

PROTOCOL

of the

23th Meeting of the Joint Committee

for selecting bilateral projects

for

scientific-technological cooperation

In accordance with the Agreement on Cooperation in the field of Culture, Education, Science, Youth and Sports between the Government of the Czech Republic and the Government of the Republic of Austria, signed in Vienna on November 21st 2008;

The members of the Czech – Austrian Joint Committee for selecting bilateral projects (hereinafter referred to as the "Committee"), namely:

The Czech delegation:

Mrs Jana Kolaříková Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic
Management of International R&D Programmes Unit

Mrs Alena Dlouhá Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic
Management of International R&D Programmes Unit

Mrs Soňa Vrňatová Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic
Management of International R&D Programmes Unit

The Austrian delegation:

Mr Christian Gollubits Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research
Department for International Research Cooperation

Mr Michael Glatzl-Poss Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education & Research
Centre for International Cooperation & Mobility

Addressed the following issues:

1. Exchange of information

Both sides informed each other about the recent developments in research and development in their respective countries.

2. Review of the performance of bilateral projects for the years 2018-2019 and decision on funding in the second year (2019)

The sides reported on the performance of the 17 bilateral projects selected for the years 2018-2019 and confirmed that all of them will also be supported in the second year of implementation. The consensual bilateral projects are listed in Annex 1 of the Protocol of the 22nd Committee Meeting.

The total support provided by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic is 1,465,000 CZK in the year 2019. The total support provided by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research is EUR 47,500 in the year 2019.

3. Funding of bilateral projects for the years 2019-2020

The sides received 38 bilateral project proposals for the years 2019-2020. Bilateral project proposals were autonomously evaluated in both countries observing the specific requirements of each of the sides.

Following the evaluation results, the Committee selected 20 consensual bilateral projects recommended for support on the Czech side and approved for support for the Austrian side in the years 2019-2020. These are listed in Annex 1, which is an integral part of this Protocol.

As a rule, the funds granted by the providers to support a single bilateral project do not exceed 100,000 CZK per year on the Czech side and 3,000 € per year on the Austrian side.

The total support provided by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic is 1,454,250 CZK in the year 2019 and 1,378,250 CZK in the year 2020. The total support provided by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research is EUR 57,150 in the year 2019 and EUR 57,150 in the year 2020.

The support for the second year of bilateral project implementation may be withdrawn if a bilateral project is not carried out in compliance with its proposal or the beneficiary does not submit the progress report in conformity with specific regulations stipulated by the support providers in both countries.

4. Discussion on the form and conditions of future cooperation

The sides discussed the proposal of the form of future cooperation on research and development projects under the Inter-Excellence program, Inter-Action subprogram, presented by the Czech side.

5. Conditions of the call for bilateral project proposals for the years 2020-2021

The Committee agreed that the sides will announce the call for bilateral project proposals for the years 2020-2021 on 1 March, 2019. Bilateral project proposals may be submitted by 30 April, 2019 at the latest. The conditions of the call for bilateral project proposals will be agreed via exchange of letters between the members of the Committee.

6. Setting the date and place of the 24th Committee Meeting

The 24th Meeting of the Czech-Austrian Joint Committee for selecting bilateral projects will be held in the last quarter of 2019 in Vienna, Austria.

Signed in Prague, on 25th October 2018 in duplicate.



For the Czech Side

Jana Kolaříková



For the Austrian Side

Christian Gollubits