

Czech Science Foundation (GA ČR) Calls announced in 2023

27/02/2023

CSF Calls announced in 2023

Project start in 2024

- <u>JUNIOR STAR</u> (5 years)
- POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP (3 years)
 - Incoming
 - Outgoing
- Standard projects (2-3 years)
- International projects (Taiwan 3 years, South Korea 2 years, Brazil (Sao Paulo) 3 years)
- LA grants (2-3 years; bilateral/trilateral projects Austria, Germany, Poland, Luxembourg, Slovenia, Switzerland, USA* and Croatia to be announced)
 - LA grants, CSF in the role of "Lead" agency
 - LA grants, CSF in the role of partner organization



Specific condition for Calls announced in 2023

Max. number of project proposals that one person can apply for in all Calls announced in 2023

A single person can apply (within all Calls with the beginning of projects in 2024) for:

- one POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP project proposal, <u>OR</u> one JUNIOR STAR project proposal, <u>AND</u>
- one project proposal as applicant and for one project proposal as co-applicant in all other Calls (Standard Call, International Call, LA grants Calls)

In case of success in all Calls, the applicant may participate only in:

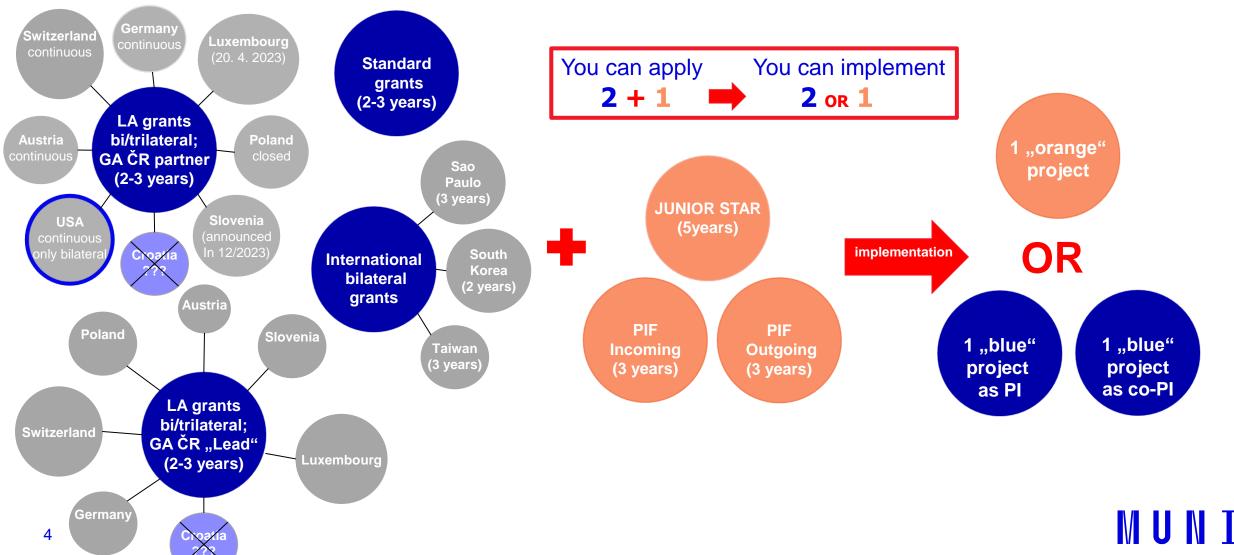
- POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP, OR
- JUNIOR STAR, OR
- max. 2 projects that were submitted in Standard Call, International Call, LA grants Calls (one as applicant, one as co-applicant)
- In case of not following the rules above, all projects of the applicant/co-applicant can be excluded from the evaluation!!! *
- The Investigator of the PIF must not be the Investigator, co-investigator or any other participant involved in any role in any other project funded by CSF. Throughout his/her involvement in the PIF, the Investigator must not participate as applicant or co-applicant in any other tender or Call made by CSF, except for proposals submitted in the final year of the Project.

^{*} If the applicant withdraws from the Call or withdraws from the LA grant evaluation before submitting another project proposal that would cause concurrence of projects, the project proposal will be treated as if it had never been submitted - so it will not count towards the limit. LA project proposals that have been disqualified from evaluation for formal reasons by CSF and disqualified from evaluation by foreign agency will not count towards the limit of project proposals submitted in a given year.



CSF Calls announced in 2023

Limits – One person can apply for max. 2 "blue" project proposals (one as PI, one as co-PI) + only 1 "orange" project proposal BUT one person can implement only 1 "orange" project OR max. 2 "blue" projects.



CHECK THE FACULTY DEADLINES!

CSF Calls announced in 2023

Important dates and deadlines

- Deadline: 04/04/2023
 - LA projects with CSF in the role of partner organization according the rules of foreign agencies
- Results:
 - 03/11/2023 (JUNIOR STAR)
 - 30/11/2023 (Standard projects, International projects, PIF)
- Starting date: 01/01/2024
 - PIF (at the latest 01/10/2024)
 - LA projects (according to the agreement with foreign agencies)
- MU Research Ethics Committee deadline: 06/03/2023 (6pm)
 - Applications will not be accepted after the deadline!



CSF Calls announced in 2023 – CSF in the role of "Lead" agency, International projects

Project start in 2024

LA grants with CSF in the role of "Lead" agency						
Partner organization	rtner organization		Estimated starting date (CSF "Lead")			
Austria	13/02/2023	04/04/2023	probably 01/07/2024			
Germany	13/02/2023	04/04/2023	probably more terms 01/04/2024 and 01/07/2024			
Poland	13/02/2023	04/04/2023	01/1/2024			
Slovenia	13/02/2023	04/04/2023	probably 01/04/2024			
Switzerland	13/02/2023	04/04/2023	probably 01/04/2024			
Luxembourg	13/02/2023	04/04/2023	probably 01/1/2024			
Croatia	TBA	TBA	TBA			
USA	("Lead" only NSF)	-	-			
International projects						
South Korea	03/04/2023	30/06/2023	01/1/2024			
Taiwan	13/02/2023	06/04/2023	01/1/2024			
Brasil (Sao Paulo)	To be added	To be added	01/1/2024			



