). Programme Operator and Programme Partner carry out on-the-spot controls of the projects and sub-projects. PDP was controlled on-the-spot on 28 July 2015. Other projects will be checked on the spot during 4Q 2015 and 1Q 2016.</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>Some progress towards expected programme outcomes has been identified as all the projects and sub-projects are under realization nowadays.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>No outputs have been achieved so far as the projects are under way.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>Programme Operator together with the Programme Partner updated a risk analysis of the programme at the end of August 2015. The main risk still remains the time risk firstly caused by delays in approval of the Programme and signature of Programme Agreement and secondly caused by the current political situation in case of PDP. However, the risk of non-fulfilling programme outcome “Laws, policies and measures in the field of childrens and youth rights, as enshrined in relevant international instruments effectively implemented” is the most significant risk. The political ill will in relation to the prepared new law for protection of children threatens the whole PDP implementation. Mitigation measures consisting in strengthened monitoring of PDP including on-the-spot control were adopted. Prolongation of PDP implementation is considered.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>The extension of the final date of eligibility of individually identified projects until 30 April 2017. The risk of non-implementation of pre-defined project threatens the fulfilling of one of the programme outcomes.</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>No programme modifications were made. The risk related to the realization of PDP may threaten fulfilling of the programme outcome mentioned above.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>A call for the use of Bilateral Fund at Programme Level – measure B was launched on 29 January 2015. One initiative titled “Norwegian - Czech Exchange of Experience on Foster Care and Care for Families in Need” was submitted by a promoter of one sub-project within Small Grant Scheme and was approved by the PO in August 2015.</i>

Programme CZ05	National, Regional and Local Initiatives to Reduce Inter-group Inequalities and to Promote Social Inclusion
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>The pre-defined project (PDP) is under way. Media campaign HateFree Culture continues through the internet and social networks. More than 50 hatefree zones have been created so far. Some parts of the tenders had to be relaunched due to the insufficient number of suppliers. The project has been presented at many different events such as e.g. International Day of Roma people. The Programme Operator plans an international conference on the topic of effective pro-inclusive steps on 11 and 12 November 2015. The conference is planned for 120 participants and will be in the form of plenary session, 3 parallel workshops and study visit.</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>Thanks to the ongoing media campaign there has been some progress towards the increased public awareness of issues of hate violence through campaign against racism and hate crimes.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>Young people are being informed via the nationwide media campaign. Altogether 788 video spots targeted on young people under 25 were aired nationwide so far.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>Programme Operator updated a risk analysis of the programme at the end of August 2015. The main risk still remains the time risk firstly caused by delays in approval of the Programme and signature of Programme Agreement and secondly caused by repeated tender procedures in PDP. The Programme, however, still belongs to the least risky programmes in the Czech Republic. Mitigation measures consisting in accelerated administrative procedures were identified and were adopted. The implementation of PDP is closely monitored by the PO especially through the regular monitoring reports. An on-the-spot control of the project is planned on 17 September 2015.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>The extension of the final date of eligibility of PDP until 30 April 2017.</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>The Promoter of the PDP considers project prolongation with regard to the repeated tender procedures.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>The call for Bilateral Fund at Programme Level – measure B was announced on 6 March 2015. Promoter of PDP plans to submit a request for initiative at the start of 2016. The Programme Operator also organizes an international conference on the topic of effective pro-inclusive steps. The two-day conference will be partly paid from the Bilateral Fund at Programme Level – measure B and Bilateral Fund at National Level.</i>

Programme CZ06	Cultural Heritage and Contemporary Arts
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>26 projects (PA 16), 2 PDPs and 30 sub-projects (PA 17) are being implemented since January 2015/May 2015 (in case of the SGS sub-projects of the Second Open Call). Bilateral cooperation and activities of bilateral interest with Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway are being developed.</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>Incomplete projects have made promising progress towards their targets, thus supporting the achievement of the Programme outcomes. It is too early to objectively measure the programme's ultimate outcomes.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>Many of the approved projects have made significant progress towards achieving their outcomes, supporting the achievement of the Programme outputs. It is too early to objectively measure the programme's outputs.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>Programme level risks: heavy bureaucratic procedures and lack of flexibility leading to time delays, unsatisfactory communication among parties involved, insufficient project funding. Risks relating to existing operations on project level that may threaten the achievement of the Programme objectives: poor budget management and failure to deliver activity within a set budget frame, capacity and capability risks, failure to deliver the service within agreed terms and on time.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>The extension of the final date of eligibility of individually identified projects until 30 April 2017. The unused funds within the Fund for Bilateral Relations were reallocated from the measure "A" to measure "B".</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>With a letter of 17 July 2015, the NFP made a formal request for the extension of the selected projects until 30 April 2017 – the extension confirmed by the FMO on 23 July 2015. Based on the evaluation of project monitoring reports, submitted by 31 July 2015, the other request for the selected projects extension is being prepared by the NFP in August 2015, to be handed over to the FMO in September 2015. Project monitoring is strengthened by running field project controls since July 2015, focused on results and follow-up to verify and validate progress being made towards the attainment of results, looking for "what is going well" and "what is not progressing". The Programme Operator ensures continuous documentation of the achievements and challenges and ensures the regular analysis and preparation of reports.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>1st Open Call for submission of Grant Applications for Initiatives financed from the Fund for Bilateral Relations at Programme Level – measure "B" was launched on 12 January 2015. Applications can be submitted continuously until April 30, 2016. So far, 8 initiatives have been approved. Within measure „A“, 7 initiatives, arising from the applications submitted within the Open Call, were organized in the form of bilateral working meetings, study and work to the Donor states until January 2015.</i>

Programme CZ07	Bilateral Scholarship Programme
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>There have been 3 regular calls for project proposals launched and closed: 2014a) (42 projects supported and almost implemented), 2014b) (46 supported and launched since 1Q 2015) and 2015a) (161 supported, to be launched in the 2nd half of 2015). The last additional call is in process and to be closed in October 2015, ca 135 projects estimated</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>As for the EEA grants, thanks to high interest of applicants the target value of the Outcome 1 “Enhanced competence of HE sector staff as a result of international mobility” has been achieved and shall be finally higher than expected. The progress within the outcomes “Number of students with received ECTS credits” and “Number of PhD students that were preparing and/or presented PhD thesis” is lower accordingly and there is a risk of not achieving the target value. As for the Norway grants, the projects are still running. There is only a risk at Outcome 3 “Number of PhD students that were preparing and/or presented PhD thesis” which will not be achieved (lower interest), while the bachelor and master students will probably overfill the outcome “Number of students with received ECTS credits”.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>A good progress has been made within the output “Number of promotional events where EEA/Norway” - 17 promo events organized by the in 2015 and the EEA / Norway grants were presented on 2 fairs. The projects are running and the last call is still open. However, the PO estimates that the output “Number of mobile students as part of new or existing mobility agreements” within EEA grants will be lower.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>There were four main risk factors identified, namely Programme absorption capacity related to time risk-delay, communication risk, risk connected to management and control structures. The risks have been re-evaluated at the occasion of the Call 2014b, as lower number of applications was submitted. Following mitigation measures were adopted: request for the change of the PA in favour of relocation of unutilized means to subsequent calls and/or between measures (approved), extending the target group/eligible institutions within Norway Grants (which was rejected by the Donors), and extensive publicity. The results of the Call 2015 shall be crucial.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>The allocation originally planned for 4 calls was redistributed into 3 calls and an additional call (not allocated/spent means) launched in 2015 (to be closed on October 12, 2015).</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>The structure of calls (number, allocation) and related publicity have been adjusted to recuperate the start delay and to mitigate further risk in low interest for grants. The PO/NFP request for the change of the PA (extension of targeted eligible applicants/institutions within Norway grants) was not approved in 2015.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>The third call for preparatory visits was closed in January 2015. Two preparatory visits were implemented in 2015 (Measure A). There are two evaluation seminars for beneficiaries to be held in October and November 2015 (supported from BFB).</i>

Programme CZ08	Pilot studies and surveys on CCS technology
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>The procedure of transfer of unallocated funds to the CZ09 Programme resulted in amendment of MoU and in consequent steps - the PA amendment (reduction of the CZ08 to 5.023.623 EUR) was completed in Feb 2015. For all the 4 approved projects the Implementation Contracts were issued and the projects were launched. After completion of the grant awarding process, further unallocated funds were identified. Pursuant Art. 6.9 of the Regulation, the PO organized an additional addressed call with allocation of 23,3 MCZK (880 874 EUR) for extension of running projects only. Till the deadline 11/5/2015, three projects applied for additional activities. In 2Q the evaluation was provided, the Selection Committee organized (2/6/2015) and grants awarded to all 3 applicants (approval letters sent on 30 June 2015) whereby ca 20 MCZK were successfully allocated.</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>No specific progress can be reported yet since the projects were launched in the 1Q 2015 only. Both Programme outcomes were successfully covered by supported projects thus reaching the set outcomes is expected.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>No progress towards the expected outputs can be reported yet since the projects implementation within the Programme started in 1Q 2015 only. The first achievements shall be reported in first monitoring reports to be submitted till the end of July 2015.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>The risk of the time delay at the start of the PRG was partly mitigated by the possible extension of the final date of eligibility of projects until 30 April 2017. The specific PRG risk of two different outcomes was mitigated by covering both outcomes by 4 supported projects. The lack in PRG absorption capacity was resolved effectively – about 1/3 of allocation was transferred to CZ09 to further utilization and the rest of unallocated funds (ca 0.9 MEUR) was distributed via additional call to running projects. Regarding the state aid issue the risk is still pending and is being solved.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>About 1/3 of the CZ08 re-granting was successfully reallocated into the CZ09 programme. The rest of unallocated funds (ca 0.9 MEUR) were distributed to 3 running projects via an addressed call in the 2Q 2015.</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>With respect to the overall delay, requests from Project Promoters for extension of implementation periods are expected in future, especially in relation to new additional activities in 3 projects supported from the additional addressed Call 2015.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>The funds (Measure B) were made available via a permanent call from 11 February 2015 to Promoters. One application has been supported – the Promoter realized a professional visit to Trondheim, Norway.</i>

