

TSCHECHISCHE REPUBLIK

Minister of Education, Youth and Sports

Ministry for Education, Youth and Sports

Robert PLAGA

Born on 21 July 1978 in Ivančice. He's married and he has two daughters.

After completing his studies at Gymnázium Jana Blahoslava, he graduated from the Faculty of Business Administration and Economics of Mendel University in Brno, master's programme in Economic Policy and Administration, majoring in Finance, before obtaining his PhD degree also in Economic Policy and Administration. At the same university, he founded and headed the Centre for Technology Transfer and Cooperation with Industry. In 2015, he joined the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports as Deputy Minister heading the Higher Education, Science and Research section. From 2017 to 2021 he was Minister of Education, Youth and Sports. From 2022 to 2025, he chaired the board of the National Accreditation Office for Higher Education. He also has experience in local government, having served as a member of the Brno City Council.

Education

- 2002-2010: Mendel University in Brno, Faculty of Business Administration, Economic Policy and Administration (PhD studies)
- 1997-2002: Mendel University in Brno, Faculty of Business and Economics, Economic Policy and Administration - Finance (Master's studies)

Professional and public activities

- 2022-2025: National Accreditation Office for Higher Education, Chairman of the Board of the National Accreditation Office for Higher Education
- 2017-2021: Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic, Minister
- 2015-2017: Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic, Deputy heading the Management of Higher Education, Science and Research section
- 2013-2015: Mendel University, Centre for Technology Transfer, CTT MENDELU, Director
- 2002-2013: Mendel University in Brno, Faculty of Business and Economics and Faculty of Regional Development and International Studies, assistant professor (Public Finance, Public Administration, Fundamentals of World and European Integration, Innovation and Technology Transfer)