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[Note: Country briefing on the Czech Republic originally published on EURAXESS India | Quarterly Newsletter | Issue 1 – 2017](#)



# 1 Briefing | EURAXESS country: Czech Republic – Land of extraordinary possibilities

EURAXESS – Researchers in Motion is an initiative of the European Research Area (ERA) that addresses barriers to the mobility of researchers and seeks to enhance their career development. This pan-European effort is currently supported by 40 countries, of which we will profile one in our quarterly EURAXESS India e-newsletter. Here we focus on the Czech Republic.



- In the Czech Republic, we are building on the outstanding accomplishments of great Czech scientists while striving toward the next ground-breaking discoveries.
- The Czech Republic is home to some of Europe's oldest and largest universities.
- Czech R&D is not driven only by the country's history of excellent science, but also by extensive state support. Financial aid comes from national and European resources and is administered by a number of mostly national institutions (Czech Science Foundation, Technology Agency of the Czech Republic, Czech ministries; with the exception of Horizon 2020).





### 1.1 R&D Funding in the Czech Republic

- **Czech Science Foundation** (<https://gacr.cz/en>)
- **Technology Agency of the Czech Republic** (<https://www.tacr.cz/index.php/en/>)



### 1.2 Research Excellence in the Czech Republic

**New European Centres of Excellence** focus mainly on international collaboration and contribution to applied results.

**The Central European Institute of Technology (CEITEC)** is a multidisciplinary science centre focused on life sciences as well as advanced materials and technologies whose aim is to establish itself as a recognised centre for basic as well as applied research ([www.ceitec.cz](http://www.ceitec.cz)).



**Extreme Light Infrastructure (ELI)** is part of a new generation of large European research facilities with the main goal of creating laser equipment with unique parameters ([www.eli-beams.eu](http://www.eli-beams.eu)).



**CzechGlobe - Global Change Research Institute of the Czech Academy of Sciences** is a public research institution and European Centre of Excellence investigating the ongoing global climate change and its impact on the atmosphere, biosphere and human society through the use of the latest techniques and instrumentation ([www.czechglobe.cz](http://www.czechglobe.cz)).



**The IT4Innovations national supercomputing center** conducts research and provides state-of-the-art technologies and services in the fields of high performance computing and embedded systems (<http://www.it4i.cz>).



### 1.3 Where to find more

#### Government Office for Science, Research and Innovation

The main objectives of the Section are as follows: science policy unification; setting up of the rules for transparent funding of institutions engaged in science, research and innovations; identification and support of excellence in science and the expansion of international scientific cooperation. <http://www.vyzkum.cz/>

#### The Czech Academy of Sciences

The Czech Academy of Sciences (the CAS) is set up as a complex of 54 public research institutions. The Academy employs over 8,000 employees, more than a half of whom are researchers with university degrees. <http://www.avcr.cz/en/>





### Czechinvest

The main objective of The Business and Investment Development Agency CzechInvest, is to advise and support existing and new entrepreneurs and foreign investors in the Czech Republic. <http://www.czechinvest.org/en>



### EURAXESS Czech Republic

EURAXESS Czech Republic provides information and assistance to researchers who are coming to work in the Czech Republic. EURAXESS help researchers and their families to plan and organize their move to a foreign country, providing assistance in all matters related to mobility. [www.euraxess.cz](http://www.euraxess.cz)

## 1.4 Student & researcher mobility schemes open to Indians

### **Czech Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport Scholarships for Study/Research**

Stays in the Czech Republic – 10-month scholarships for university students or graduates and Ph.D. candidates (exceptionally also for university researchers/teachers) who wish to accomplish a study/research visit to a Czech public university (3 scholarships per year).

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