



# National Research Funding Opportunities

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# Research funding sources at MU

2 main sources to fund research at MU:

## Grants

1 042 779 000 CZK (2017)

**Won** through grant competitions at different grant providers.

In 2017:

29% National grants  
15 % International Grants  
14% European Structural and Investment funds (ESIF)

**58%** 

## Institutional Support (IS)\*

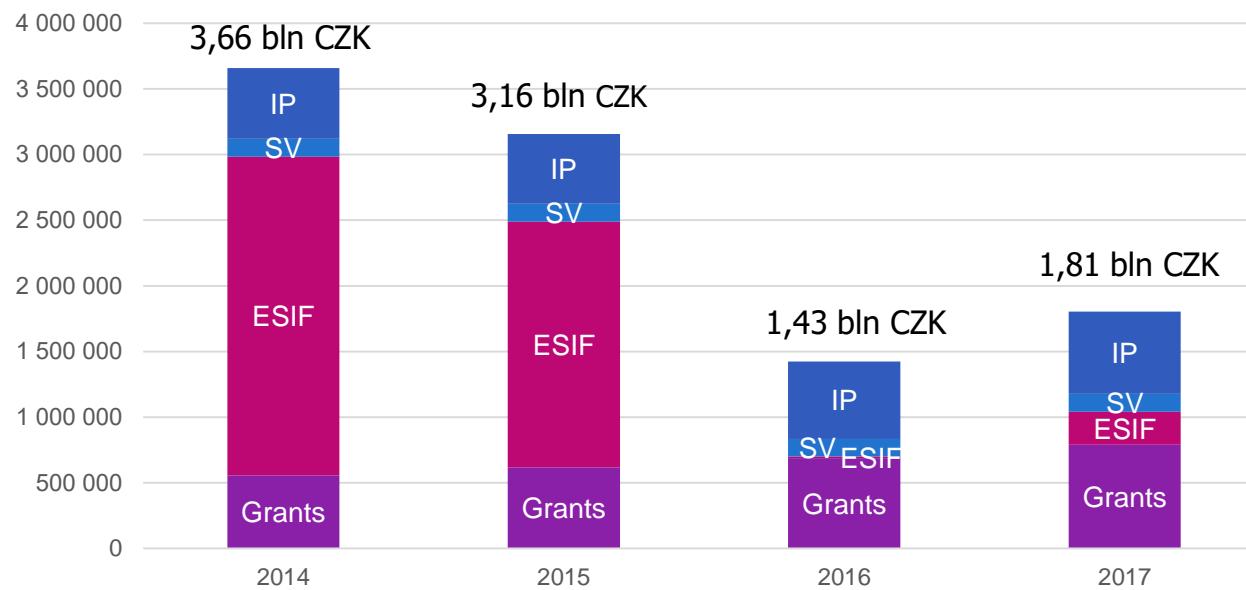
726 275 000 CZK (2017)

**Received**  
From the national government

**42%** 

Projects are the **main source of funding** for research at MU.

# MU annual research budget



# Overview of the grant providers

## National grants



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Ministries

## International and co-funded grants



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- [EMBO](#)
- [EHP/Norway grants](#)
- [International Visegrad funds](#)
- .....

## European Structural and Investment funds

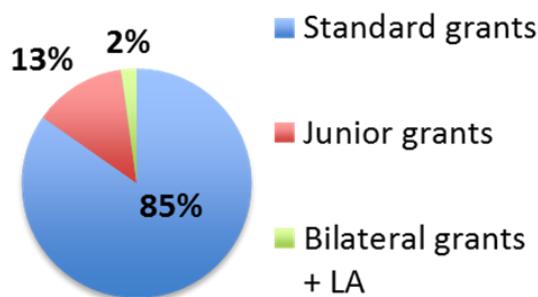


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Evropské strukturální  
a investiční fondy

## Basic research

- Projects for 2-3 years
- The PI defines the topic
- No limit on the project budget
- Individual and collaborative projects
- 1 call per year in the individual programmes in February/March
- Average success rate of MU in 2018: **26,6%**
- Annual GAČR budget cca. 3,5 bln CZK