CSF Calls announced in 2022/2023 – foreign agency in the role of "Lead" agency

Project start in 2023/2024

LA grants, foreign agency in the role of "Lead" agency*						
Partner organization	Call announcement	Foreign agency submission deadline	Estimated starting date			
Austria	continuous	not set	more terms in 2023 and 2024			
Germany	continuous	not set	more terms in 2023 and 2024			
Poland* - closed	09/2023	12/2023	01/01/2024			
Slovenia	12/2023 – 01/2024	?	probably the end of the year 2024			
Switzerland	continuous	03/04/2023 and 02/10/2023	01/01/2024 and 01/07/2024			
Luxembourg	19/02/2022	20/04/2023	01/01/2024			
USA	continuous	not set	more terms in 2023 and 2024			
Croatia	ТВА	TBA	TBA			

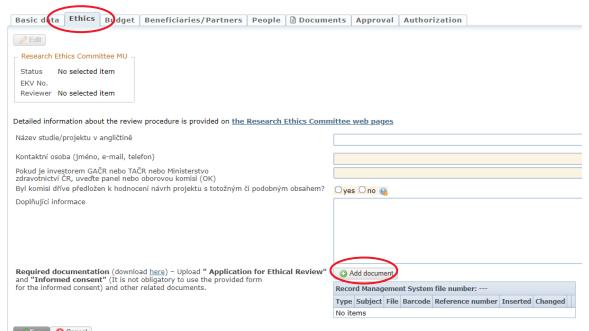


MU Research Ethics Committee

Documents for applying for ethics at MU

If the proposal needs the assessment of ethics, the pre-approval of Ethics must be attached to your proposal:

- 1. Fill basic info about your project proposal to MU project management information system ISEP
- Insert filled Application for Ethics Review and Informed Consent to "Ethics" tab in ISEP (templates for Calls 2024 here).
- 3. In case of cooperation with the health institution that is not co-applicant of the project proposal, the **Letter of Commitment** is needed and must be sent to the MU Research Ethics Committee no later than **Tuesday 27/03/2023.**





Allocation of CSF Calls in ths. CZK*

Budget allocation from 2024 to 2026 (Standard, International and PIF Calls), 2024-2028 (JS Call) in ths. CZK

Standard projects	International projects	JUNIOR STAR	PIF Incoming	PIF Outgoing
2 550 000	60 000	500 000	150 000	150 000

Budget allocation/allocated budget in previous years in ths. CZK

Year/ Call	Standard (allocation)	Standard (allocated budget)	International (allocation)	International (allocated budget)	JS (allocation)	JS (allocated budget)	PIF Incoming	PIF Incoming (allocated budget)	PIF Outgoing	PIF Outgoing (allocated budget)
2022	2 550 000	3 461 332	150 000	35 218	500 000	410 660	150 000	30 970	150 000	82 744
2021 2021	9 010 080 2 550 000	0 3 115 725	522 177 150 000	0 67 877	1 740 000 500 000	0 342 789	300 000 150 000	0 37 907	300 000 150 000	0 85 073
2020 2020	3 200 000 2 250 000	0 1 993 227	177 000 60 000	0 204 616	2 250 000 575 000	0 601 246	0		0	



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Standard projects

International projects

LA grants

Standard, International bilateral projects and LA grants

Budget limits

Call	Standard	International projects	LA grants
Personell cost: Applicant / co-applicant (workload)	Recommended workload: 0.2 FTE applicant 0.1 FTE co-applicant (max. gross wage CZK 60 ths. /month/1FTE)	Recommended workload: 0.2 FTE applicant 0.1 FTE co-applicant (max. gross wage CZK 60 ths. /month/1FTE)	Recommended workload: 0.2 FTE applicant 0.1 FTE co-applicant (max. gross wage CZK 60 ths. /month/1FTE)
Agreements on work (DPP, DPČ)	up to CZK 400/h	up to CZK 400/h	up to CZK 400/h
Investment cost:	Limit up to CZK 80ths and up to 10% from Personnel Costs and Material Costs (excluding Overheads)	Limit up to CZK 80ths and up to 10% from Personnel Costs and Material Costs (excluding Overheads)	Limit up to CZK 80ths and up to 10% from Personnel Costs and Material Costs (excluding Overheads)
Overheads:	up to 20% (counted from Personnel Costs and Material Costs; excluding Overheads)	up to 20% (counted from Personnel Costs and Material Costs; excluding Overheads)	up to 20% (counted from Personnel Costs and Material Costs; excluding Overheads)

- Time spent at the beneficiary's workplace must correspond to an investigator's workload.
- The foreign applicant of international projects and LA grants may not have an employment relationship in the Czech Republic for the duration of the project!



Standard projects, International projects, LA grants

Summary of annexes that may be enclosed

Annexes/Calls	Standard projects	International projects	LA grants (CSF in the role of "Lead" agency)	LA grants (CSF in the role of PO)
C1 (scientific part),	max. 10 pages	max. 10 pages	max. 15 pages	max. 15 pages of copy
in PDF, 11 points font, single spacing	(max. 6 MB)	(max. 6 MB)	(max. 6 MB)	of the foreign proposal
Copy of foreign proposal	-	YES	-	full foreign proposal must be added
CV of the Applicant (co-applicant), in PDF, 11 points font, single spacing	max. 2 pages (max. 1MB)	max. 2 pages (max. 1MB)	max. 2 pages (max. 1MB)	max. 2 pages (max. 1MB)
CV of the Foreign Applicant	-	YES, no limits	YES, no limits	-
Copies of the special permission	only if necessary	only if necessary	only if necessary	only if necessary
List of the institutions outside the Czech Republic to which it would be inappropriate to send the project proposal for evaluation, including an explanation	optional	optional	optional	-
Identification of the proposed supplier/ supplier's (preliminary price if the project proposal requires investments exceeds CZK 250,000 and/or the supply/supplies and the total value of purchases from the single supplier exceeds CZK 750,000 throughout the duration of the project	only if necessary	only if necessary	only if necessary	only if necessary
Letter of Intent	optional	optional (not the workplace of the foreign applicant)	optional (not the workplace of the foreign applicant)	-

Part C1 – scientific proposal

Part C1 must include (11-point font, single spacing)

