

**COUNTRY: Czech Republic
Czech Academy of Sciences (CAS)**

CAS participates in the following topics of the 9th JFS Call for Research Proposals:

General area: **Climate Change Adaptation & Local Resilience**

Topics:

- Waste water treatment and reuse (industrial & municipal)
- Underwater and above-water biomass farms working with renewable energy
- Assessment and remediation of contaminated inorganic and organic soils

The CAS National Regulation is an integral part of the Call strategy Document JFS Call 2024 (9th Call).

Eligibility

Only researchers from the CAS institutes are eligible to apply. SMEs, universities and other research organizations may co-participate on the condition that they secure their own funding.

Funding modalities and eligible cost categories

The CAS shall exclusively meet costs of the CAS research team members.

A maximum amount of **120,000.00 Euro** is allocated per **three-year project**. In case two or more project partners in a proposal are from the CAS institutes, they may together request max. 120,000.00 Euro per project. Up to 240,000.00 Euro is allocated for projects within the 9th Call.

Eligible costs:

Travel and living expenses. All mobility costs shall only be related to networking events and secondments within the project (*economy class flight/train, accommodation, visas, vaccinations, local transport, daily allowances in accordance with the Czech national legislation etc.*).

Research expenses

Costs for the organisation of small scientific and networking events related to the project in the Czech Republic are eligible. The upper limit of 20% of the project budget should not be exceeded.

Costs for consumables and small equipment, only on a limited scale and if its need is demonstrated, are eligible.

Personnel costs for early-career researchers (PhD students and postdocs – max. 8 years after Ph.D.*) participating in the project are eligible. The upper limit of 20% of the project budget shall not be exceeded.

There are no eligible indirect costs.

*The research experience does not include maternity and parental leave, work disability lasting more than 90 days, compulsory military service, the period during which care is provided to a person who is considered to be dependent on the assistance of another natural person under the Social Services Act.

A successful project proposal shall be funded based on the respective grant that shall be provided to the CAS institute in accordance with the Guideline of the Academy Council of the CAS on Grants Provided by the Czech Academy of Sciences.

Submission

Each proponent from the CAS institutes is required to **complete and submit two documents** to apply for the project funding as follows:

- 1) **the project proposal via the JFS SEA EUROPE online tool [PT-Outline \(ptoutline.eu\)](https://ptoutline.eu)** and
- 2) **the CAS short form** available on the CAS website (CAS internal portal or OERA website) that is required **to be sent to the National Focal Point** via e-mail address (smilnicka@kav.cas.cz).

Following information is required **in the CAS form**:

1. Identification of the project: project title, name of the principal project coordinator and list of all project partners and their affiliations;
2. Abstract of the project (1 100 characters incl. spaces);
3. Summary of research plans of the Czech project partner(s), their implementation and justification of proposed collaboration (1/2 page), planned budget for each year;
4. Description of the Czech project team incl. an involvement of young researchers is mandatory (1/2 page);
5. CV of the Czech Principal Investigator.

Project proposals submitted in any other way, may be rejected on formal grounds.

Each proponent is advised to carefully read the respective National Regulations and contact the National Focal Point for an informal eligibility pre-check before submission.

Before submission, it is advisable that each partner also reads the National Regulations of the other partners in the consortium, to understand and fit-in to the criteria specified in the partners' National Regulations.

For more information, please contact the National Focal Point (CAS):

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