## GAČR budget distribution



## Programmes

### Standard projects

Excellent basic research

### Junior grants

Up to 8 years after PhD,  
international experience required

### Bilateral projects and LA grants

International cooperation

### ERC Support

Support for ERC junior applicants

### EXPRO

For excellent scientists wih the  
aim to submit ERC application



## Applied research

- Collaborative projects typically for 1 – 4 years
- Focuses on **cooperation of research organization with business**
- **Defined research topics** – linked to the goals of the National priorities of oriented research
- Expected **Research results** – industrial and utility model, prototype, functional sample, software, patent, methodology, map, research report, pilot plant, technology, ...
- **The most important principle** – the outputs of the solution have to substantially change the current situation and be used in practice
- Overall success rate of proposals submitted: 55%



## Programmes

### BETA 2

Public tenders for state administration  
– specific requirements

### GAMA

Market exploitation of research results,  
new products and services

### ZÉTA

Support of junior scientists in applied  
research

### ÉTA

Applied research in area of social  
sciences and humanities

### National centre of Competence

Large strategic centres, focused on  
cooperation of RO and commercial sphere

### THÉTA

Applied research in the field of  
energy

### DELTA

International collaboration in applied  
research (listed countries only)

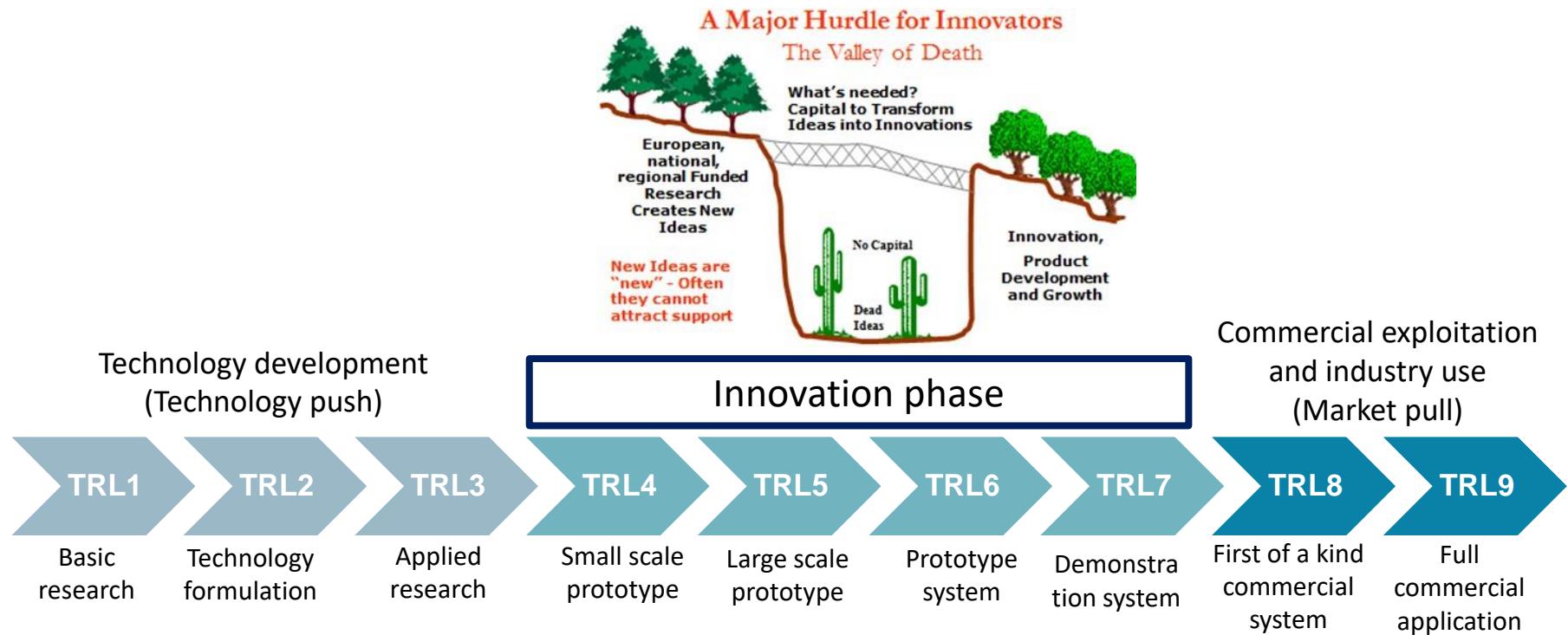
### EPSILON

Market exploitation of research results,  
new products and services

# Programmes of ministries - applied and basic research

M. of Industry and Trade	Ministry of Culture	Ministry of Agriculture	Ministry of the Interior	Ministry of Health	Ministry of Education
<b><u>TRIO/TREND</u></b>	<b><u>NAKI II</u></b>	<b><u>ZEMĚ</u></b>	<b><u>Security Research</u></b>	<b><u>Research in Healthcare</u></b>	<b><u>INTER-EXCELLENCE</u></b>
Key Enabling Technologies research (KET) - photonics, micro- and nanoelectronics, nanotechnology, industrial biotechnology, advanced materials and manufacturing technologies	Applied Research - National and cultural Identity archaeology, language, arts, technologies and procedures for the protection of cultural heritage - For social science and humanities	Applied research in agriculture, angling, food processing industry, water and forest management, support for implementation of national policy in agricultural sector	Applied research - national security and citizens' safety, critical infrastructures, crisis and security policy	Applied research in healthcare - Origin and development of diseases; New diagnostic and therapeutic methods and epidemiology and prevention of life-threatening diseases	<b><u>Mobility</u></b>  Basic and applied research - INTER-EXCELLENCE – broad programme  MOBILITY - projects with partner countries