Programme CZ09	Czech-Norwegian Research Programme
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>19 projects were supported in the Open Call 2013 and are under implementation, 11 of 18 projects have requested and received 2nd payments 2015 from PO. The Programme Committee approved a proper implementation of the projects and the programme at its meeting on 27 May 2015. The Programme allocation was increased by funds reallocated from the CZ08. Thanks to them, 4 projects from the reserve list can be supported, and an additional addressed Call (pursuant Art. 6.9 Reg.) on "Social" projects and social activities is being planned. The PO issued the project contracts on Sep 2014, April 2015 (1) and on August 2015 (3). The projects realization started immediately after the project contracts were issued, at the latest till Nov 2014/ October 2015.</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>23 of targeted 40 projects are supported at the moment.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>The single outcome of the Programme - Increased research cooperation between Norway and the Czech Republic – is composed of 3 outputs. With respect to the approved projects, number of cooperating institutions with its target value 50 will be overreached (61). Projects involve 53 Ph.D. students.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>Any potential risks are well described and evaluated (under monitoring of the NFP), and the risk management system was set as a flexible tool to control any threats and is regularly updated. The main risks are the management structure and personnel. Both risks are low and fully under control. No new risks have been identified in 2015.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>The Programme has been modified in 2014 – the implementation period was extended – eligibility till 31 Dec 2017, and the total Programme allocation was increased up to 17,078,091 € (reallocation from CZ08). With respect to the very high overflow of submitted applications (389 submitted/23 supported, the re-granting allocation has been fully spent, the additional funds shall support projects from social area and social activities in other project to approach 20% threshold trough additional Call.</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>The time delay at the PRG start is now transformed into the tense implementation schedules of particular research projects, thus proper monitoring shall be the most effective tool for risk mitigation.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>At the project level the project promoters and partners costs were reimbursed related to seeking partners (128t CZK), development of partnerships and preparation of the application - Measure I. So there were five projects in total requested the expenditures from Fund for bilateral relations. The rest of means in (finished) Measure I was transferred to Measure II.</i>

Programme CZ10	Capacity Building and Institutional Cooperation with Norwegian public institutions, local and regional authorities
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>As the Programme CZ10 consists of only 1 PDP the overall programme progress is linked with the project “Project to strengthen anti-corruption and anti-money laundering systems in the Czech Republic” progress. Since the beginning of 2015 the project as well as programme implementation has proceeded noticeably. Within the PDP’s component I many so called “soft measures” project activities were implemented successfully. Besides that the call for tenders for contractor of feasibility study testing and confirming the findings of needs assessment as precondition for approval of PDP’s component II was announced.</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>The PRG CZ10 has only one outcome: “Enhanced capacity and quality of the services provided by public institutions, local and regional authorities through enhanced institutional capacity and human resources development”. Since January 2015 human resources development has been further enhanced by implementing workshops, foreign study visits, analysis, and studies within the PDP’s component I. The enhancement of institutional capacity mostly relates to the PDP’s component II that has not been approved by the PO yet as the feasibility study is not elaborated.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>Regarding programme outputs 3 workshops, 4 studies/analysis/documentation, 2 study visits and training of 146 representatives of public institutions has been carried out since January 2015. Furthermore, publicity of project/programme outputs and outcomes is guaranteed (press releases, webpages). None of the expected programme outputs has been fully achieved yet, however, some of them are completed more than half-way through.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>As indicated in previous Strategic Report, the time risk (i.e. delay of programme/PDP implementation) remains the most significant risk. The risk has become even more relevant as procurement procedure for contractor of feasibility study is impeded non-selected bidder who appealed to the Office for the Protection of Competition. However, the risk is lessened due to the possibility of extension of the final date of eligibility of the projects until 30 April 2017.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>Due to delay in approval/signing of the PA the PDP implementation period has shortened to 20 months only (the PP expected 24 months). As mentioned above the PDP’s component 2 has not been submitted, appraised and approved yet.</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>In order to mitigate time risk the PO submitted a request for extension of the Programme CZ10 implementation period. Therefore completion date of both PDP’s component is likely to be extended.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>So far there has been no use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level.</i>

Programme CZ11	Public Health Initiatives
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>Under the Open Calls for submission of grant applications for individual projects for Activity I 12 grants were awarded, under the activity II 14 grants were awarded. All projects have started their implementation in 1Q 2015. Under the Open Call for Submission of Applications for Small Grant Scheme (SGS) for the Activity I and Activity II was awarded grant to 61 projects. The implementation of projects has started in 1 – 2 Q 2015. All PDPs are implemented and their first monitoring reports were approved. Two open calls for additional activities in line with the Art. 6.9 were launched on May 15, 2015 and closed on June 15, 2015. Altogether, 17 applications for additional activities were submitted, 15 applications with the final amount of 32 100 844 CZK (1 211 352,60 €) were recommended for granting by the Selection Committee. As far as there are still unspent financial sources in the Programme, the similar procedure is also planned for the projects under the SGS. Seventh Cooperation Committee meeting was held in Prague on May 12, 2015. The next Cooperation meeting is scheduled for December 2015.</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>No specific progress towards 2 expected outcomes can be reported yet since the projects were launched in the 1-2 Q 2015 only. Nevertheless, both Programme outcomes were successfully covered by supported projects thus reaching the set outcomes is expected.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>No progress towards the expected outputs can be reported yet since the projects implementation within the Programme started in 1Q-2Q 2015 only.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>At the end of August 2015 the risk analysis of the programme was updated by the Programme Operator (MoF) in cooperation with the Programme Partner (MoH). As far as out of 29 projects, in 15 have been approved request for additional activities, it is expected that majority of the projects will apply for the projects' prolongation.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>On March 23, 2015 the NFP approved reallocation of financial sources from SGS 2 to SGS 1 and change of indicators in SGS 2 and SGS 1. On April 7, 2015 the request for modification of Annex I and II of the PA regarding re-allocation between the SGS as well as re-allocation of unallocated funds to additional activities of already approved projects was approved by the FMO. The extension of the final date of eligibility of projects until 30 April 2017 is considered.</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>With respect to the overall delay, requests from Project Promoters for extension of implementation periods are expected in future, especially in relation to approved new additional activities in 15 projects.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>Bilateral fund at programme level- Measure "B" - the Open Call was announced on February 17, 2015. By the end of August 2015, three applications were approved. Within the Complementary Action - Public Health Initiatives Programme Operators Meeting took place in June 2015 in Warsaw.</i>

Programme CZ12	Mainstreaming of Gender Equality and Promotion of Work-Life Balance / Domestic and Gender-based Violence
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>Within two open calls and one special call for proposal were approved 55 projects. The special call for proposal was launched because of the lack of the quality projects in 1st call. The second call for proposal was launched in 4Q 2014 and the deadline was on the 14th January 2015. 142 applications were submitted. Altogether 55 projects are being realized (28 projects from the 1st call, 5 projects from special call and 22 projects from the 2nd call). The projects realization started in May 2015 (projects from 2nd Call).</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>According to the projects outcomes, the achievement of the Programme outputs is real. It is too early to objectively measure the programme's ultimate outcomes.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>All projects selected under two Calls and one special call for proposal have contributed to each of the Programme outputs. It is too early to objectively measure the programme's outputs.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>The risk analysis was updated in August 2015. The most significant risks are reaching outcomes at project/programme level. Due to the programme delay the period for project implementation is shorter while the amount of grant is high. But due to the option of the extension of the projects this risk is eliminated.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>In the programme several proposals for modification of the Programme Agreement were sent to the FMO. These changes had no major impact on the final programme proposal.</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>In the Annex II of the Programme agreement there was amendment of the payment flows. The extension of the final date of eligibility of individually identified projects until 30 April 2017.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>There is one fifth of the bilateral fund allocated (i.e. 5 projects supported). Actually, the PO is in close cooperation with NFP and FMO concerning the bilateral fund and the Regulation changes in article 3.5. and 3.6. to clarify the new possibilities and conditions of the fund. Within the press trip for the journalists and NGO representatives in Oslo (follow up of the FRA conference on gender-based and domestic violence) in the second half of September 2015, the PO is going to find out the capacity of some Norwegian organisations for bilateral fund.</i>

