

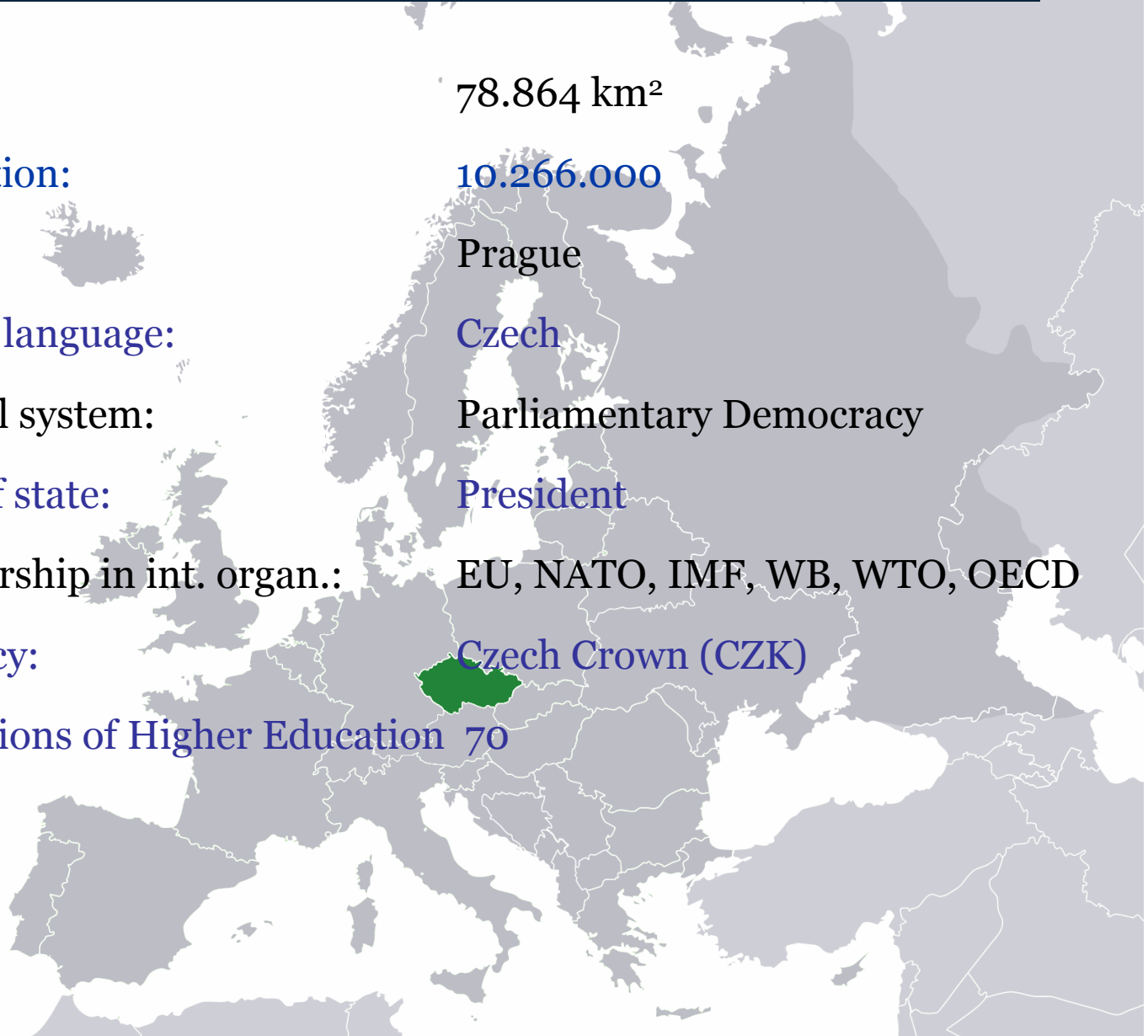
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## Czech Republic: Your Partner in Science



# Czech Republic – Basic Information

- Area: 78.864 km<sup>2</sup>
- Population: 10.266.000
- Capital: Prague
- Official language: Czech
- Political system: Parliamentary Democracy
- Head of state: President
- Membership in int. organ.: EU, NATO, IMF, WB, WTO, OECD
- Currency: Czech Crown (CZK)
- Institutions of Higher Education 70



# Czech Republic



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- ❖ 70 universities and accredited Institutions of Higher Education, Public as well as Private Institutions
- ❖ Charles University, founded in 1348, is the oldest University in Central Europe
- ❖ Tradition in Natural Sciences, Technical Sciences and Arts
- ❖ A large number of Academic Programs offered in English
- ❖ Affordable fees and living expenses



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## CZECH - INDIAN BILATERAL R&D COOPERATION PROGRAMME

Bilateral agreement framework

*Program of Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic and the Department of Science and Technology - Ministry of Science and Technology of the Republic of India, signed in Prague on 20 April 2012*



# Bilateral Cooperation

## **What projects are supported?**

Czech - Indian joint research projects developed in the field of fundamental or applied research;  
financial support is granted for the period of up to 3 years

## **Who are the eligible applicants in the Czech Republic?**

public universities

public research institutes

other research entities that can be classified as research organizations

small and medium-sized enterprises



# Bilateral Cooperation

## How is a joint research project funded?

Each of the partner states covers only the costs that it incurs with respect to implementation of a joint research project (i.e. the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic covers the costs related to the research activity of the Czech research partner and the Department of Science and Technology - Ministry of Science and Technology of the Republic of India covers the costs incurred on the side of the Indian research partner)

**It is not required that the structure of costs and the amount of provided financial support are the same in both of the partner states**



# Bilateral Cooperation

## What costs are covered by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports?

- personnel costs (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the joint research project)
  - costs of instruments and equipment to the extent and for the period used for the research project

(If such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, are considered as eligible.)

- costs of contractual research, technical knowledge and patents bought or licensed from outside sources at market prices, where the transaction has been carried out at arm's length and there is no element of collusion involved



# Bilateral Cooperation

- costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the research activity
- additional overheads incurred directly as a result of the research project
- other operating expenses, including costs of materials, supplies and similar products

## **What amounts of money are provided by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports?**

60.000 € - 80.000 € per research project (for the whole implementation period of 3 years)



# Bilateral Cooperation

## What are the priority areas of common interest?

- Information and communication technologies*
- Natural sciences including biotechnology*
- Engineering and material sciences*
- Health and medical sciences (including pharmaceutical sciences) and food safety*
- Research on climate change, environment and energy*



# Other Bilateral Frameworks

**Agreement between Indian National Science Academy (INSA) and Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, signed in 1986**  
**Exchange of scientists in the area of common interest**

- Short term study tours (2 to 6 weeks) for senior scientists - preparation of new projects, participation at conferences and seminars, visits to specialized institutions/laboratories
- Fellowships (3 - 6 months) for junior scientists at post doctoral level to conduct research in areas of mutual interest, to learn new techniques



## Other Bilateral Frameworks

**Agreement between the Council for Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) and Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic., signed 1995**

***Implementation of research projects indentified for cooperation, exchange of scientists***

- Projects are approved and announced every three years
- Active cooperation and exchange
- Wide spectrum of scientific fields according to mutual interest of research facilities (mainly mathematics, physics, IT, Earth sciences, chemical sciences, bio sciences, medical sciences, ecology)



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# Czech Republic – the Heart of Europe