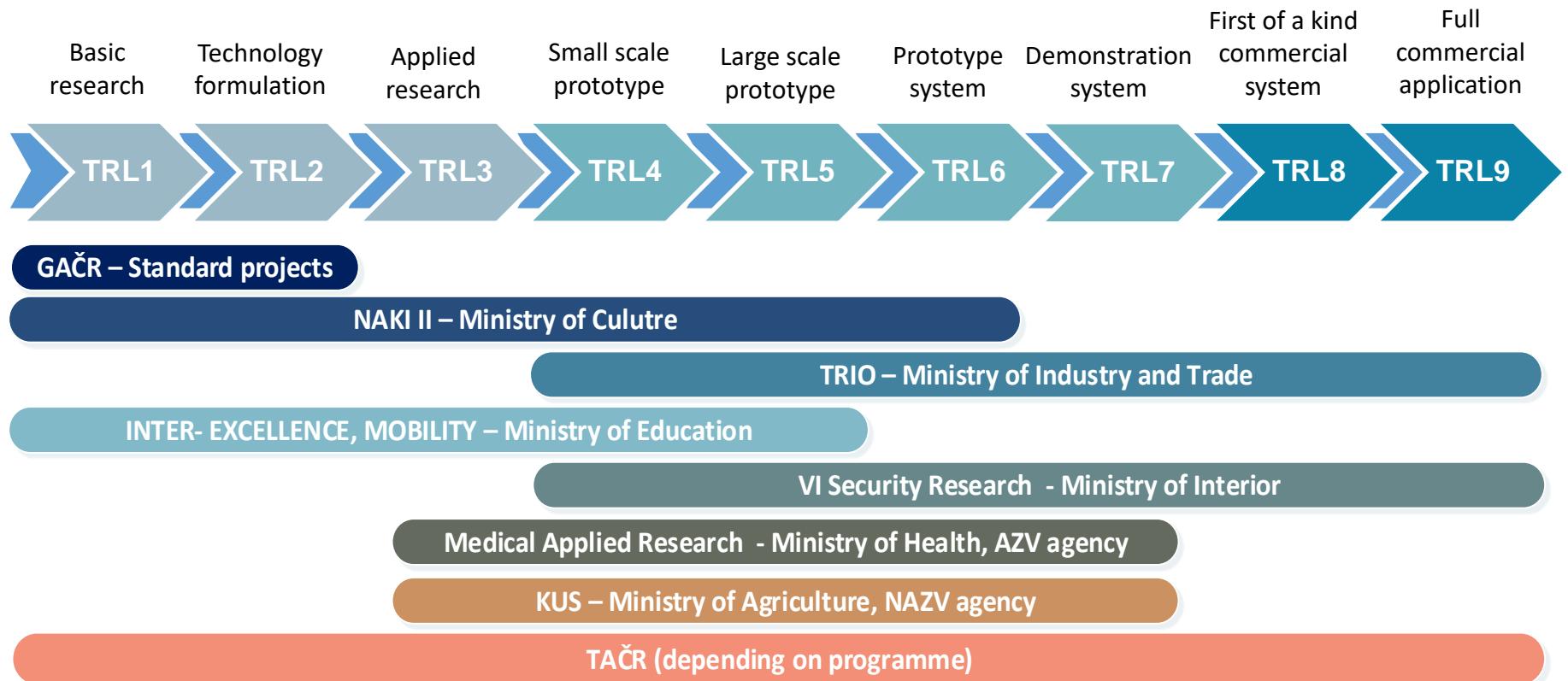
# TRL - Technology Readiness Levels



- TRL 1-3 – From Idea through concept formulation and technology outline to confirmation of the concept
- TRL 4-7 – From „ugly“ prototype to a fully functional product tested in an operating / work environment
- TRL 8-9 – Successful market launch and full commercial use of the product / service

The **TRL definitions** are commonly used in the **call description** of many national and international grant providers

# TRLs and National grant programmes



# MU Grant Agency - Internal research funding scheme

## GAMU

### For students

Specific academic research

A - Student Research Projects

B - Student Research Conferences

Rector's program

C - Support for outstanding diploma theses

D - Support for students' magazines

### For researchers

E - Support for improving quality of excellent results

F - Support for the preparation of international  
project proposals

G - Interdisciplinary research projects

H - Individual frontier research projects

I - MUNI award in science and humanities

<https://gamu.muni.cz>

## GAMU: Student Research Projects

- Closest upcoming call: Autumn 2019
- Ph.D. students along with their supervisors may submit a research project related to their field of study at Masaryk University
- Specific requirements at individual faculties
- Conditions:
  - Duration: 1 year
  - Max. budget: 3 mil. CZK (faculty specific)

## GAMU: Excellent results

- The aim is to support successful completion/upgrade of an extraordinarily high quality research result, which is already elaborated, limited only by lack of financial means and will meet the top parameters of the given research field.
- Call published 2–3 times a year
- Allocation 1 000 000 CZK/ year. Duration of project 1 year.
  
- **Success rate 44%**

## GAMU: Support for the preparation of international project proposals

- The support is focused on covering the costs of preparing outstanding and prestigious project proposals for international grant providers (e.g. European Commission programmes).
- The call works on a continuous basis.

## GAMU: Interdisciplinary Research projects

- Support for larger research groups composed of research teams from at least two faculties at the MU.
- Research topics must be interdisciplinary, innovative and with high added value, and those that are usually not supported by other sources and has not yet been solved at the MU.
- Financial support of 5 000 000 CZK yearly for 3 years
- **Success rate 17%**

## GAMU: Individual frontier research projects

- Financial support 1 000 000 yearly for 2–3 years
- The aim is to widen the research base capable of obtaining ERC grants
- <https://www.em.muni.cz/veda-a-vyzkum/11462-univerzita-podporila-hranicni-vyzkum-evoluce-enzymu-a-regenerace-zubu>