Programme CZ13	Domestic and Gender-based Violence / Mainstreaming of Gender Equality and Promotion of Work-Life Balance
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>Programme includes only one PDP project. In 2015, partnership between Norwegian project partner and PP is ongoing very well, planned activities are implemented and sharing of experience is frequent. On 23 February the Action Plan for the Prevention of Domestic and Gender-based Violence for 2015 – 2018 was adopted by the Czech Government. PP and Norwegian partner participated in UN CSW59 in March. In March, initial workshop on methodologies was organized for all relevant stakeholders. Progress Conference was held on 27 May. “Focus on Men and Women – 2014” was published in May. Media campaign is being prepared.</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>No deliverables regarding Programme outcomes can be reported yet as the implementation of the PDP is in progress.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>There have been two joint sessions of PP and project partner at CSW meetings (3 planned). The Action Plan for the Prevention of Domestic and Gender-based Violence for 2015 – 2018 was adopted. 5 conferences and side-events occurred. Project partner participated in 3 project conferences. Initial workshop on methodologies was held.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>No essential risks were identified nor presumed and no new risks have occurred in the reported period. The only imminent risk is delay in project progress, mainly in procurements (delay was caused in the beginning due to migration of PP from the MoLSA to the Office of the Government of the CR). For mitigation, PO and PP are going to ask for extension of PDP.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>The Programme is delayed by about 1.5 year regarding the original schedule in the FPP; at this moment, the implementation period is hardly sufficient for achieving the results and there is no buffer time. However, the extension of the final date of eligibility of pre-defined project until 30 April 2017 might lessen the time risk.</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>PP of PDP is going to ask for extension of the project. Extension will mitigate risks from delay.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>The funds for bilateral relations at PRG level will be utilized for the purpose of the only PDP, i.e. in the form of measure “B”. At the PDP level, the Norwegian project partner is involved (Alternative to Violence, NGO). Bilateral fund has not been used yet. PP is thinking about its use but at this moment, PP is fully focused on project implementation.</i>

Programme CZ14	Schengen Cooperation and Fight Against Cross-border and Organized Crime, including Illicit Trafficking and Itinerant Criminal Groups
Overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>In 2015, realization of all 6 PDPs has begun. 5 projects started its implementation in 01/2015, the PDP5 started in 04/2015 because of the need for feasibility study. PDP3 was fully realized, the second phase is planned due to the identified savings. Other projects are being implemented continuously.</i>
Progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>The PDP3 was fully realized, invoices are still to be paid, the second phase was prepared and about to be realized. 10 eGates, as well as 80 full page document scanners, bought within the project help preventing cross-border and organized crime as well as implementing of the Schengen acquis.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>10 eGates and 80 full page document scanners have been purchased (PDP3); within the PDP1, several outputs were achieved partially – participants in work visits, police specialists, management officials and minority police officers trained.</i>
Potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programme	<i>According to the latest risk analysis, set-up of the Programme implementation system (guidelines, manuals, etc.) and complications related to the procurements were identified as the main risk. There is a major complication within the PDP5 – the Project Promoter decided to cancel the public procurement in its final phase and is considering its re-announcement. A statement from the Office for the Protection of Competition relating to the cancellation will be awaited.</i>
Major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>The programme was extended to include the 6th PDP focusing on improvement of cooperation between the law enforcement authorities and general public, especially minority groups. An initial allocation of the Programme was decreased for savings (EUR 765 817) which resulted in a review of the Programme Proposal. However, the revised Programme fully reflects the objectives to be achieved. The extension of the final date of eligibility of projects until 30 April 2017 is considered.</i>
The need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>Three out of six PDPs will apply for a substantial change – prolongation of the period for the project realization. The prolongation is needed to utilize the savings which appeared within the projects.</i>
The use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>Bilateral meetings have not been organized yet. Bilateral relations are expected within the PDP no. 1 and 6, at least two other PDPs expressed their interest in the Bilateral Fund at Programme Level – measure B during the second Steering Committee in 08/2015.</i>

Programme CZ15	Capacity Building and Cooperation in Justice / Correctional Services including Non-custodial Sanctions
overall progress - Programme implementation (incl. projects implementation)	<i>The grant decisions of all PDPs were issued by the end of 2015 and project's implementation has started. Bilateral activities are realised in line with the plan both on the programme and project level.</i>
progress towards expected outcomes of programme	<i>Objectives of all 7 PDPs are in compliance with the expected outcomes of the programme. Within less than one year of their implementation, the projects have made progress towards their targets, even though it is too early to objectively measure the programme's ultimate outcomes.</i>
Programme outputs achieved	<i>PDP2 has already started to achieve one of the programme outputs. As concerns other projects, the current stage of their implementation (mainly realisation of procurements) does not allow for monitoring of progress towards achievement of programme outputs.</i>
potential risks that may threaten the achievement of the objectives set out in the Programmes	<i>The NFP in cooperation with the Programme Partner updated the risk analysis in August 2015. The risk of possible delay in timely completion of PDPs and in fulfilment of programme objectives still remains the major risk. However, possible extension of the final date of eligibility of projects until 30 April 2017 might lessen the time risk.</i>
major deviations from plan (programme proposal)	<i>Programme indicators and text of Annex I and II to PA were updated after verification of PDPs. As regards the overall delay of the Programme implementation, all PDPs aim to catch up the delay and complete projects by 30 April 2016. In order to allow for extension beyond this date in case of unexpected delays, the final date of eligibility of individual PDPs was extended until 30 April 2017.</i>
the need for adjustments of programme plans, including actions for risk mitigation	<i>The indicators in Annex I of the PA were reviewed after verification of all PDPs and the texts of Annex I and Annex II were updated. The new versions of Annex I and Annex II of the PA entered into force on 7 April 2015. With a letter of 17 July 2015, the NFP made a formal request for the extension of final date of eligibility of all PDPs until 30 April 2017 – the extension was confirmed by the FMO on 23 July 2015.</i>
the use of funds for bilateral relations at programme level	<i>Use of funds within Bilateral Fund at Programme Level – Measure A (BFA) has been finished. The funds within Bilateral Fund at Programme Level – Measure B (BFB) were made available via a permanent call from 29 January 2015. Applications can be submitted continuously until 30 April 2016. Two initiatives have been proposed within BFB so far – “Study visit to Norway – exchange of experience and good practice in electronic monitoring and probation houses” (approved) and “Multilateral seminar in Poland called "ECHR as integral part of judicial methodology - motivation of judgments” (under review).</i>

ANNEX 2 – APPLICATIONS FOR EACH PROGRAMME

Projects with donor project partners in the Czech Republic

CZ02 - Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services & Environmental Monitoring and Integrated Planning Control & Adaptation to Climate Change

Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ02-0001	Protection and Sustainable use of Wetlands in the Czech Republic	Yes	Norway	Norwegian Environment Agency	National agency
CZ02-0011	Frameworks and possibilities of forest adaptation measures and strategies connected to climate change	No	Norway	Norwegian Forest and Landscape Institute	Other
CZ02-0013	Increasing public awareness for an active protection of biodiversity in the Czech Republic	No	Norway	Norway Naturvernforbundet	Other type of NGO
CZ02-0015	Resiliency and adaptation to climate change in regional strategies	No	Norway	Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ02-0018	Silvicultural measures to improve forest biodiversity in protected areas	No	Norway	Norwegian Forest and Landscape Institute	Other
CZ02-0019	Monitoring of NATURA 2000 sites as a tool for effective management and conservation of autochthonous crayfish	No	Norway	Norwegian Institute for Nature Research	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ02-0021	BIOM: Biodiversity education centre Mohelský Mill	No	Norway	Natural History Museum, University of Oslo	National agency
CZ02-0022	The creation of environmental education programs for the study of the response to climate change	No	Norway	Norwegian Forest and Landscape Institute	Other
CZ02-0026	Improving the public perception of sustainable use of water resources and landscape planning to increase ecosystem services in a globally changing environment (LaPlaNT)	No	Norway	BIOFORSK	Other
CZ02-0030	Nature, who cares?	No	Norway	GRID-Arendal	Foundation
CZ02-0034	DA VINCI – Data Visualisation, INterpretation and Comparison Improvements for organic pollutants in long-term monitoring networks	No	Norway	Norwegian Institute for Air Research	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ02-0036	Monitoring of small forested catchments GEOMON – research tool for strategic policy decisions in the environment	No	Norway	Norwegian Institute for Water Research	Foundation
CZ02-0038	PROTECTING OUR MOST ENDANGERED BIOTOPES – WETLANDS AND STEPPES – BY THE LAND TRUSTS	No	Norway	Naturvernforbundet in Buskerud (NiB)	Public benefit organization / Tax-exempt organization
CZ02-0040	Development of urban adaptation strategies using ecosystem-based approaches to adaptation	No	Iceland	Institute for the Sustainability Studies, University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ02-0041	Complex planning, monitoring, information and educational tools for adaptation to the impacts of climate change, with the main emphasis on agriculture and forestry management in the landscape	No	Norway	BIOFORSK	Other
CZ02-0042	Development of strategy for mitigation of river fragmentation impacts in the hydrological network of the Czech republic	No	Norway	Norwegian Institute for Nature Research	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ02-0044	Czechadapt – System for Exchange of Information on Climate Change Impacts, Vulnerability and Adaptation Measures on the Territory of the Czech Republic	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Life Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ02-0061	Implementation of action plan for Long-stalked Pondweed (Potamogeton praelongus Wulfen)	No	Norway	Agder Natural History Museum and Botanical Garden	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
Projects with donor project partners 18 out of 84 (21.4%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 8,572,703		