- a summary of the current state of knowledge in the given scientific field, and a description of the applicant's contribution and/or related issues
- a statement of the substance and timeliness of the project, its aims, methods including conceptual and methodical procedures, a detailed schedule, and project phases. The project stages and the accomplishment of each aim must be associated with the expected results; wherever relevant, the possible impact on women and men should be taken into account (information shall also be included as to whether the results of the research will be as beneficial, functional and safe as possible for both men and women);
- identification of the risks to the achievement of the project results, including the intensity of such risks, their probability, and ways to minimize the risks;
- collaboration between the applicant and the scientific institutions abroad, and international collaboration planned within the project (description and justification of the need and benefits of cooperation);
- information on the readiness of the applicant (co-applicants and their institutions; enforcing the principles of responsible research and innovation, including strategic tools for developing human potential and improving working conditions;
- a reference to the applicant's existing gender equality plan (link to <u>CZ version</u>, link to <u>EN version</u>);
- description of the team; justification of / reasoning behind the participation of the co-applicant, collaborators, and others, the definition of their roles in project, including the expected workload of the individual workers;
- a brief description of the data generated by the project and how this data will be handled; in particular, information on the availability and dissemination of the research results and research data;
- a brief description of the potential benefits of the project and possible future application potential;
- a brief plan of how the project results will be communicated to their potential users and the public;
- citations of the literature and publications used;
- <u>International projects and LA grants</u> justified cooperation between the two teams, the added scientific value of the joint research, the scientific work of both teams must be closely linked;
- <u>LA grants</u> budget justification of Czech and foreign applicant.



Part D1, D2, E

D1 - CV, D2 - Bibliography, E - Information about other projects

Part D1 CV

the applicant and co-applicant shall provide: a brief structured professional CV, and a <u>list of activities over the last 5 years</u> in the field of the project proposal; (information may also be provided for professional co-workers)

Part D2 – Bibliography

- summary of scientific activity in the last 10 years (or longer, as career interruptions are not counted into this time), with emphasis placed on how this activity has contributed to current knowledge in that specific field of science (track record); specific scientific findings or answers to important questions in this field must be mentioned; the applicant must state how their scientific work has contributed to the development of scientific knowledge in a wider area of study and also, should it be relevant, how their previous work relates to the project proposal
- complete bibliographic information in the last 10 years
- the total number of citations, including self-citation, for all their works according to the WoS, or SCOPUS alternatively; the number
 of citations found in other databases can also be included, or that of another methodology acknowledged in the given field (must
 be briefly described)
- Part E Information about other projects (Ongoing, proposed, finished)
 - Information regarding ongoing and finished projects has to be filled for the last 5 years



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POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP (only one applicant)

JUNIOR STAR (only one applicant)

POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP – Incoming, Outgoing

POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP Incoming

- Excellent scientists with long-term international experience; in the early stages of their careers, to carry out their own "Excellence Project" at the institution in the Czech Republic (min. 2 out of the last 3 years as a doctoral student abroad or employment with a scientific institution abroad or those two combined – long-term international experience must be completed and sent to CSF no later than September 30, 2023)
- Limited up to 4 years after Ph.D. was granted (Ph.D. title awarded after September 30, 2019)*
- Applicant may not be employed by the organization or any other scientific institution in the Czech Republic from February 14, 2023 until April 4, 2023 (that means from the date of announcement till the Call deadline)!

POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP Outgoing

- Outstanding researcher in his/her early career with an institution in the Czech Republic
- Scientific fellowship abroad 730 days (min. 670 days); the fellowship abroad must be completed at the institution of beneficiary (min. 365 days)
- Limited up to 4 years after Ph.D. was granted (Ph.D. title awarded after September 30, 2019)*



JUNIOR STAR

JUNIOR STAR (up to CZK 25million/5 years)

- Aims at scientists at the beginning of their career to establish an independent group
- Limited up to 8 years after Ph.D. was granted (Ph.D. title awarded after September 30, 2015)*
- The applicant must already have substantial international experience, i. e. Ph.D. completed abroad, or a long-term research mission at an institution abroad within the applicant's Ph.D. programme or after the completion, multiple short-term research stays at an international institution/institutions, cooperation on joined publications with authors abroad the level of international experience is one of the evaluation criteria
- Any person who has already received a grant in the past aimed at scientific independence or the establishment of his/her own scientific group (e.g. ERC Starting Grant, GAMU MASH JUNIOR, previous GA CR/CSF Junior Grant etc.) may not be the applicant of a JUNIOR STAR project!



POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP Outgoing

Specific condition of PIF Outgoing Call

- Scientific fellowship abroad 730 days (min. 670 days)
- The fellowship must take place at one institution only
- The launch date of the project must match the first day of the fellowship abroad
- The fellowship abroad must be completed at the institution of beneficiary (min. 365 days)
- It is not allowed to change beneficiary, investigator, place of the fellowship abroad and the duration of the expected duration of the fellowship!

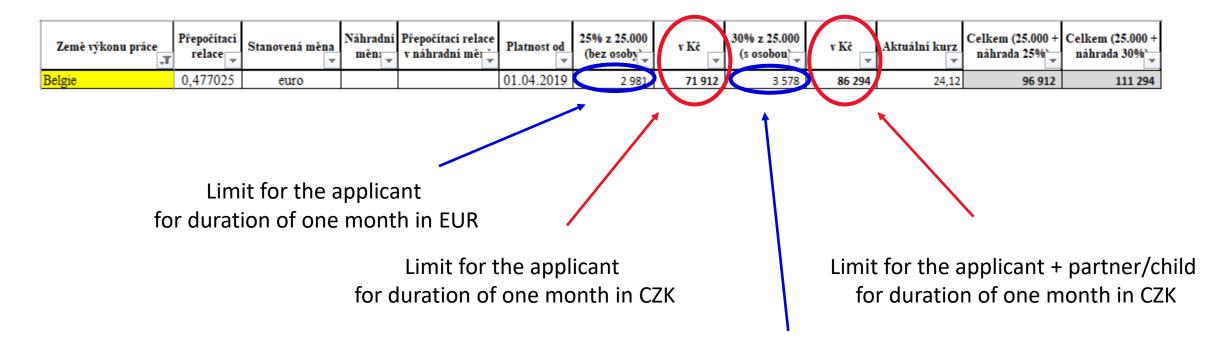
Material Costs during the fellowship abroad

- Costs of materials, other services and non-material costs, license and payment costs are excluded from eligible costs during the
 fellowship abroad (except for conference fees with active presentation of project results, Open Access fees; publications must be
 affiliated to the Czech institution)
- Increased costs of living abroad are excluded from the calculation of Overheads
- Travel expenses during the internship abroad only to the place of work and back
- Costs of living abroad can be increased in case of spouse/partner/child during applicants stay abroad (limit table can be found here)



POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP Outgoing

Costs of living abroad



Limit for the applicant + partner/child for duration of one month in EUR



POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP, JUNIOR STAR

Eligible Personnel Costs

Personnel Costs/Calls	PIF Incoming	PIF Outgoing	JUNIOR STAR
Applicant (workload)	min. 0.7 FTE (max. gross wage CZK 60 ths. /month/1FTE)	min. 0.7 FTE (max. gross wage CZK 60 ths./month/1FTE); max. gross wage CZK 25 ths. /month/1FTE during the fellowship abroad)	min. 0.5 FTE (gross wage limit is not set)
Co-workers (except technicians and administrative workers, Bc. and Master students)	- (not allowed to be a part of the team)	- (not allowed to be a part of the team)	min. 0.5 FTE (gross wage limit is not set)
Technicians and Master students	can be involved in the project (the total sum of workloads for these employees max. 1FTE; max. gross wage CZK 35 ths. /month/1FTE)	can be involved in the project only in the period of the applicant's stay in the workplace in the Czech Republic (the total sum of workloads for these employees max. 1FTE; max. gross wage CZK 35 ths./month/1FTE)	can be involved, (gross wage limit and workload limits are not set)
Agreements on work (DDP, DPČ in Czech)	max. CZK 400/h	max. CZK 400/h	limit max. 7 % of the total budget for personnel costs

Time spent at the beneficiary's workplace must correspond to an investigator's workload.



POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP, JUNIOR STAR

Eligible Material Costs

Material Costs (Costs of materials; Travel costs (PIF – eligible only for PI); Costs of other services and non-material costs; Patent and license payments; Open Access costs; costs for Data Management Plan)

- PIF OUTGOING
 - PIF OUTGOING <u>Costs of material</u>, <u>Costs of other services and non-material costs are NOT ELIGIBLE during the fellowship abroad (except for conference fees with active presentation of project results, Open Access fees; publications must be affiliated to the Czech institution and except for Data Management Plan).
 </u>
 - PIF OUTGOING Increased costs of living abroad; Limits for each state are set <u>here</u>

Investment Cost

- JUNIOR STAR up to 20% (calculated from Personnel Costs and Material Costs excluding Overheads)
- NOT allowed for POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP projects

Overheads up to 20% (calculated from Personnel Costs and Material Costs excluding Overheads)

PIF OUTGOING – Increased costs of living abroad are excluded from the calculation of Overheads



POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP, JUNIOR STAR

Annexes/Calls	PIF Incoming	PIF Outgoing	JUNIOR STAR
C1 (scientific part), in PDF, 11 points font, single spacing	max. 10 pages, (max. 6 MB)	max. 10 pages, (max. 6 MB)	max. 15 pages, (max. 6 MB)
CV of the applicant, in PDF, 11 points font, single spacing	max. 2 pages, (max. 1MB) max. 2 pages, (max. 1MB)		max. 2 pages, (max. 1MB)
Copy of Ph.D. (or affidavit of completion no later than 30/09/2023)	YES	YES	YES
Copies of the special permission	only if necessary	only if necessary	only if necessary
List of the foreign institutions to which applicant does not want to send the project proposal for evaluation (with an explanation)	optional	optional	optional
Identification of the proposed supplier, nature of the supplier's performance, and the preliminary price (throughout the duration of the project)	if the project proposal requires a supply/ supplies from a single supplier, and the total value of purchases from the single supplier exceeds CZK 750,000	if the project proposal requires a supply/ supplies from a single supplier, and the total value of purchases from the single supplier exceeds CZK 750,000	if the project proposal requires the acquisition of Investments exceeds CZK 250,000 and/or the supply/supplies from a single supplier, and the total value of purchases from the single supplier exceeds CZK 750,000
Letter of Intent	- (this Annex is not allowed)	support to the fellowship by the host institution's authorised representative, explicitly stating the duration and the title of the project (template in the tender documentation, Annex 10)	Letter of Intent verifying the international cooperation or a commitment to perform the necessary work at an institution abroad
Copies of documents evidencing international cooperation	- (this Annex is not allowed)	- (this Annex is not allowed)	copies of documents evidencing substantial international cooperation

Part C1 – scientific proposal

Part C1 must include the following (11-point font, single spacing)

- a summary of the current state of knowledge in the given scientific field, and a description of the applicant's contribution and/or related issues
- a statement of the substance and timeliness of the project, its aims, methods including conceptual and methodical procedures, a detailed schedule, and project phases. The project stages and the accomplishment of each aim must be associated with the expected results; wherever relevant, the possible impact on women and men should be taken into account (information shall also be included as to whether the results of the research will be as beneficial, functional and safe as possible for both men and women);
- identification of the risks to the achievement of the project results, including the intensity of such risks, their probability, and ways to minimize the risks;
- description of the substance and extent of international collaboration, existing and planned, within the project
- information on the readiness of the applicant (enforcing the principles of responsible research and innovation, including strategic tools for developing human potential and improving working conditions;
- a reference to the applicant's existing gender equality plan (link to <u>CZ version</u>, link to <u>EN version</u>);
- description of the team; justification of / reasoning behind the participation of collaborators, and others, the definition of their roles in project, including the expected workload of the individual workers; (<u>JUNIOR STAR</u> a description of the team and a detailed concept of its formation during the project);
- a brief description of the data generated by the project and how this data will be handled; in particular, information on the availability and dissemination of the research results and research data;
- a brief description of the potential benefits of the project and possible future application potential;
- a brief plan of how the project results will be communicated to their potential users and the public;
- <u>PIF Outgoing</u> an explanation of the choice of the institution and location of the fellowship, including an explanation of the necessity of a
 fellowship for the achievement of the scientific aims of the project, a description of the institution abroad and the team involved, an estimate of
 the expected benefits of the fellowship abroad, and the expected duration;
- citations of the literature and publications used;