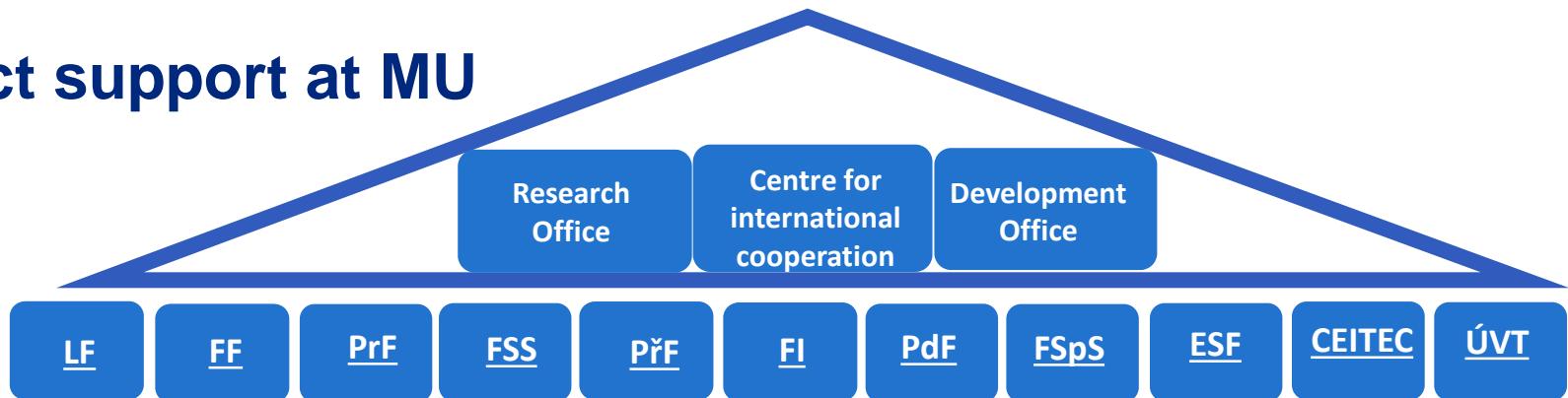
## GAMU: MUNI Award in Science and Humanities

- Financial support 5 000 000 yearly for 5 years
- For ERC holders (or applicants with the A mark from the second step of evaluation)
- <https://www.em.muni.cz/en/science/11424-british-researcher-to-study-interwar-art-at-mu>

## Summary: Grants for young scientists

- Grant Agency of the Czech Republic:
  - Junior Grants
- Technology Agency of the Czech Republic:
  - ZÉTA grants
- Internal Grant Agency:
  - Student Research Projects

# Project support at MU



## University-wide support

- Research Office, Development Office, Centre for International Cooperation (CZS)

## Project/ Grant Offices provide:\*

- Information service, contacts for other specialized support staff
- Administrative support with project proposal preparation – mandatory attachments, proposal record and approval in internal system (ISEP), advice on project budget
- Administrative support with project implementation – cost reporting, periodical reporting, internal approvals, archiving documentation
- Support for logging publications and other research results in internal system IS
- PhD study administration

\*The scope of the provided services at the different Faculties and Institutes may vary

## Project support – heads of Research offices at economic centres

HS	Project Support - contacts	Email
<u>CEITEC</u>	Mgr. Ladislav Čoček	<a href="mailto:grants@ceitec.muni.cz">grants@ceitec.muni.cz</a>
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# Research Office support

- **Information spreading**
  - Research Office website
  - Research Office newsletter
  - Information seminars, workshops, trainings
- **Individual support provided**
  - Individual consultancy with Research Office staff
  - Help with proposal development
- **Financial support**
  - For preparation of prestigious project proposals

# Research Office Events in 2019

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## Masaryk University Research Office Events in 2019

		Researcher	PhD Student	Research Support
15. 3. 2019	9.00-12.00			
16. 3. 2019	9.00-12.00			
21. 3. 2019	9.00-12.00			
28. 3. 2019	9.00-12.00			
12. 4. 2019	10.00-12.00			
17. 4. 2019	9.00-12.00			
24. 4. 2019	9.00-12.00			
7. 5. 2019	9.00-12.00			
19.-23. 8. 2019	9.00-12.00			
OCTOBER 2019	9.00-12.00			
16. 10. 2019	9.00-12.00			
OCTOBER 2019	9.00-12.00			
OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2019	9.00-12.00			

For further information please follow [THE MU RESEARCH OFFICE WEBSITE](#).  
More events and research oriented activities organized by MU CEITEC you can find [HERE](#).

- Link:  
[https://is.muni.cz/auth/do/mu/tiskove\\_zpravy/A3\\_OV\\_RMU\\_semidinal.pdf](https://is.muni.cz/auth/do/mu/tiskove_zpravy/A3_OV_RMU_semidinal.pdf)



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