CZ03 - Funds for Non-governmental Organisations					
Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ03-0012	The Amnesty International Living Library – With Openness Through Reading	No	Norway	Amnesty International Norway	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0029	Together for women: let's talk about it	No	Iceland	Samtok um kvænnaathvarf	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0031	Comprehensive aid to victims of domestic and sexual violence and their loved ones	No	Norway	FMSO The Norwegian Foundation Against Sexual Abuse	Foundation
CZ03-0042	Plzeň - City of (Political) Culture: Support of Participatory Democracy on Local Level	No	Norway	Ideas Bank Foundation (IBF)	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0046	PACT, PAarticipation - Communication - Transparency	No	Norway	The Ideas Bank Foundation	Foundation
CZ03-0049	Strengthening democratic decision making concerning Sumava National Park	No	Norway	Friends of the Earth (Norway)	Advocacy organization (NGO)
CZ03-0051	Improving the public image of environmental NGOs in the Czech Republic	No	Norway	Grid-Arendal	Foundation
CZ03-0072	Fair School - Equal Chances for all Children	No	Iceland	Icelandic Human Rights Centre	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0076	Children Live Outside. Increased Wellbeing and Env. Responsibility Via Play and Learning in Nature	No	Norway	Forestry Extension Institute	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0079	The land trust of Podblanicko region – development of activities and care of valuable areas through landowners and farmers	No	Norway	The Biofokus Foundation	Foundation
CZ03-0081	Awareness raising on climate change adaptation measures in the Czech towns using the Norwegian practice	No	Norway	The Institute of Transport Economics	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ03-0089	I Do Not Want To Pay For the Climate Change: From Ideas To Action	No	Norway	Friends of the Earth Norway	Advocacy organization (NGO)
CZ03-0099	Stop discrimination on labour market	No	Norway	Juridisk Rådgivning For Kvinner	Other type of NGO
			Norway	Voksne for Barn	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0112	"Invisible Minorities" - Visibility Actions of issues of LGBT youth, families and elderly	No	Norway	LLH Bergen og Hordaland	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0113	Women Welcome	No	Norway	Caritas Norway	Service provision organization (NGO)
CZ03-0124	Do we (get to) know each other? Participative community development	No	Iceland	HERE Creative Centre svf.	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0131	Compass - Communication and Participation Sure Thing	No	Norway	Ideas Bank Foundation (IBF)	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0136	Academy of free and active citizenship	No	Norway	Nord-Odal Kommune	Regional or local authority
CZ03-0138	Synergy Effect of Volunteering-building civil society by connecting NGOs, municipalities, communities	No	Iceland	Alþjóðleg ungmennaskipti (AUS)	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0143	Participatory budgeting as a tool for dialogue between town halls and citizens	No	Norway	Ideas Bank Foundation (IBF)	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0154	Home is best - even if mom or dad are single	No	Norway	Voksne for Barn	Other type of NGO
CZ03-0161	Kids On The Road	No	Norway	BYMIF	Regional or local authority

CZ03-0166	I see! About Soul and Body for Women with Intellectual Disabilities	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ03-0188	Creative partnerships – support of education of Roma pupils	No	Norway	The Great Pretenders	Professional association
CZ03-0190	Be my tutor!	No	Norway	Pedverket Kompetanse	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ03-0218	Strengthening professionalism of land trusts - a way to improve the care of natural heritage with land owners involvement	No	Norway	Naturvernforbundet in Buskerud (NiB)	Public benefit organization / Tax-exempt organization
Projects with donor project partners 26 out of 231 (11.3%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 1,277,655		

CZ04 - Children and Youth at Risk

Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ04-0001	Codification of legislation supporting families, substitute family care and system of care for vulnerable children	Yes	Norway	Norwegian Directorate for Children, Youth and Family Affairs (Bufdir)	Government ministry
CZ04-0027	Child in the Center of Interest	No	Norway	Oslo Krisesenter	Foundation
Projects with donor project partners 2 out of 14 (14.3%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 1,092,491		

CZ06 - Cultural Heritage and Contemporary Arts

Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ06-0001	Digital Restoration of Czech Film Heritage	Yes	Norway	Norwegian National Library	National agency
CZ06-0002	Industrial Heritage	Yes	Norway	Directorate for Cultural Heritage	National agency
CZ06-0005	Reconstruction of the Renaissance Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary - Horní Maršov	No	Norway	KA Association for Employers in the Church of Norway	Other
CZ06-0006	Restored SVIJANY CASTLE presents unique sites of Bronze Age, and other history and culture	No	Iceland	Institute of Archaeology, Iceland	Other type of NGO
CZ06-0007	The Revival of the Convent Complex of St. Agnes of Bohemia. Historic Treasure in the Centre of the Capital	No	Norway	Norwegian Institute for Cultural Heritage Research (NIKU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
			Norway	Stiftelsen herStay fundational	Other type of NGO
CZ06-0009	Renovation and Rehabilitation of St James's Church In Unesco World Heritage Site Kutná Hora	No	Norway	KA Association for Employers in the Church of Norway	Other
CZ06-0011	Revitalization of the Church of the Virgin Mary Assumption in Konojedy by Úštěk	No	Norway	Norwegian book publisher for architecture and art	Other
CZ06-0012	Restoration of the Selected Paintings and Furniture of the Archbishop 's Castle in Kroměříž	No	Norway	Norwegian Institute for Cultural Heritage Research (NIKU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank

CZ06-0017	BOOKS REDISCOVERED ONCE AGAIN	No	Norway	The Archive Foundation	Foundation
CZ06-0018	Restoration of the interior and mobiliary of the functionalistic synagogue in Brno and its opening to public	No	Norway	Jewish Museum Oslo	Other
CZ06-0019	Pruhonice park - Renovation of Castle Alpin Rock garden	No	Norway	UiT The Arctic university of Norway, Tromso University	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ06-0022	THE RACK RAILWAY – UNIQUE AND LIVING CULTURAL HERITAGE OF THE JIZERA MOUNTAINS AND THE GIANT MOUNTAINS	No	Norway	Norwegian Railway Museum Steam Railway	Other
CZ06-0025	Castle Kolec - Museum of Beekeeping	No	Norway	Norwegian Beekeepers	Foundation
CZ06-0026	Reconstruction and Rehabilitation of the Church of St. James in Brno	No	Norway	KA Association for Employers in the Church of Norway	Other
CZ06-0027	When in Wallachian, do as the Wallachians do	No	Norway	Maihaugen, Stiftelsen Lillehammer Museum	Other
CZ06-0028	Historical Tapestries and Textiles from the Collection of the Museum of Decorative Arts in Prague - Conservation and Presentation	No	Norway	University Museum of Bergen	Other
CZ06-0029	International Music Festival Bohemia JazzFest 2015	No	Norway	Hakon Kornstad Ensemble 'Tenor Battle'	Other
			Iceland	The Sunna Gunnlaugs Trio	Other
CZ06-0030	Monastery Broumov - Living European Centre of Culture and Education	No	Iceland	Árstidir	Other
			Norway	Engegard Quartet	Other
CZ06-0031	Future of European Design and Applied art	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ06-0032	Comparing several Puppet Theatre Dramatizations of a Norwegian Folk-tale	No	Norway	Teater Innlandet	Other
			Iceland	Bruduheimar - World of Puppets (Bernd Ogrodnik)	Other
CZ06-0033	International Roma Music Festival Romale	No	Norway	Stella Polaris	Professional association
CZ06-0034	Norway Artway	No	Norway	Stiftelsen Bergen Internasjonale Teater	Foundation
CZ06-0035	Skugga Baldur	No	Iceland	Hitt Húsid	Other
			Iceland	Jón Saemundur	Other
			Iceland	List án landamara (Art Without Borders)	Other
CZ06-0036	Norwegian forest on the Czech stage	No	Norway	Victoria Haugane Meirik	Other
CZ06-0037	World Roma Festival KHAMORO	No	Norway	NGO Yagori	Other type of NGO
CZ06-0039	TANECVALMEZ & Jo Stromgren Kompani & 420PEOPLE	No	Norway	Jo Stromgren Kompani	Other
CZ06-0040	PUNKT/MUSIC INFINITY	No	Norway	Stiftelsen Punkt	Public benefit organization / Tax-exempt organization

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CZ06-0041	Sniper's Lake	No	Norway	Baerum Kulturhus	Other
CZ06-0043	Exhibition and performance event curated by Anne-Szefer Karlssen	No	Norway	Anne Szefer Karlssen	Other
CZ06-0044	Scintilla Tour	No	Norway	LOOK PROMO Marius Solvang Hansen	Other
CZ06-0045	Castle Český Krumlov - Study Center	No	Norway	Norwegian University College of Agriculture and Rural Development	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ06-0046	TRANS(e)MISSION – Partnership program of new art/tech festivals and workshops dedicated to digital media impact on visual art and generally on culture in Czech and Norway	No	Norway	TEKS-Trondheim Electronic Arts Centre	Other type of NGO
CZ06-0047	Let 's Sing!	No	Norway	SCHOLA CANTORUM-Institutt for musikkvitenskap	Other
CZ06-0048	ARTSCAPE NORWAY - overlapping aspects of art in public space and landscape in Norway as an inspiration for the Czech Republic	No	Norway	National Tourist Route Dept. of the Norwegian Public Roads Administration	National agency
			Norway	ROM for kunst og arkitektur	Other type of NGO
CZ06-0049	Nordspiration	No	Norway	Dansearena nord	Other type of NGO
CZ06-0050	Cirk-UFF 2015 / Norwegian section	No	Norway	Cirkus Xanti	Other
CZ06-0051	Touch the Music - Music the Art of the Soul	No	Norway	Tou Scene AS	Micro-enterprise
CZ06-0052	Showcase festival ITCH MY HAHAHA	No	Norway	Jon-Eirik Boska Musikk	Other
CZ06-0053	Frontiers of the Solitude	No	Norway	Atelier Nord	Foundation
			Iceland	Skaftfell – Visual Arts Center	Other type of NGO
CZ06-0054	DOC.STREAM: New Impulses for Czech-Norwegian Documentary Environment	No	Norway	Bergen International Film Festival (BIFF)	Small or medium sized enterprise (SME)
			Norway	Western Norway Film Center	Other type of NGO
CZ06-0055	Festivals of Live Cinema – Collaboration of the Czech (PAF) and Norwegian (Screen City) Platforms for Film and Contemporary Art of the Moving Image	No	Norway	Screen City Festival	Other type of NGO
CZ06-0056	Synapse 2015	No	Norway	Stiftelsen Insomnia	Foundation
CZ06-0057	Northern Lights at Ostrava Kamera Oko 2015	No	Norway	Foreningen Norske Filmfotografer (Norwegian Society of Cinematographers)	Regional or local authority
CZ06-0058	The International Festival THEATRE	No	Iceland	Vesturport Europa Films Ltd.	Other
CZ06-0059	"The Soul of Money" exhibition	No	Iceland	Partnership Castro & Ólafsson	Other type of NGO
Projects with donor project partners 45 out of 58 (77.6%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 14,266,667		