Part D1, D2, E

D1 - CV, D2 - Bibliography, E - Information about other projects

Part D1 CV

- <u>PIF Outgoing</u> the applicant shall provide: a brief structured professional CV, and a <u>list of activities throughout his/her career in the field of the project proposal;</u>
- <u>PIF Incoming</u> the applicant shall provide: a brief structured professional CV, and a <u>list of activities throughout his/her career in the field of the project proposal</u>; a <u>long-term international experience</u> (min. 2 out of the last 3 years as a doctoral student abroad or employment with a scientific institution abroad or those two combined) <u>must be stated in Part D1 or to be sent by September 30</u>, 2023, at the <u>latest</u>;
- <u>JUNIOR STAR</u> the applicant shall provide: a brief structured professional CV, explaining where and how he/she obtained his/her international experience and a <u>list of activities over the last 3 years</u> in the field of the project proposal;

Part D2 – Bibliography

- summary throughout his/her career (or longer, as career interruptions are not counted into this time), with emphasis placed on
 how this activity has contributed to current knowledge in that specific field of science (track record); specific scientific findings or
 answers to important questions in this field must be mentioned; the applicant must state how their scientific work has contributed to
 the development of scientific knowledge in a wider area of study and also, should it be relevant, how their previous work relates to
 the project proposal;
- complete bibliographic information throughout his/her career
- Part E Information about other projects (Ongoing, proposed, finished)
 - Information regarding ongoing and finished projects has to be filled for the last 5 years

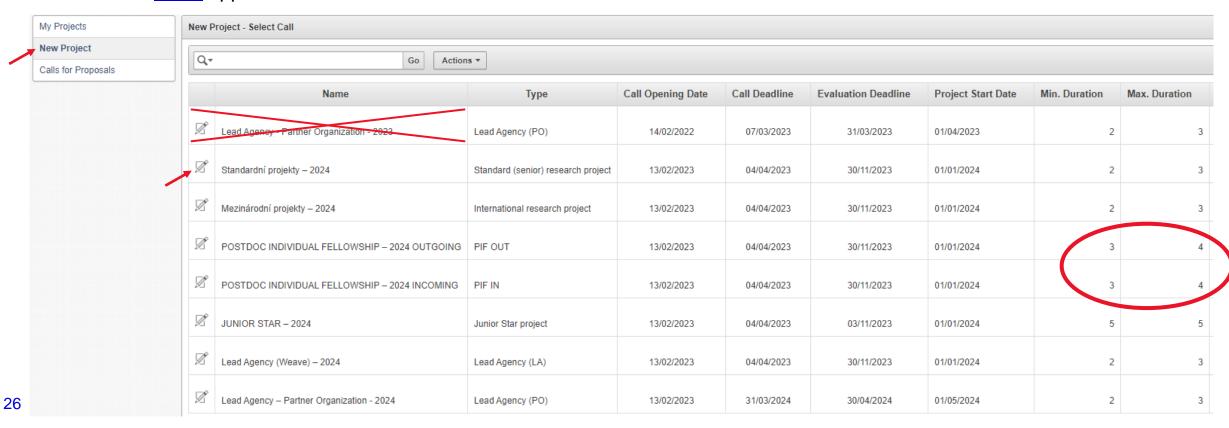


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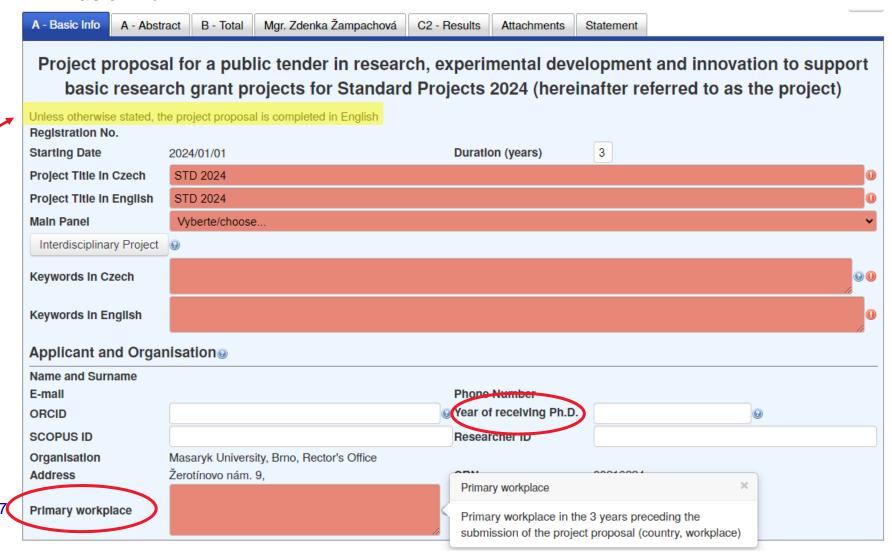
Submission

GRIS – project submission application

- Video-instructions for filling the GRIS applicant (with English subtitles) in preparation, will be published here
- Access to GRIS application

