



Agenda

Building capacity for evidence-informed policymaking in governance and public administration in a post-pandemic Europe

22EL07 National Kick-Off Meeting
& 1st Czech Coordination Group Meeting

Prague, 10th March 2023

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Context

European societies face complex problems such as Covid-19, addressing the policy challenges of climate change and of achieving climate neutrality of EU economies, information systems vulnerable to mis- and disinformation, among others. Governments, public administrations and experts in the scientific community must join forces to address these wicked problems and help public administrations to be better equipped to design better, evidence-informed policies that will deliver public value and sustainable results for their citizens.

This project, supported by the Technical Support Instrument (TSI) by DG REFORM, aims to overcome challenges in connecting supply and demand of evidence and scientific knowledge for effective policymaking. It will help public administrations through building greater capacity for effective engagement between scientists, evaluators and policymakers. Particularly, the country component of the project involves preparing a diagnostic report, a needs assessment and roadmaps for policy implementation at the national level. These should offer pathways for promoting new and innovative approaches for sharing knowledge and improving the management and coordination of governance processes for decision-making, policymaking, rule making and budgeting to achieve greater effectiveness.

For Czechia, this project is timely. First, the country is strengthening the application of an evidence-informed approach in public administration into its National Reform Programme submitted to the Recovery and Resilience Fund. Second, an OECD Public Governance Review is working in Czechia on improving capacities for evidence-informed policymaking. Third, the government has recently developed the BETA2 programme of public procurement in research for public bodies to contract universities and companies to conduct research for them. Lastly, there are efforts to provide regulatory impact assessment and foresight exercises that are strengthening the communication between public administrations, think tanks, NGOs, and academic institutions.

The project is implemented by the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) and the OECD.

Goals

1. Formal launch of the analysis to strengthen capacity for evidence-informed policymaking in the Czech Republic in the post-pandemic Europe, as part of the multi-country project 22EL07
2. Present the scope of the project and its implications at the national level





3. Organise the 1st Czech coordination group meeting to inform about the next steps in the project

National Kick-off Meeting & 1st Czech Coordination Group Meeting -AGENDA-

Prague, 10th March 2023, 09:00-13:30 CET
Lichtenštejnský Palace

08:30 Arrival – Registration desk

09:00 Opening remarks

- Karen Blaha, [Minister for Legislation](#)
- Representative of DG REFORM

09:15 Opening keynote

[Sir Peter Gluckman](#), President of the International Science Council

09:45 Views about evidence-informed policymaking from the European Commission

[David Mair](#) (HoU JRC), Head of Unit “Science for democracy and evidence-informed policymaking”, European Commission, Joint Research Centre

10:00 Panel roundtable 1: The importance of data in evidence-informed policymaking

Chair: [Stepan Jurajda](#), Deputy Minister of Science, Research and Innovation of the Czech Republic.

- Martin Tax, Consultant, NAKIT
- Petra Guasti
- [Petr Mikeš](#), Judge of Supreme Administrative Court, Czech Republic
- [Tom de Groeve](#), Acting Head of Unit “Disaster Risk Management”, European Commission, Joint Research Centre

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 Views about evidence-informed policymaking from the OECD

Stephane Jacobzone, Senior Adviser, Public Management and Budgeting Division, OECD

11:45 Panel roundtable 2: Good international practices in evidence-informed policymaking

Chair: [Marek Havrda](#), Deputy Minister for European Affairs of the Czech Republic

- Liina Eek, Programme Manager, Estonian Research Council (ETAG)
- [Jaakko Kuosmanen](#), Academy Secretary, Finnish Academy of Science and Letters
- [Trudy Duffy](#), Principal Officer, Evidence for Policy unit, Department of Further and Higher Education, Government of Ireland
- [Frans Brom](#), Director, Netherlands Scientific Council for Government Policy (WRR)

12:45 Closing keynote





[Geoff Mulgan](#), Professor of Collective Intelligence, Public Policy and Social Innovation, University College London

13:15 Closing remarks

- Marek Havrda, Deputy Minister for European Affairs of the Czech Republic
- DG REFORM representative (**tbc**)