CZ07 - EEA Scholarship Programme; Bilateral Scholarship Programme					
Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ07-0022	Education collaboration in mechanical engineering	No	Norway	Ostfold University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0024	Development and Creation of Teaching Methods in Lifelong Learning Programmes	No	Norway	Sogn o Fjordane University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0027	The transition of physically handicapped graduates to the labour market	No	Norway	Norwegian university of science and technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0029	Czech - Norwegian Mobility Partnership	No	Norway	Faculty of Business Administration (FBA), Hedmark university college (HUC)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0032	Community Innovative Entrepreneurship Study Course	No	Norway	The Norwegian University College for Agriculture and Rural Development	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0035	Evaluation of approaches to research in the field of biowaste	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0036	Sharing experience of administration of PhD program	No	Norway	NHH Norwegian School of Economics	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0039	Individual grants - teachers/academic staff/administrative staff - Antonie Doležalová	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0040	Learning the advanced skills of analysing data on student achievement	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0041	Individual grants - students - Stanislava Bartáková	No	Norway	University of Stavanger	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0042	Individual grants for students	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0043	Improvement of computer skills and functional metagenomic data analysis	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Life Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0044	Analytical and numerical studies of ionospheric plasma instabilities	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0045	Marketing strategies within mathematical programming - demand based management	No	Norway	Molde University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0047	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0048	Individual grants - students - Viktor Sochor	No	Norway	BI Norwegian Business School	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0049	Study stay in Stavanger - a "programming semester"	No	Norway	University of Stavanger	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0051	Individual grants - students - Gabriela Štěpányová	No	Norway	The University of Agder	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0052	Individual grants for students	No	Norway	Norwegian Academy of Music	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0053	Individual grants - students - Mikulas Brazda	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0054	Individual grants for students	No	Norway	The University of Agder	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank

CZ07-0055	Individual grants - students - Šestořád Tomáš	No	Norway	BI Norwegian Business School	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0056	Individual grants for students	No	Norway	BI Norwegian Business School	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0057	Individual grants - students - Dubišarová Lenka	No	Norway	Lillehammer University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0058	Individual grants for students	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0059	Individual grants - students - Klíma Antonín	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0060	Individual grants - students - Damek Marek	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0061	Research project focusing on marketing communication targeting people over the age of 55	No	Norway	Lillehammer University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0063	Individual grants - students - Pupíková Monika	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0065	SPORTS TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE PERFORMANCE OF CROSS COUNTRY SKIERS IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC AND NORWAY	No	Norway	Norwegian School of Sport Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0066	Individual student mobility grant. Planned mobility to Lillehammer University College, Norway in 2015/spring semester for studies in Economics studies	No	Norway	Lillehammer University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0067	Individual student mobility grant. Planned mobility to University of Oslo, Norway in 2015/spring semester for studies in Financial and insurance mathematics	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0068	Individual Student Mobility	No	Iceland	Breidholt College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0069	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0070	Individual Student Mobility	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0071	Individual Student Mobility	No	Norway	Gjovik University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0073	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0074	Formation of research for young researchers in the field of advanced materials for catalysis and bioapplications	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0075	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0076	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0077	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0078	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0079	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0080	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank

CZ07-0081	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0082	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0083	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0084	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	NHH Norwegian School of Economics	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0085	SPORTS TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OF PERFORMANCE CROSS COUNTRY SKIERS IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC AND NORWAY	No	Norway	Norwegian School of Sport Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0086	Health determinants and health inequalities in the Czech Republic and Norway: lessons, challenges and perspectives of cooperation	No	Norway	Bergen University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0088	Polar ecology course - geosciences	No	Norway	The University Centre in Svalbard	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0089	Deep learning and its application	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0090	Work Shadowing of Thomas H. Eriksen: Senior researcher from the University of Oslo transferring knowledge to a junior researcher from the University of Hradec Kralove	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0093	Shadowing of research, management and educational activities	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0095	New important microextraction techniques for rapid sampling and sample preparation	No	Norway	University of Oslo, School of Pharmacy, Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0096	Student placement - Damek Marek	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0097	University of Oslo - Ján Švehla	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0098	Individual study stay - Anežka Nečasová	No	Norway	Institute of Basic Medical Science, University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0099	Individual research period: public acceptability of environmental policies	No	Norway	University in Bergen, Faculty of Social Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0100	In vitro methods and approaches to study human exposure to environmental pollutants	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0101	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Oslo and Akershus University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0102	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0103	Establishing Czech-Icelandic collaboration in plant cytogenomics	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0104	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Molde University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
			Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0105	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Life Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0106	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	The University Centre in Svalbard	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank

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CZ07-0107	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Life Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0108	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0110	Art-Research Bridge	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0111	Outdoor Learning and Health Physical Education in Cross-curricular Education	No	Norway	University of Stavanger	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0112	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0113	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Nord-Troms videregaende skole	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0114	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Iceland	Fjölbrautaskóla Snafellinga	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0115	Collaboration in the execution of doctoral study programmes focusing on engineering, materials and mechatronics	No	Norway	University of Stavanger	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0116	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0117	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Iceland	University of Iceland	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0118	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Gjovik University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0119	Mobility of students and education staff leading to the integration of the interactive visual analysis with analysis and visualization of protein structures and their ensembles	No	Norway	University of Bergen	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0120	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Telemark University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0121	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Life Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0122	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0123	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0124	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0125	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0126	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0127	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0128	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0129	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0130	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0131	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Life Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank

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CZ07-0132	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0133	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Ostfold University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0134	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0135	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0136	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0137	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Bergen	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0138	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Bergen School of Architecture / Bergen Arkitekt Skole	Other type of NGO
CZ07-0139	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0140	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Bergen	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0141	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Sør-Trøndelag University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0142	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	The University of Agder	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0143	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Bergen	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0144	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Hedmark University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0145	New Public Management Reforms and Accounting Practices in Municipalities of the Czech Republic and Norway	No	Norway	Buskerud and Vestfold University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0146	Universities approaches in tackling the changing job markets for graduates	No	Iceland	University of Bifrost	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0147	TIME - Technologies in Modern Education	No	Iceland	Kópavogur Institute of Education	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0148	Mathematical Education Through Modeling Authentic Situations - METMAS	No	Norway	The University of Agder	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0149	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Bergen University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0150	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	UiT The Arctic university of Norway, Tromsø University	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0151	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Liechtenstein	University of Liechtenstein	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0152	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0153	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Bergen	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0154	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Aalesund University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0155	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Ostfold University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank

CZ07-0156	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	NHH Norwegian School of Economics	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0157	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	UiT The Arctic university of Norway, Tromsø University	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0158	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Lillehammer University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0159	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Ostfold University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0160	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Bergen	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0161	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Life Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0162	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Gjøvik University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0163	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0164	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0165	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0166	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	BI Norwegian Business School	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0167	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	NHH Norwegian School of Economics	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0168	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Aspasen skole	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0169	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Life Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0170	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0171	Marketing of Galleries and Trade of Artworks in the Czech Republic and Iceland	No	Iceland	University of Bifrost	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0172	BEGIN: Broadening experience with guidance in vocational education	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Life Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0173	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	NHH Norwegian School of Economics	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0174	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0175	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Queen Maud University College of Early Childhood Education	Other type of NGO
CZ07-0176	MIDPOINT/Norway - Script Development Programme	No	Norway	The Norwegian Film School	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0177	Promotion of cooperation and sharing of experience in early childhood education	No	Norway	Queen Maud University College of Early Childhood Education	Other type of NGO
CZ07-0178	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	UiT The Arctic university of Norway, Tromsø University	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0179	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank

CZ07-0180	Individual Student Mobility Grant	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0181	Individual PhD Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Queen Maud University College of Early Childhood Education	Other type of NGO
CZ07-0182	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ07-0183	Individual Staff Mobility Grant	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Life Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
Projects with donor project partners 142 out of 142 (100.0%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 968,899		

CZ08 - Pilot studies and surveys on CCS technology

Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ08-0001	Carbon Capture & Storage – Sharing Knowledge and Experience	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ08-0003	Preparation of a Research Pilot Project on CO2 Geological Storage in the Czech Republic (REPP-CO2)	No	Norway	IRIS - International Research Institute of Stavanger	National agency
CZ08-0004	Study of Carbon capture and storage pilot technologies for coal fired power plants in the Czech Republic	No	Norway	SINTEF ENERGI AS	Other
Projects with donor project partners 3 out of 4 (75.0%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 2,977,598		