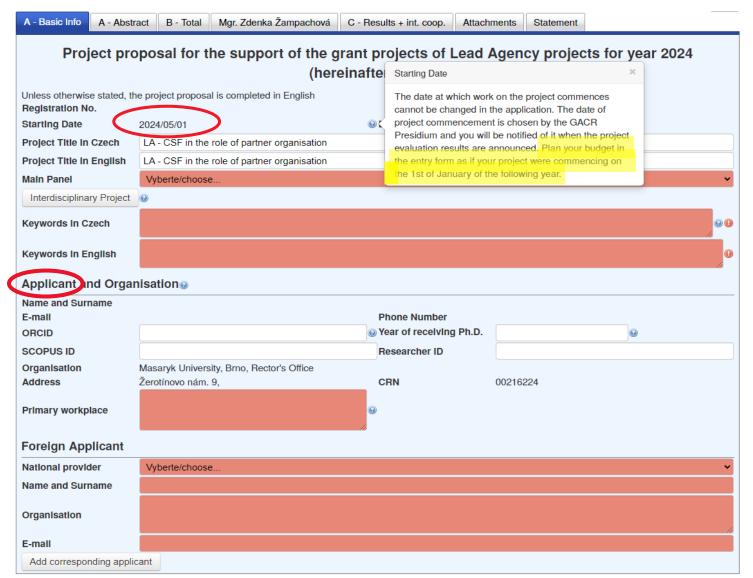


A – Basic info



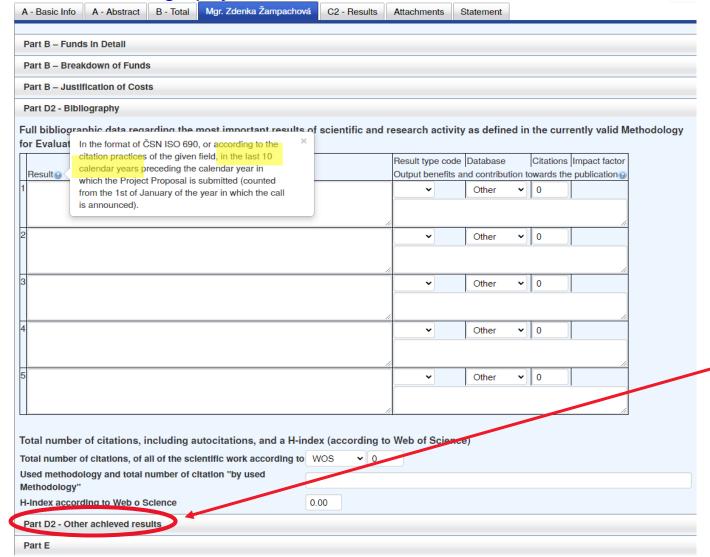


A – Basic Info - LA grants (CSF in the role of the "partner organization") – starting date





Part D2 - Bibliography

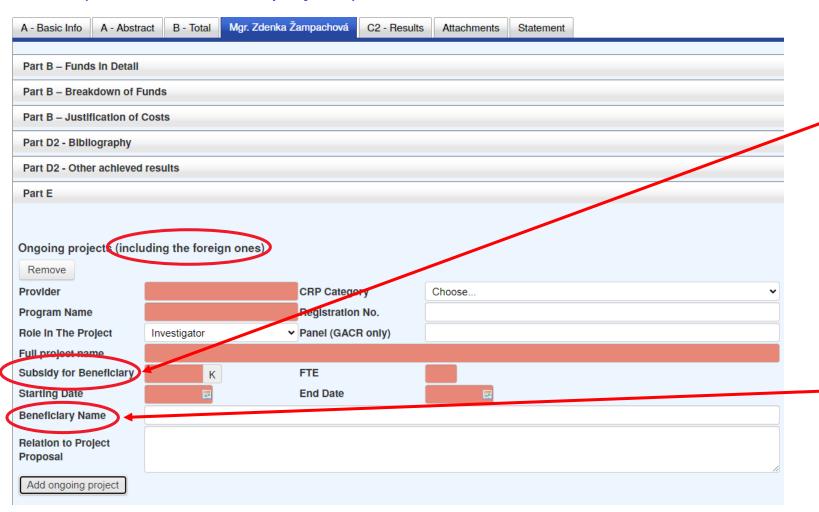


Scientific activity

Summary of scientific activity in the past 10 years (or longer, as career interruptions are not counted into this time), with emphasis placed on how this activity has contributed to current knowledge in that specific field of science (track record); specific scientific findings or answers to important questions in this field must be mentioned; the applicant must state how their scientific work has contributed to the development of scientific knowledge in a wider area of study and also, should it be relevant, how their previous work relates to the project proposal.



Part E (Information about projects)



The budget used by PI or by co-PI for their own part of the project without co-financing.

It is possible to fill the institution of PI /co-PI.



Attachments

Project Detail

Applicant

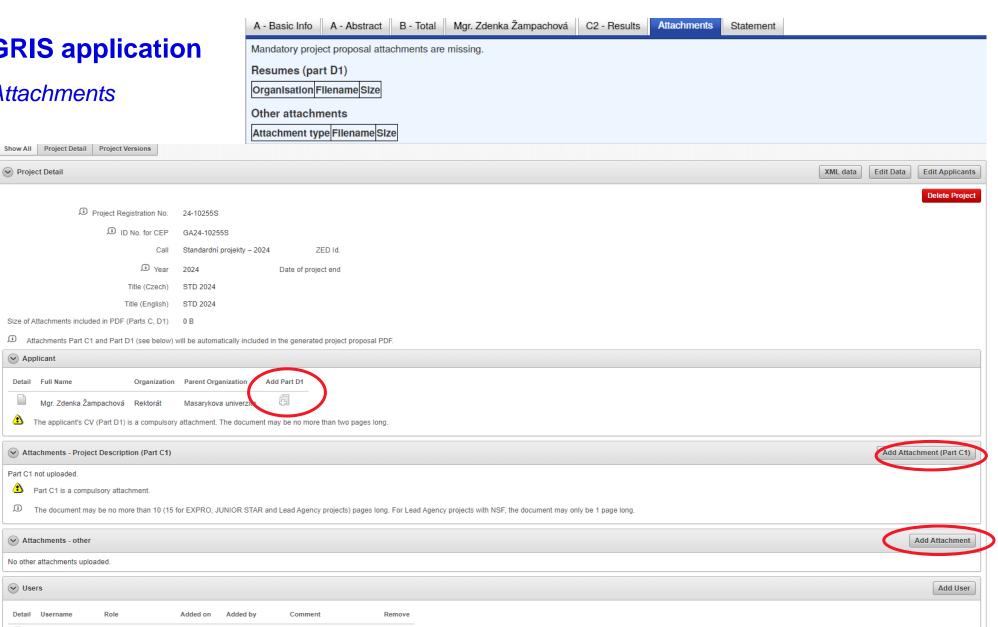
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Attachments - other

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ZZAMPACHOVA Project Administrator 21/02/2023 ZZAMPACHOVA Added on project creation.





