Deadline	**Thu 21. Nov 2019 16:30 SEČ**
Call name	**TAČR Programme Zéta 03**
www	https://www.tacr.cz/soutez/program-zeta/ctvrta-verejna-soutez-zeta/ https://tacr.cz/index.php/cz/programy/program-zeta.html
Focused on	Applied research, experimental development
PI	Student, young researcher (< 35 yrs)
Eligible organisation	Research institutions, enterprises (Project coordinator has to have legal HQ in The Czech Republic)
Target group	The team consists of a minimum of 4 members: 3 young researchers and 1 mentor with relevant research experience (no age limit)
Expected outputs	At least one result of applied research as defined in following RIV categories: G - technically realized results - prototype, functional sample; Z - pilot plant, proven technology; R - software; F - industrial and utility model; N - Certified methodologies, procedures and specialized maps with professional content; H_{conc} - results reflected in approved governmental conception documents issued by governmental or public administration bodies; H_{neleg} - results reflected in non-legislative directives and provisions binding within the competence of the respective body; V_{souhrn} - Comprehensive Research Report O – Miscellaneous
Call opens	Thu 10 Oct 2019
IOCB deadline	Mon 18 Nov 2019
Final deadline	**Thu 21. Nov 2019 16:30 SEČ**
Evaluation results	Thu 30 Apr 2020 (latest)
Signature of agreement	Not defined
Earliest date of implementation	Within 1 May 2020 – 1 Aug 2020
Latest date of implementation	31 Jul 2022
Sustainability	None
Reporting	Annual report (by 30 Jan of the following year) Final report along with implementation plan (by 30 days after closing the project) Report on result implementation (by 31 Jul of the year following after project closing date)
Project duration (min-max)	**12–24 months**
Allocation for the call	315 M CZK
Project budget (min-max)	**Max 10 M CZK (expected average budget 2 M CZK)**
Success rate	**48%** (119/249 projects in 1st call 2017)
Eligible costs	• **personnel costs**: researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the project (limited personnel cost for mentor 50K CZK/year) • **subcontracting costs**: costs of contractual research, knowledge and patents bought or licensed from outside sources at arm's length conditions, as well as costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the project • **operating expenses**: including costs of materials, supplies and similar products, incurred directly as a result of the project • **overhead costs**: full cost or flat rate 30% of direct costs (ex. subcontracting costs) • investment cost (long term assets) are <u>not eligible</u>
Reimbursement	**Max 85% of the project costs** (avg. rate for the whole project) 15% has to be funded from other sources (public or private) Intensity of the financial support for various project arrangement

Organization/activity categories	Applied research		Experimental development	
	Max reimbursment	Max. reimbursement in eff. coop *	Max reimbursment	Max. reimbursement in eff. coop *
Small enterprises	70%	80%	45%	60%
Medium enterprises	60%	75%	35%	50%
Large enterprises	50%	65%	25%	40%
Research organization	100%	100%	100%	100%
*reimbursement in case of effective cooperation				

Mode of funding	Ex-ante (annual payments within 60 days after contract signature, according to the proposed budget)
Language of application	Czech
Provider	Technologická agentura České republiky, Evropská 1692/37, 160 00 Praha 6 TAČR helpdesk: https://helpdesk.tacr.cz
Call identifier	TAČR Zéta 04
Call info	TAČR Zéta is aimed at support of the cooperation of academic research organization with enterprises by means of the students' and young researchers' engagement in the research. It funds two-year projects in applied research and experimental development carried out by the research team that comprises at least 3 young researchers (under 35) and at least 1 mentor (experienced research, not age-limited, number of mentors must be adequate)

Conditions / Restrictions	▪ **Project must be submitted in the Czech language** via ISTA system and via TAČR databox
	▪ Project must have at least **one application garant** (internal or external) seated in the Czech republic that ensures the exploitation of the results. Who is application garant? See TAČR leaflet in Download documents section.
	▪ Project team consist of at least:
	  o **3 students/young researchers**
	    ▪ students enrolled in undegradual and postgradual study programmes, college, high school students
	    ▪ young reseachers under the age of 35 (parental leave, care for minors, long-term illness may extend the age limit)
	  o **1 mentor** - a person with appropriate academic/applied research experience
	  o Number of mentors is not limited, it must be adequate and reasonable
	    ▪ Each applicant has to have at least one
	▪ TAČR does not allow duplicate funding(does not support projects that are in part or completely supported by other grants)
	▪ Project budget cannot comprise long term assets