CZ09 - The Czech – Norwegian Research Programme

Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ09-0001	Macromolecular toolbox for biomedical applications	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0002	Harvesting big text data for under-resourced languages	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0003	Biomaterials and stem cells in the treatment of stroke and spinal cord injury	No	Norway	Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0004	Phosphorylation-mediated signalling in DNA damage response and cancer	No	Norway	Oslo University Hospital	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0005	Governance, social investments and social INNOvation in CARE services in the Czech Republic and Norway	No	Norway	Oslo and Akershus University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0006	Source-Term Determination of Radionuclide Releases by Inverse Atmospheric Dispersion Modelling (STRADI)	No	Norway	Norwegian Institute for Air Research	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0008	Nuclear Architecture in the regulation of autophagy, DNA repair and gene expression	No	Norway	University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0009	3D yeast colony genomics: A model for cancer progression and development of drug resistance in biofilms	No	Norway	Oslo University Hospital	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank

CZ09-0010	Advanced Detectors for Better Awareness of Neutrons and Gamma Rays in Environment	No	Norway	Stiftelsen SINTEF	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0011	Human, Agricultural, and Climatic Impact on Ecological Rules: macroecological analysis of palaeobiological datasets	No	Norway	Lillehammer University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0012	A new methodological approach for identification of industrial pollution: Isotope fingerprinting and bacterial community changes	No	Norway	BIOFORSK	Other
CZ09-0013	Assessing water quality improvement options concerning nutrient and pharmaceutical contaminants in rural watersheds	No	Norway	BIOFORSK	Other
CZ09-0014	Phase behaviour in CCS systems	No	Norway	SINTEF ENERGI AS	Other
CZ09-0015	Tissue engineering of genetically competent corneal/conjunctival cells for subsequent grafting in human medicine	No	Norway	Oslo University Hospital	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0016	Comparative study of Huntington's disease using biochemical, immunocytochemical and molecular genetic methods on the mouse, minipig and human tissues and cells	No	Norway	Oslo University Hospital	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0017	Physical Activity as a Part in Treatment of Psychiatric Patients	No	Norway	Norwegian School of Sport Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0018	Structuring effect of submerged macrophytes on trophic relationships and distribution of fish in deep lakes	No	Norway	Norwegian Institute for Nature Research	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ09-0019	Naturalness in Human Cognitive Enhancement	No	Norway	Gjøvik University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
Projects with donor project partners 18 out of 18 (100.0%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 10,638,728		

CZ10 - Capacity-building and Institutional Cooperation between Beneficiary State and Norwegian Public Institutions, Local and Regional Authorities

Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ10-0001	Project to strengthen anti-corruption and anti-money laundering systems in the Czech Republic (component 1)	Yes	France	Council of Europe	International institutions council of Europe
Projects with donor project partners 1 out of 1 (100.0%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 696,935		

CZ11 - Public Health Initiatives

Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ11-0001	The creation of a comprehensive rehabilitation system for the mentally ill and its implementation in the Inpatient Facilities	Yes	Norway	Oslo Hospital University	National agency
CZ11-0002	National Coordinating Centre for Rare Diseases at the Motol University Hospitals	Yes	Norway	Haukeland University Hospital Bergen	National agency
			Norway	Norwegian Resource centre for rare diseases, Oslo (Frambu)	National agency
CZ11-0003	Support of the activities of the National Coordinating Centre for the Prevention of Injuries and Violence, and for Child Safety on the workplace of applicants and project partners	Yes	Norway	Norwegian Safety Forum	Other type of NGO

CZ11-0009	The psychiatric hospital in Opava - a creation of conditions for implementation of transformation of the psychiatric care in Moravian-Silesian region	No	Norway	Baerum District Psychiatric Centre Vestre Viken Hospital of Trust	Regional or local authority
CZ11-0013	START - CRS Comprehensive rehabilitation to self-sufficiency	No	Norway	Baerum District Psychiatric Centre Vestre Viken Hospital of Trust	Regional or local authority
CZ11-0028	Physical health care for mentally ill patients and independent life skills training	No	Norway	University Hospital of North Norway HF	Regional or local authority
CZ11-0029	University Hospital Ostrava - Building care center for comprehensive rehabilitation in mental health care	No	Norway	Norwegian Centre for Integreted Telemedicine, University Hospital of North Norway HF	Regional or local authority
CZ11-0039	Creation of internet-based multidisciplinary counselling and a destigmatization webpage platform	No	Norway	Buskerud and Vestfold University College	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ11-0040	Community, rehabilitation, treatment	No	Norway	Association of Vocational Rehabilitation Enterprises	Other
CZ11-0047	The creation of a complex program of social health care services to the prevention of long-term hospitalization of people with severe mental illness	No	Norway	Baerum District Psychiatric Centre Vestre Viken Hospital of Trust	Regional or local authority
CZ11-0051	Injury prevention with the Blue Hippo	No	Norway	Norwegian Safety Forum	Other type of NGO
CZ11-0055	Parallel Lives II.	No	Norway	Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ11-0059	Zippy´s Friends in Czech Republic	No	Norway	Organisasjonen Voksne for Barn	Other type of NGO
CZ11-0076	Healthy and Free	No	Norway	ROS –Rådgivning om spiseforstyrrelser	Other type of NGO
CZ11-0077	Cepik – primary prevention of childhood obesity	No	Norway	Institute of Basic Medical Science, University of Oslo	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ11-0080	From isolation to integration through complex care for clients disabled by mental disorders	No	Norway	Norwegian Council for Mental Health	Other type of NGO
			Norway	The Norwegian Association of Mental Health of Youth	Community-based Organization (NGO)
Projects with donor project partners 16 out of 91 (17.6%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 4,861,417		

CZ12 - Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Promoting Work-Life Balance & Domestic and Gender-based Violence; Let's give (wo)men a chance

Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ12-0003	Women at the sidelines(?)	No	Norway	University of Bergen, Faculty of Social Sciences	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ12-0004	Diversity 2013+ - Getting women on board	No	Norway	Institute for social research	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ12-0008	Lifelong Economic Impacts of Maternity	No	Norway	NHH Norwegian School of Economics	University, college or other teaching institution, research institute or think-tank
CZ12-0013	Gender in Innovation – Innovation in Clusters	No	Norway	Innovation Norway Oppland	National agency
CZ12-0015	Violence (non)public issue	No	Norway	Oslo Crisis Centre	Foundation

CZ12-0016	Stop Cyber-Violence against Women and Men	No	Norway	KUN Center for Gender Equality	Advocacy organization (NGO)
CZ12-0019	ForFairPlay	No	Norway	Active 24 Norway AS	Large enterprise
CZ12-0022	Escape from the Maze of Violence	No	Norway	FMSO The Norwegian Foundation Against Sexual Abuse	Foundation
CZ12-0026	Homelike: together against violence	No	Norway	KUN Center for Gender Equality	Advocacy organization (NGO)
CZ12-0030	Together we can fight violence against women in the sex-industry	No	Norway	Pro Sentret	Other type of NGO
CZ12-0031	Not with You! Or Prevention of Violence on Women in Sex Business	No	Norway	Pro Sentret	Other type of NGO
CZ12-0034	Prevention of homophobia and bullying of young LGBT people	No	Norway	Oslo Pride	Other type of NGO
			Norway	Skeive Filmer The Oslo Gay and Lesbian Film Festival	Other type of NGO
CZ12-0037	Men against Violence towards Women and Children	No	Norway	Reform - Resource Centre for Men	Grass root initiative (NGO)
CZ12-0045	I will not be a victim!	No	Norway	Self help for migrants and refugees	Other type of NGO
CZ12-0046	Equal opportunities for migrant women	No	Norway	Advokatfirma Andersen + Bache-Wiig AS	Small or medium sized enterprise (SME)
CZ12-0048	Incorruptible Women? Gender Dimensions of Corruption	No	Norway	Transparency International Norway	Public benefit organization / Tax-exempt organization
Projects with donor project partners 16 out of 55 (29.1%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 2,484,600		

CZ13 - Domestic and Gender-based Violence & Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Promoting Work-Life Balance

Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ13-0001	Domestic and Gender-based Violence & Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Promoting Work-Life Balance	Yes	Norway	Alternative to Violence	Other type of NGO
Projects with donor project partners 1 out of 1 (100.0%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 799,955		

CZ15 - Judicial Capacity-building Cooperation and Correctional Services, including Non-custodial Sanctions

Project id	Project Name	Pre-defined project	Donor state	Donor project partner	Type of organisation
CZ15-0002	A system of further education for employees of the Probation and Mediation Service of the Czech Republic	Yes	Norway	Norwegian Directorate for Correctional Services	National agency
CZ15-0003	Projects for vulnerable groups and further education of employees of the Prison Service	Yes	Norway	Directorate of Norwegian Correctional Services	National agency
Projects with donor project partners 2 out of 7 (28.6%)			Planned grant amount for projects with donor project partners € 822,427		

Czech Republic - Summary

Project grant amount total°	€ 100 033 817
Number of projects°	714
Number of projects with donor project partners°	290
Proportion of projects with donor project partners°	40,559%
Number of programmes *	14
EEA and Norway grants committed	€ 121 211 000

° To be updated - last call CZ07 in progress

* Excluding Technical assistance programmes and PA22

ANNEX 3 – PUBLICITY ACTIVITIES IN 2015 (January – August)

During January to August 2015, one Programme Launch Conference (CZ08) and several Projects Launch and Press conferences (as stated below) were held. The Ministry of Finance – the NFP and Programme Operator communicate with Programme Partners and Project partners and attend some of these conferences as an opportunity to monitor the supported projects. These events are opportunities to take photos and write articles which are published on the website and through the social media.