By submitting this project proposal, the organization confirms that he has made himself familiar with the tender document/Rules and commits himself to comply with the provisions stated therein, in particular shall ensure that:

- the applicant is in a labour law relationship to the organization or such a relationship shall be established no later than the date the grant project begins;
- once the agreement on provision of targeted support is concluded, the beneficiary shall fulfil all the obligations as per act No. 130/2002 Coll., the tender document/Rules, and the concluded agreement or the issued decision;
- · will provide the investigator with adequate administrative support;
- will provide the Inevstigator with an adequate technical and institutional workplace, most importantly with adequate spaces and existing equipment during work on the project, and potentially even after its end;
- will secure for the investigator an ethical and non-discriminatory workplace, will explicitly lay down an ethical code and will secure a transparent course of action in the event of this code being breached; they also confirm that to their knowledge, the ethical norms of Scientific work have not been breaced by the applicant or coapplicant in the 5 years preceding the announcement of the given public call;
- will uphold all ethical norms of scientific work and require the same from the (co-)applicants; in the case of success in the public tender, they will require the (co-)investigator uphold the ethical norms of scientific work (should the situation arise where the (co-)applicant, (co-)investigator or other members of the team working on the project are proven to have breached the norms of ethical scientific work during work on the project or to have done so in the 5 years preceding the announcement of the given public tender, the Provider may disqualify the Project Proposal from the public tender, terminate the contract of grant project support without any notice period, cancel the decision of grant project support or back out of the agreement of grant project support);
- after the conclusion of the agreement on provision of targeted support, the investigator will fulfil all his obligations, especially concerning his responsibility for the adequate professional standard of carrying out the project;
- all the data and information stated in the project proposal are true and complete, identical with those filled out in the project proposal through the application, that
 the project proposal conforms to the tender document/Rules, and that all the persons stated therein meet and for the whole time of their contribution to carrying out
 the project will be meeting the conditions of the tender document/Rules;
- the (co-)organizations, the (co-)applicants and all the co-workers, professional or other, stated in the project proposal were made familiar with the project proposal concerning its material, professional as well as financial aspects including financial requirements, and with the tender document/Rules;
- before the submission of the project proposal, the consent of all the persons listed above concerning their participation on carrying out the project was obtained;
- for a project with the same or similar topic, financial support from any other source was not, has been not and will be not accepted;
- should the applicant or co-applicant take part in any other grant or programme project, such a project is different from this project proposal and the proposed scopes of work allows the applicant and co-applicant to carry out all their projects;
- the provider agrees to use of the data included in the project proposal by the provider for his needs and published in scope as per act. no. 130/2002 Coll. and the tender document/Rules;
- in case the agreement on providing targeted support of a grant project is concluded or the decision, respectively, is issued, the beneficiary shall conform to the relevant Tender Documentation/Rules during work on the project;
- after the conclusion of the agreement on provision of targeted support or the issuance of the decision on provision of targeted support, the co-financing of the given grant project shall be arranged in accord to the submitted project proposal.

Simultaneously, the organization confirms that all the conditions listed above have been abided and that all the data and information filled out in the project proposal were checked for imperfections.

Submission in GRIS

- Project proposal may not have the same title as another proposal submitted to CSF by the same organization, nor the same title as another project being carried out or completed
- Only annexes given by tender documentation can be attached!
- All annexes must be attached in PDF
- It is possible to create final version repeatedly, i. e. the application is not locked up by generating a final version.
- It is not necessary to use the last version as the final one
- Keep the original name of the file given by the application
- Final PDF must be sent via MU data box to CSF (the last version received via data box will be evaluated)



Check the internal deadlines at your faculty

Internal processes at MU

Submission in ISEP (MU project management information system)

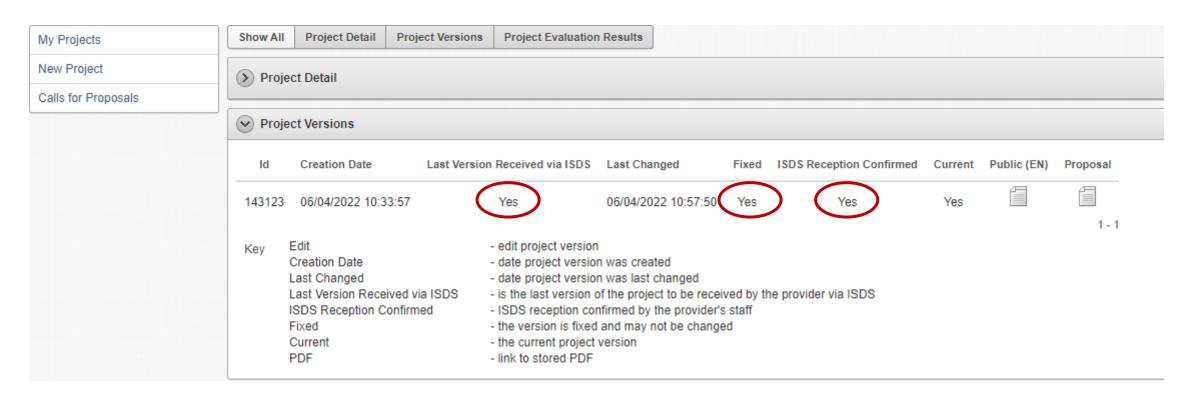
- Inform your Dean's office about your intention to apply for the project proposal
- Create the project proposal in <u>ISEP</u>
- Check the Ethical aspects and if needed, send the Application for Ethics Review to the MU Research Ethics
 Committee in time
- Close and submit the proposal for electronic approval in ISEP before the Call deadline



Confirmation of delivery via MU data box

GRIS application

You can check delivery in the GRIS application on the front page of your project proposal



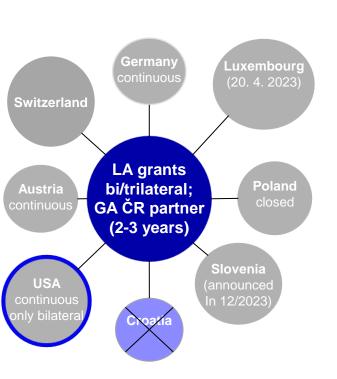


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Evaluation

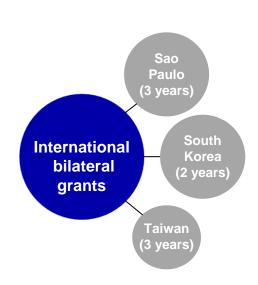
Evaluation

GA ČR/CSF evaluation processes

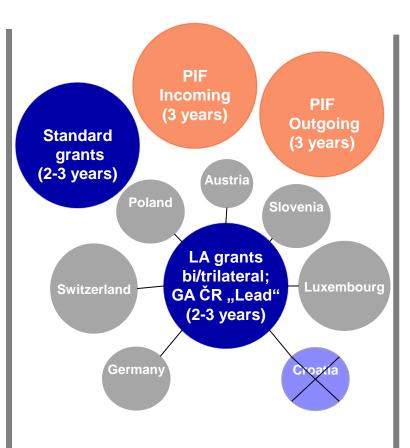


Evaluated only by foreign _,Lead" agency

(proposals are not evaluated by CSF)



<u>foreign agency</u> (Czech proposal is evaluated by <u>panel members</u> and by selected foreign evaluators)