Proposal consists of	**I. Electronic proposal in ISTA system** https://ista.tacr.cz. 1) **Electronic form**: (i) Project identification; (ii) project applicants; (iii) Project introduction; (iv) Project team; (v) Project results/outputs; (vi) Project schedule; (vii) Financial plan; (viii) additional data; (ix) Attachments Project must contain the consideration of impact of the proposed research on gender issues (if relevant) 2) **Sworn statement** (PDF, obligatory for each applicant, to be delivered via databox of the applicant by the call deadline) 3) **Letter of intent**, **contract on exploitation of the result**, or **future contract** must be attached in case the project proposal involves external application garant. 4) A **document on gender equality certification**, if the award is stated 5) Any **other attachments** that supports project proposal (drawings, schemes, pictures) are **allowed**. Attachments must be presented **in the Czech language**. If not available, attach also the translation. **II. Delivery the certification of submission generated from ISTA via databox of the main applicant ID TAČR databox: afth9xp** After the submission of the electronic proposal in ISTA, applicant generates the confirmation of submission with specific identificators. Confirmation must be delivered via databox of the main applicant.message must be titled "4. veřejná soutěž – program ZÉTA – NÁVRH PROJEKTU" in the data field „Věc".

Evaluation criteria	**Evaluation process consist of several stages**: • opponent evaluation • reporter evaluation • sector panel evaluation • Programme council evaluation • TAČR bureau decision Proposal is evaluated using **9 criteria with various point ranges**: 1. Fullfilment of programme aims and focus and convergenc with national priorities in research. 0;4;8;12 points; 2. Presence of research, development and innovation in the project (according to the Frascati manual) and suitability of used methods: 0;4;8;12 points; 3. Knowledge base description: 0;3;6;9 points; 4. Project results revelance: 0;4;8;12 points; 5. Applicability potential, project benefits, plausibility of transfer of the project results to practice 0;4;8;12 points; 6. Economical and time effectivity of the project: 0;4;8;12 points; 7. Organizational and technical support to the project; risk analysis: 0;3;6;9 points; 8. Project team: 0;4;8;12 points; 9. Motivational effect of requested support: 0;1;2;3 points. Total score includes **3 bonification criteria**: 1. Gender diversity of the team and balanced labor distribution: 0; 7; 14; 20 points; 2. Gender dimension in proposed research: 0; 7; 14; 20 points; 3. Certification of advanced personnel politics: 0; 10 points. For details, consult A handbook for opponents (in Czech).
Research areas	National priorities of oriented research, experimental development and innovations: 1 primary objective, 0 - 2 secondary objectives (any topic except priority area 6 - safe society) Central evidence of projects (CEP): 1 primary + 2 secondary areas Fields of Research and Development (FORD): 1 primary + 2 secondary areas (in accordance with CEP)
Call workshop	**Thu 17 Oct 2019 13:00 – 15:00, TAČR HQ,** Evropská 1692/37, Praha 6, room no. 043 Live stream and video later available at: https://www.tacr.cz/pozvanka-seminar-ke-4-verejne-soutezi-programu-zeta/
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Download documents	TAČR Zéta 04 summary (eng) TAČR Zéta 04 Zadávací dokumentace (cz) TAČR Zéta 04 Příloha č. 1 - Příručka pro vyhodnocení genderové dimenze ve výzkumu (cz) TAČR Zéta 04 Příloha č. 2 - Aplikační garant (cz) TAČR Zéta 04 Všeobecné podmínky (cz) TAČR Zéta 04 Znění programu ZETA od 29.8.2019 (cz) TAČR Zéta 04 Čestné prohlášení za uchazeče/Sworn statement of the applicant (cz/eng) TAČR Zéta 04 Struktura cílů NPOV (cz) TAČR Zéta 04 Základní informace pro uchazeče (cz) TAČR Zéta 04 Příručka pro oponenty (cz)