The open calls of every Programme (except CZ01 and CZ07) were closed and evaluated.

The NFP and PO – Ministry of Finance is supplied with the promotional materials with EEA and Norway Grants logos (notebooks, bags, paper folders and pens), which are used in seminars, conferences and workshops as part of the promotion of the EEA and Norway Grants.

For providing information about the EEA and Norway Grants 2009-2014, the Ministry of Finance – as the National Focal Point and Programme Operator of 10 Programmes – uses websites www.eeagrants.cz and www.norwaygrants.cz where information (in Czech and English) on the EEA and Norway Grants 2009-2014, including the focus on individual programmes, in accordance with the Communication and Design Manual can be found.

Table A. Attendance analysis of websites for period 1 January – 31 August 2015

Number of sessions	Number of users	User's Country	The busiest days	Avg. session duration
54 528	25 236	Czech Republic 91,96%	11 February 2015 – 471 sessions	3 min 08 s
Avg. number of pages visited per session	Returning visitors	Norway 1.53%	3 February 2015 – 439 sessions	
4,26	56,8%	Slovakia 1.36%		

The Ministry of Finance, as the NFP and PO, also uses social media for promotional purposes (Facebook), and information is added continuously, including photos and video recordings. This mainly involves information relating to prepared/completed events, etc.

Lists of approved applications under particular programmes were published after verification process followed by detailed tables about each approved project with information on Project Promoter, region, Partners, project description, allocation and duration.

The email box czp@mfcz.cz, is also an important communication tool, and is used by many potential applicants (the general public, potential applicants etc.) to address their questions.

The email box stiznosti-czp@mfcz.cz was set up as the main tool of the Complaints Mechanism. Received complaints and warnings are answered within 30 days.

Publicity activities within programmes (Programme Operator / Programme Partner)

Programme CZ01 – Technical Assistance and Fund for Bilateral Relations at national level (Ministry of Finance / NFP)

A list of approved applications under the Fund for Bilateral Relations at national level is regularly published at the website in the middle of each month.

Programme CZ02 – Environment (Ministry of Finance / Ministry of Environment)

The Launch Conferences of few projects have already been held. Lot of projects have made an entertaining and instructive websites, which are announced on NFP Facebook/website.

Programme CZ03 - Non-Governmental Organizations (Civil Society Development Foundation)

Programme and Project information were published in many online and printed media. For example the Prague Pride festival supporting LGBT rights had a lot of attention (August 2015).

Programme CZ06 – Culture (Ministry of Finance / Ministry of Culture)

Programme is divided into two parts:

- protection, revitalization and presentation of movable and immovable cultural heritage
- cultural diversity and intercultural dialogue

Both areas attract a lot of public's attention. Programme and Project information have been published in many regional and well known media: e.g. article about project "Castle Czech Krumlov - Study Center" in Mladá fronta Dnes, an interview about project "Reconstruction of the Renaissance - Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary - Horní Maršov" made by Czech television etc.

The cultural programme, supported by EEA and Norway grants, is very rich – involves performances, exhibitions, concerts, visits of cultural heritage etc. The invitations on these actions have been posted through Facebook. NFP always try to make clear the connection between the EEA grants and each of the cultural activities.

Programme CZ07 - Scholarship Programme (Dům zahraniční spolupráce - Centre for International Cooperation in Education / Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports)

The only Programme with ongoing calls (except CZ01) where 3rd call is running until 12.10.2015 and 4th call is running until 12.10.2015.

Programme CZ08 - Carbon Capture and Storage (Ministry of Finance/ Ministry of the Environment)

The Launch conference was held on 8th April 2015. Presentation and video record are published on the website.

Programme CZ11 - Public Health (Ministry of Finance / Ministry of Health)

Programme is divided into two areas:

- mental health care
- healthcare for children

and both areas attract also a lot of public's attention. Articles and photos from visited places and conferences are published on the NFP website and Facebook and it has a great response. This is mainly because it is not easy to find the financial means, which are needed for these areas. Norway grants are appreciated for useful support and people react well on published information.

PO representatives also jointed the FMO communication workshop and the health inequalities seminar held in Warsaw in June 2015.

Programme CZ12 - Let's give (wo)men a chance (Open Society Fund)

The conference "Europe Free from Gender-Based Violence: From Commitment to Action", took place on 27 – 28 May 2015 in Prague. The conference had great media coverage.

Programme CZ15 - Cooperation in Justice (Ministry of Finance / Ministry of Justice)

The NFP took the monitoring of the project places (e.g. project “Construction of a production and educational hall for retraining courses for prisoners before their release in Příbram Prison”), that will give the opportunity to show “before and after” image.

Also the Programme and Project information have been published in online and printed media.

Plans in publicity and information

Currently the National Focal Point is preparing a new brochure on the actual status of the EEA and Norway Grants in the Czech Republic. The brochure could summarise the number of approved projects, current status, bilateral relations, main activities, etc.

The NFP will update the most frequently asked questions (FAQ) and replies, which are going to be useful for both press and public.

Other activities:

8 – 10 October 2015, **2015 Meeting of Programme Operators in PA17** (within PA17, CZ06)

20 – 21 October 2015, **Anti-corruption conference “Developing trends in combating corruption, money laundering and recovering criminal assets in Europe”** (within BFNL, CZ01)

11 – 12 November 2015, **International conference “We accept Inclusion”** (within BFNL, CZ01 together with CZ05)

2 – 3 December 2015, **2015 Meeting of Programme Operators in the area Public Health Initiatives** (within CZ11)

MONITORING PLAN - NFP

Programme no.	Name of the programme	Planned date of on-site monitoring visit	Note

ANNEX 5 – RISK ASSESSMENT OF THE PROGRAMMES

PRG No.	PRG Title	total – programme
CZ04	Children and Youth at Risk	176
CZ09	Research Support Fund	165
CZ07	Scholarship	163
CZ11	Public Health Initiatives	150
CZ08	Pilot studies and surveys on CCS technology	140
CZ06	Cultural Heritage and Contemporary Arts	135
CZ02	Biodiversity & Environmental Monitoring & Climate Change	132
CZ12	Mainstreaming Gender Equality	131
CZ03	NGO Programme	126
CZ14	Schengen Cooperation and Organised Crime	124
CZ13	Domestic and Gender-based Violence	123
CZ15	Judicial Capacity-building Cooperation; Correctional services, incl. Non-custodial sanctions	113
CZ01	Technical Assistance + Bi-fond	109
CZ10	Capacity-building and Institutional Cooperation	109
CZ05	Local and Regional Initiatives - Social Inclusion	103

Total - programme	Points	Colour
Low	1-128	
Middle	129-240	
High	241-400	

PRG No.	PRG Title	Programme financial allocation	Type of Programme Operator	Programme complexity	Conditions stated in PA	Management and control structures, programme management	Programme implementation set up	Time risk - delay in commitment and disbursement of funds	Programme absorption capacity	Legislation changes	Reports and irregularities within programme	Programme audits/controls	Number of programme partners	Bilateral relations	Information system	Corruption risk	Specific programme risk	Specific programme risk - description	total - programme
CZ01	Technical Assistance + Bilateral fund	6	6	12	3	10	4	5	10	3	8	9	2	9	6	4	12	Low number of applications of BFNL	109
CZ02	Biodiversity & Environmental Monitoring & Climate Change	15	6	12	9	10	8	10	5	3	4	12	4	9	9	4	12	Seasonal works in the project	132
CZ03	NGO Programme	12	6	12	9	10	8	10	5	3	4	12	4	12	3	4	12	Project irregularities	126
CZ04	Children and Youth at Risk	9	6	15	12	15	8	15	15	15	12	9	4	12	9	4	16	Political ill will in adoption of new law for protection of children	176
CZ05	Local and Regional Initiatives - Social Inclusion	3	6	3	9	10	8	10	5	6	4	9	2	6	9	4	9	Non-functional cooperation with other departments	103
CZ06	Cultural Heritage and Contemporary Arts	15	6	15	12	10	8	10	5	3	4	9	4	6	9	4	15	Project's financial sources in PA17	135
CZ07	Scholarship	9	9	9	9	15	12	15	25	3	4	9	6	9	9	4	16	Overlapping with other funds	163
CZ08	Pilot studies and surveys on CCS technology	12	6	9	15	10	8	10	15	3	4	12	2	6	9	4	15	Reporting of expenses according to state aid	140
CZ09	Research Support Fund	15	6	12	9	15	12	10	10	6	4	12	4	9	12	4	25	Personal changes in key positions	165
CZ10	Capacity-building and Institutional Cooperation	3	6	6	12	10	8	10	5	3	4	12	2	9	9	4	6	Change of attitude towards anticorruption strategy	109

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CZ11	Public Health Initiatives	15	6	15	9	10	8	10	15	3	4	12	6	12	9	4	12	Programme focus on two different health care areas	150
CZ12	Mainstreaming Gender Equality	6	6	15	9	5	4	10	5	9	4	12	2	12	3	4	25	Failure to fulfill outcome indicators	131
CZ13	Domestic and Gender-based Violence	3	6	3	9	10	12	10	5	6	4	12	2	12	9	4	16	Insufficient cooperation with public authorities	123
CZ14	Schengen Cooperation and Organised Crime	12	6	6	9	10	8	10	5	3	4	12	2	12	9	4	12	Tender procedures	124
CZ15	Judicial Capacity-building Cooperation; Correctional services, incl Non-custodial sanctions	9	6	6	9	10	8	10	5	3	4	12	6	6	9	4	6	Safety risk in the prisons	113
Total - risk	x	21	12	12	18	20	16	20	10	6	8	24	8	18	18	8	18		x