13:30 Lunch

15:00 END

Notes

- ✓ *This event will require a room suitable for hybrid events, possibly in official government offices.*
- ✓ *The event includes a target audience with staff from beneficiary organisations, other public administration bodies with a potential interest, invited key stakeholders (research centres, universities, national academy, learned societies, NGOs, consultancy, think tanks, etc.). It will be at the national authorities' discretion to decide to make it a fully public event (ie. open to the press or with open communication activity).*



1st Czech Coordination Group Meeting -AGENDA-

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- 15:00 Presentation of the project's objectives and outputs.** Explanation of the project and its purposes, the multi-country component, and the relevance of the work at the national level to address domestic challenges. Detailed information will be provided on the outputs regarding country analysis (diagnosis report, needs/gaps assessment, country roadmaps), the group of local experts that will support the JRC, the three types of capacity-building workshops, and the thematic symposia to promote mutual learning exchange across participating countries.

Representative(s) of DG REFORM

Representative(s) of the JRC

Representative(s) of the OECD

Local experts who will support the JRC national assessment

- 15:30 Comments and questions from the group of beneficiary organisations.** Explanation of the project and its purposes, the multi-country component, and the relevance of the work at the national level to address domestic challenges

Representative(s) of the Office of the Government of the Czech Republic (VLADA)

Representative(s) of the Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic

Representative(s) of the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic

Representative(s) of the Ministry of the Regional Development of the Czech Republic

Representative(s) of the Research, Development and Innovation Council of the Czech Republic

Representative(s) of the Technology Agency of the Czech Republic

- 16:50 Closing remarks**

- 17:00 End**

List of attendees for the CZ Coordination group meeting:

Participants		In-person/ online
DG REFORM	- Insert representative	
	- Athina MANTA, Project Officer	In-person
The JRC	- David MAIR, Head of Unit	In-person
	- Lorenzo MELCHOR, Policy Analyst	In-person
	- Kristian KRIEGER, Policy Analyst	In-person
	- Lene TOPP, Policy Analyst	Online
	- Julian KEIMER, Policy Analyst	Online
OECD	- Stéphane JACOBZONE, Senior Adviser	In-person
	- Claire SALAMA, Performance monitoring and evaluation lead	In-person
Office of the Government of the Czech Republic (VLADA)	- Marek BICAN, Assistant to the Deputy Minister for European Affairs	
	- Ales BELOHRADSKY, Head of the Unit of Advisers to the Minister for Science, Research, and Innovation	
	- Daniel KNY, Legal and Analytical Support Unit	
	- Ondrej HOFMAN, head of the Legal, Analytical Support Department	
	- Marek HVADRA, Deputy Minister for European Affairs	
	- Stepan JURAJDA, Deputy Minister for Science, Research and Innovation	
Ministry of the Interior	- Petr JIRMAN, Head of Analytical and Innovation Unit	
	- Krystina VANICKOVA	
	- David SLAMA, Director of the Department of Strategic Development and Public administration coordination	
Ministry of Industry and Trade	- Daniel VSETECKA, Director of the Department of Digital Economy and Smart Specialisation	
	- Insert second representative?	
Ministry of the Regional Development	- Radim SRSEN, Deputy Prime Minister	
	- Richard NIKISCHER, Dept of Regional and Housing Policy Strategies and Analysis	
	- Ivana KASPAROVA	
Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports (NOT A BENEFICIARY ORGANISATION)	- Stanislav VOLCIK, Head of the Working Group for cooperation of analytical units	
Research, Development and Innovation Council	- Rut BIZKOVA, Member	
	- Insert second representative?	
Technology Agency of the Czech Republic	- Eva BROZOVÁ, Director of the Section of Cross-cutting and international Agendas	
	- Martin BUNCEK	
	- Petr HORAK	
National group of experts	- Ladislav FRUEHAUF, Ceske Priority	
	- Petr BOUCHAL, Ceske Priority	
	- Jonáš KREISINGER, Ceske Priority	
	- Tomáš ČECH, Ceske Priority	
	- Alexandre REZNIKOV, Ceske Priority	
	- Arnošt VESELY, Charles University	
	- Petr WITZ, Charles University	

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