

Czech Republic – TA CR

Name of Funding agency	Technology Agency of the Czech Republic (TA CR)
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National
Name of the programme/initiative	Programme SIGMA
Programme website	https://www.tacr.cz/program/program-sigma/
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Funding Commitment	€ 1 500 000
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	5-8
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	€ 350 000 (to all Czech partners in one proposal)
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	3-9



Funding rates (approx.)

The aid intensity for each Czech applicant in the project is determined based on the type of entity according to the [Regulation](#) (see table below) and **at the same time must not exceed the maximum permissible aid intensity for the Czech part of the project, which is 80 % of the total eligible costs.**

Applicant	Industrial research	Industrial research with a bonus for effective collaboration	Experimental development	Experimental development with a bonus for effective collaboration
Small enterprise*	70 %	80 %	45 %	60 %
Medium-sized enterprise*	60 %	75 %***	35 %	50 %
Large enterprise	50 %	65 %	25 %	40 %
Research Organisations**	100 %***	100 %***	100 %***	100 %***

*A SME is defined in Annex 1 of the Regulation

**Research organisations must satisfy the definition in the Act and the Framework

***While respecting the maximum permissible aid intensity of 80 % per project



**Major eligibility criteria
(e.g. types of organisations,
thematic restriction, cost types
and caps)**

Eligible projects for TA CR

- the project meets the definition of **applied research**
- the research results correspond to the national rules and are applicable / exploitable. (The project proposal has to include a clear description of the exploitation plan and results.)
- the aim of the project has to be relevant to the overall aim of the funding programme SIGMA
- the declared share of industrial research and experimental development corresponds to the activities of the Czech partner described in the project proposal
- the requested funding meets the national regulations for aid intensity

Eligible applicants for TA CR

- Enterprises (according to Annex 1 of the Regulation)
- Enterprises who act as natural persons according to Annex 1 of the Regulation engaged in an economic activity pursuant to Act no. 455/1991 coll. on Trades (Trade Act).
- Research organisations (according to Article 2 paragraph 83 of the Regulation)

TA CR excludes the disbursement of individual aid to an enterprise:

- against which a recovery order has been issued which is unpaid
- meeting the definition of an “undertaking in difficulty”
- which has not met the obligation to publish the financial statements for the years 2022, 2023, 2024 in the respective register - the so-called “Veřejný rejstřík”
- which has not disclose its ownership structure in the so-called “Evidence skutečných majitelů”

Supported results

Projects must achieve at least one of the results that are supported in this Call. The type of result has to be clearly described in the project proposal. List of supported result types and more information can be found on [TA CR website](#).

Eligible costs

- personnel costs (including scholarships)
- subcontracting costs (max. 20% of total eligible costs throughout the whole project period)
- other direct costs (write-offs, protection of intellectual property, operating expenses, travel costs, consumables)
- indirect costs (overheads) - full cost/flat rate up to 25% (indirect costs in the respective year are calculated as 25% of the sum of the personnel costs and other direct costs in the same year)

Specific categories of eligible costs are defined under Article 18 of the [General Terms & Conditions](#).



<p>Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)</p>	<p><u>Mandatory forms to be submitted</u></p> <p>The Czech applicants are requested to submit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A Sworn statement of the applicant• Completed “TACR Application Form” Excel file (submitted by the main Czech applicant only)*• if the applicant plans to achieve “Nmet” type of result, the mandatory form for Nmet result needs to be attached*• if the applicant plans to achieve the “O – patent application” type of result, patent search must be substantiated*• Sworn statement of the composition of the consortium (only if Czech enterprise is part of the project consortium; submitted by the main Czech applicant only) <p>All mandatory documents to be found on TA CR website. Deadline for submitting all documents is the same as the deadline for submitting pre-proposals. All documents proving the eligibility of the Czech partner stated above shall be submitted via the TACR data box (TACR data box ID: aftH9xp) with subject: „Horizont Evropa - M-ERA.NET 4 Call 2026 - prokázání způsobilosti - <i>project acronym</i>“</p> <p><i>*Applicants who will not submit this mandatory form (if relevant) via databox <u>before the deadline</u> will be considered not eligible for TA CR funding.</i></p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Czech beneficiaries must follow the rules of TA CR for reporting on the project (i.e. submission of interim and final reports and reports on the implementation of the results).</p>
<p>Further guidance</p>	<p>“Guide for Czech applicants” and all mandatory forms are available on TA CR website (in Czech).</p>