Risk classification	Points	Colour
Low	1-8	
Middle	9-15	
High	16-25	

Total - risk	Points	Colour
Low	1-120	
Middle	121-225	
High	226-375	

Total - programme	Points	Colour
Low	1-128	Green
Middle	129-240	Yellow
High	241-400	Red

ANNEX 5 – RISK ASSESSMENT AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

Type of objective ³	Description of risk	Likelihood ⁴	Impact ⁵	Importance ⁶	Mitigation planned/done
Cohesion objective:	Time risk - delay in commitment and disbursement of funds	low	high	middle	-prolongation of individual projects till 30 April 2017 -flexible approval of project modifications -intensive project monitoring including on-the-spot visits -regular meetings with POs
Bilateral objective:	Bilateral relations	middle	middle	middle	-support of Czech and Donor partnership institutions in two running open calls within the Bilateral Fund at National Level -events organized by the NFP (conferences, round tables, etc.) -research of development of bilateral relations realized from 4Q 2015 till 1Q 2016 -close cooperation with Norwegian Embassy in Prague
Operational issues:	Pre-financing from the state budget	low	middle	low	-regular pre-financing in state budget -NFP's regular check of pre-financing of programmes realized by public institutions
	Co-financing from the state budget	low	middle	low	-regular budgeting of co-financing in state budget -NFP's regular check of co-financing in programmes CZ07 and CZ09
	Management and control system, in accordance with the Regulation	low	high	middle	-regular check and update of Management and Control System by the NFP -regular audits by the Audit Authority
	Establishing an implementation system for EEA/Norway Grants 2009-2014 at national level	low	high	low	-regular updates to all important manuals and guidelines at national level
	Communication between institutions at national level and Programme Operators	low	middle	low	-establishing a system of mutual information via e-mails, meetings, ets. -regular communication among the NFP, CA, AA and PO
	Risk of exchange rate differences	low	middle	low	-creating reserves on the part of the CA to cover exchange rate risks during the period of EEA/Norway Grants 2009-2014 implementation
	Corruption risks	low	middle	low	-establishing a transparent system and regular monitoring
	Experience of the Programme Operators	low	middle	low	-advisory services for organizations that do not have experience with EEA/Norway Grants

³ The risks should be categorised in one of 3 ways, depending on whether it poses a risk to the cohesion objective, the bilateral objective, or is more of an operational issue.

⁴ Likelihood is described as Low, Middle or High according to its scoring gained in the risk analysis. (Low: 1-2, Middle:3-4, High:5)

⁵ Impact is described as Low, Middle or High according to its scoring gained in the risk analysis. (Low: 1-2, Middle:3-4, High:5)

⁶ Importance is counted as Likelihood multiplied by Impact and described as Low, Middle or High according to its scoring gained in the risk analysis (Low: 1-8, Middle: 9-15, High: 16-25)

Risk		Significance
1	Pre-financing from the state budget	4
2	Co-financing from the state budget	6
3	Management and Control system, in accordance with the Regulation	10
4	Establishing an implementation system for EEA/Norway Grants 2009-14 at national level	4
5	Communication between institutions at national level and Programme Operators	6
6	Time risk - delay in commitment and disbursement of funds	10
7	Risk of exchange rate differences	3
8	Corruption risk	4
9	Experience of the Programme Operators	6
10	Bilateral relations	9

Classification of Risks	Points	Colour
Low	1-8	
Middle	9-15	
High	16-25	

ANNEX 6 – TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ANNUAL REPORT



UPDATE to ANNUAL REPORT 2014 cut-off date: 31 August 2015

CZ01 – Technical Assistance

EEA and Norwegian Financial Mechanisms 2009-2014

1 OVERVIEW OF MAIN ACTIVITIES

In the period January – August 2015 the following activities financed from the Technical Assistance were realized:

Personal and motivation expenditure related to employees of National Focal Point (NFP), Certifying Authority (CA) and Audit Authority (AA) were paid. It concerns 2 employees of AA (a new one since June 2015), 1 employee of CA and in total 4 employees of NFP with the following extent of the workload: 100% of the overall workload, 10% of the overall workload, 30% of the overall workload and external contract – 40 hours/month (till June 2015). Also the motivational expenditure – personal supplements and additional benefits for employees of the NFP, CA and AA were paid.

The NFP organized several meetings where mainly costs for refreshment were paid: technical meetings with the FMO were held on 7th January 2015, 7th April 2015 and 25th June 2015; on 25th March 2015 the Monitoring Committee was held in order to discuss and approve the Strategic Reports (also translation and interpretation costs were paid), on 29th April 2015 the training in DoRIS for Programme Operators was held and on 17th June 2015 the Regular meetings with the Programme Operators of CZ12 and CZ03 took place.

There were also two foreign trips of the NFP staff: the preparatory meeting for the international anticorruption conference held with the Council of Europe and the FMO in Strasbourg in January 2015 (two NFP representatives) and the communication workshop for research Programmes held in June 2015 in Brussels (one NFP representative).

On 5th March 2015 the Ministry of Finance signed the framework contract for the publicity and promotional materials of the EEA and Norway Grants in the Czech Republic. The promotional materials (notebooks, folders, pens and bags) were ordered in April/May 2015 and delivered and paid during summer 2015. The amount paid from the Technical Assistance represents 30% of the delivery dedicated to the NFP (remaining 70% was for Programmes managed by the Ministry of Finance).

The AA prepared the Audit strategy for the EEA/Norwegian FM for 2015 that was submitted to the FMO on 13th May 2015. Audits of Programmes are carried out according to this Audit Strategy. On-the-spot verifications as well as reviews and evaluations not started yet as the programmes are in the initial stages of their implementation.

No irregularities related to the Technical Assistance were discovered in 2015.

2 BUDGET OVERVIEW

The Technical Assistance budget is used continuously according to the needs of the NFP, CA and/or AA for all types of Technical Assistance activities. The same applies for the budget of the Fund for bilateral relations at national level.

ACTUAL EXPENDITURE IN 2015

		9. IFR (Jan 15 – Apr 15)		10. IFR (May 15 – Aug 15)*	
TA	NFP	389 221 CZK	14 122 EUR	493 698 CZK	18 060 EUR
	CA	361 134 CZK	13 123 EUR	666 317 CZK	24 404 EUR
	AA	192 542 CZK	6 986 EUR	369 596 CZK	13 546 EUR
TOTAL TA		942 897 CZK	34 231 EUR	1 529 611 CZK	56 010 EUR
BF		1 068 047 CZK	38 677 EUR	639 654 CZK	23 482 EUR
TOTAL		2 010 944 CZK	72 908 EUR	2 169 265 CZK	79 492 EUR

* not certified yet

TOTAL Jan 15 – Aug 14	
4 180 209 CZK	152 400 EUR

CUMULATIVE EXPENDITURE Jun 2011 – Aug 2015

		BUDGET	TOTAL DISBURSED		REMAINS
TA	NFP	840 252 EUR	5 090 292 CZK	196 557 EUR	643 695 EUR
	CA	532 199 EUR	4 022 472 CZK	150 886 EUR	381 313 EUR
	AA	604 549 EUR	3 200 462 CZK	121 781 EUR	482 768 EUR
TOTAL TA		1 977 000 EUR	12 313 226 CZK	469 224 EUR	1 507 776 EUR
BF		889 000 EUR	6 225 334 CZK	235 445 EUR	653 555 EUR
TOTAL		2 866 000 EUR	18 538 560 CZK	704 669 EUR	2 161 331 EUR

3 PROCUREMENTS

In December 2014 the NFP launched the small-scale tender (under the national thresholds for the procurement) for the Promotion and publicity of the EEA and Norway Grants 2009-2014 in the Czech Republic. The framework contract was signed on 5th March 2015 – the aim of the contract is preparation of brochures and other promotional materials for all programmes and activities under Financial Mechanisms, incl. the Technical Assistance and Fund for bilateral relations at national level.

No other procurement has been carried out under the Technical Assistance.

4 STAFFING

Please refer to the original report.

5 THE REST OF YEAR

For the rest of 2015 the National Focal Point, Certifying Authority and Audit Authority will continue in the implementation, monitoring, certification and audit of the EEA /Norway Grants 2009-2014.

From the Technical Assistance the following activities and expenditures are expected:

Personal and motivation expenditures of NFP, CA and AA will be disbursed for 2 AA's employees, 1 CA's employee and in total 3 NFP's employees. Also the motivational expenditure – personal supplements and additional benefits for employees of the NFP, CA and AA will be paid.

For the rest of 2015 mainly the Annual meeting in October 2015 connected with site visits of some projects is planned. There could be also other ad-hoc meetings (with the FMO, POs) as well as foreign trips of NFP's, CA's and/or AA's employees to participate on meetings abroad.

As part of the promotional and information activities the NFP plans to publish brochure about the actual status of the EEA / Norway Grants in the Czech Republic and to share the expenditure of the 4-pages special issue related to the Norway Grant published in nation-wide newspapers (ensured by the Norwegian Embassy).

Audits of programmes will be carried out by the AA according to the Audit strategy.