Evaluated only by CSF

(evaluated by <u>panel members</u> and by selected foreign evaluators)



Evaluated by JS/EXPRO

<u>Discipline Committees</u>

(only foreign evaluators)



Standard projects, International projects, LA grants

Evaluation

- Originality, quality, overall standard of the project proposal
 - Aims of the project proposal (an assessment of whether clear and specific aims have been defined, their ambition, relevance and feasibility; the proportionality of the width of the problem proposed to be solved to the resources and time planned)
 - Methodology, feasibility (including the time schedule, adequacy and the composition of qualifications of team members, the balanced representation of women and men within the team)
 - Expected quality of the project outputs
 - International cooperation expected involvement of institutions abroad
 - Process, outputs and ways of carrying out any previous projects carried out by the PI/co-PI funded by CSF
 - LA grants:
 - The extent to which the objective of the project proposal is interesting in terms of international comparison and whether the project is likely to represent a breakthrough in the field is to be evaluated
 - Quality of Czech and foreign applicant
 - Added value of International cooperation (the potential for future cooperation; evaluation of the involvement of foreign departments in the project, e.g. in terms of mutual use of instrumentation of cooperating departments, use of complementary approaches and methodologies
- Competence and qualifications of the applicant and/or co-applicant
- Readiness of the applicant and co-applicant to carry out the project proposal
- Evaluation of proposed costs



JUNIOR STAR, PIF

Evaluation

- Originality, quality, overall standard of the project proposal
 - Aims of the project proposal (the extent to which the research is proposed "high risk/high gain")
 - · Methodology, feasibility
 - Expected quality of the project outputs
 - International cooperation expected involvement of institutions abroad
 - Process, outputs and ways of carrying out any previous projects carried out by the PI/co-PI funded by CSF
 - JUNIOR STAR Quality of the independent team concept where the specifics of the project solution require it
 - <u>JUNIOR STAR</u> International cooperation expected involvement of institutions abroad
 - <u>PIF Incoming/Outgoing</u>— International experience the extent and quality of existing or planned foreign activities are assessed
 - PIF Outgoing Quality and readiness of the foreign institution at which the fellowship will be carried out
- Competence and qualifications of the applicant (<u>JUNIOR STAR</u> potential to lead an independent research group)
- Readiness of the applicant and co-applicant to carry out the project proposal with regard to their technical and institutional resources, taking into account the proposed cooperation, the principles of responsible research and innovation (RRI), including the strategic tools of human potential development, and improvements of working conditions, the existence of a plan for the development of gender equity and/or measures to improve gender equity within HR Awards, etc.
- PIF Creative contributions in the scientific field regarding to the project proposal given their track record
- Evaluation of proposed costs



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Implementation

Possible changes during the project implementation

Standard projects, International projects, LA grants

- Changes between the cost categories (Personnel/Material/Investments) are allowed up to CZK 100ths. without the official request
- It is possible to change beneficiary, another participant, investigator, co-investigator

POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP Incoming

- Changes between the cost categories (Personnel/Material costs) are allowed up to CZK 100ths. without the official request
- It is possible to change milestones during the project implementation and to change the beneficiary

POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP Outgoing

- Changes between the cost categories (Personnel/Material costs) are allowed up to CZK 100ths. without the official request
- It is possible to change milestones during the project implementation

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- Changes between the cost categories (Personnel/Material/Investments) are allowed up to CZK 100ths. without the official request
- It is possible to change milestones during the project implementation and to change the beneficiary

In case of maternity/parental leave/other serious reason in project implementation:

- PI can request for project suspension for a total of 6-18 months
- PI (co-PI) can request for reduction of workload
- PI (co-PI) can request for a change of investigator/co-investigator (not possible for JUNIOR STAR and PIF)
- PI can request for an extension of the implementation period up to 18 months



Implementation - reports

Progress (interim) reports, Final reports

- Progress (interim) scientific report
 - A detailed report on the progress of a three-year project shall not be submitted until after the second year of the project; for each year, the use of funds and a list of publication outputs shall be reported (<u>Standard projects, International projects, LA grants, PIF</u>)
 - after 2.5 year; for each year, the management of funds and a list of publication outputs shall be reported (<u>JUNIOR STAR</u>)
- Final scientific report shall be completed one year after the completion of the project (with the exception of data on the use of funds, which shall be submitted one month after the end of the project); the report may be postponed by up to 6 months upon the request of the beneficiary (except of JUNIOR STAR projects)



Publication outputs

- In case of multiple dedications, it is necessary to justify:
 - Which author thanks which projects
 - What was the contribution of each CSF project to the publication
 - Which specific steps in towards publication outputs the project supported
 - If the above condition has not been met, the publication cannot be accepted.
- Only articles published in journals with a non-zero impact factor registered in the WoS Core Collection SCI or SSCI database may be considered Jimp outputs.
- <u>JUNIOR STAR</u> only publications in major international journals (journals ranked among the top 10% in the field), or articles in other journals published in the period under review and selected as ISI Highly Cited, other publications in journals with an impact factor (IF), papers in proceedings of major international conferences, monographs or chapters in books published by prestigious international publishers will be recognized as outputs.



Final evaluation of the completed project

A project shall be graded as "Incomplete" independently of the expert evaluation in any of the following cases:

- Not all parts of the progress report or final report have been delivered;
- Terms and conditions for submitting the results into the Information System for Research, Development, and Innovation (IS VaVaI),
 Register of Information on Results (RIV) section, have not been met;
- Provider has withdrawn from the Agreement on project funding, has terminated the Agreement, or revoked the Decision

– JUNIOR STAR:

- Scientific intent/aims of the project has not been achieved
- PI has not achieved independence, e.g. an organizationally and ideologically independent team with an independent programme was not created
- Publications* and/or other results are not excellent or very good in terms of number or potential impact, or their potential use in solving the
 problems identified by the project, and are unlikely to contribute to the development of the field

– PIF Outgoing:

- Scientific Fellowship abroad has not taken place at all, or not in the minimum duration of 730 days (not less than 670 days)
- The condition of 365 days of project activity carried out at the institution of the beneficiary has not been met



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Success rate in previous years

CSF – Success rate at MU to CSF Discipline Committees and Evaluating Panels

Statistics at MU (projects with the beginning in 2020 – 2023) here.



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