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INTEGRATED REGIONAL OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME

SUMMARY FOR THE PUBLIC

This summary is prepared annually on the basis of Article 50(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013.

The Integrated Regional Operational Programme (IROP) builds on the Integrated Operational Programme (IOP) and the regional operational programmes from the 2007-2013 programming period. IROP pursues a balanced territorial development, it seeks to upgrade the infrastructure, improve public services and public administration and to ensure sustainable development in municipalities, cities and regions.

The aim of the programme is to strengthen regional competitiveness and the quality of life of all Czech citizens. The funds available to IROP amount to EUR 5.4 billion, i.e. almost CZK 119.5 billion. The function of the IROP Managing Authority (IROP MA) is performed by the Ministry of Regional Development.



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IROP in numbers

- **92 calls** for proposals announced, offering a total of **CZK 179.6 billion**
- 13 265 grant applications submitted, worth a total of CZK 216 billion
- 3 196 applications worth a total of CZK 52.4 billion excluded due to a failure to meet the conditions of the call or to a lack of funds in the call,
- 8 252 projects for a total of CZK 133.7 billion approved,
- **legal acts issued for 7 986 projects worth CZK 128.4 billion CZK in total, i.e. 90% of the IROP allocation,**
- **CZK 51.4 billion disbursed** to the beneficiaries,
- IROP MA prepared interim requests for payment from the Commission in the amount of CZK 43.5 bil. of the ERDF funding, i.e. 35% of the IROP allocation,
- 4 486 projects for a total of CZK 50.4 billion completed.

Note: The stated values represent the entire period of IROP implementation. Unless otherwise stated, financial data are presented as a share of the total eligible expenditure (TEE).

Integrated instruments in IROP

In addition to the calls for individual projects, **calls of the integrated instruments** were announced at a rapid pace in 2019. The programme has **earmarked 26.3%** of its funds for them, i.e. **CZK 38.4 billion**.



- **Urban agglomerations implementing Integrated Territorial Investments (ITI)** announced 187 calls, in which 821 aid applications were submitted for CZK 16.4 billion in total. **543 projects worth CZK 10 billion** are already being implemented. CZK 5 billion has been disbursed, i.e. 33.1% of the total ITI allocation in IROP.
- **The urban agglomerations implementing Integrated Territorial Development Plans (IUDPs)** announced 145 calls in which 265 aid applications were submitted for CZK 4.3 billion. **189 projects in the total amount of CZK 2.8 billion** are already under implementation. CZK 1.7 million has been disbursed, i.e. 28.9% of the total ITDP allocation in IROP.
- **Local Action Groups (LAGs)** announced 1 403 calls, receiving 3 002 aid applications worth CZK 7 billion. **1 782 projects worth CZK 4 billion** are being implemented. CZK 1.7 billion has been disbursed, i.e. 21.1% of the total LAG allocation in IROP.

How does IROP specifically benefit the regions?

By the end of 2019, the support from the Integrated Regional Operational Programme helped to **upgrade 510 kilometres of roads**. **545 vehicles** were purchased for **public transport**.

With the aid from IROP, **the capacity of social services increased by 8 299 clients** and **662 facilities for social services were supported**. In the area of **social housing**, **687 flats** were supported. A total of **1 330 educational institutions** across the Czech Republic were **supported**. About a quarter of them are nursery schools, a half of them are primary schools and a quarter are secondary schools.



A total of **32 272 Czech households** reduced their energy consumption thanks to support from the IROP and improved their classification of energy consumption. So far, **22 monuments** have been **revitalized with** IROP funding and **288 information systems** have been acquired.

Compliance with the n+3 rule

In 2019, **IROP met the limit** set by the so-called n+3 rule. The rule provides that funds allocated in a given year (n) must be spent within the next 3 years. In this case, it was necessary to **absorb CZK 31 billion** (EU funds share) **by the end of 2019**. The IROP Managing Authority managed to **exceed that limit by CZK 12.5 billion**.

Revision of the IROP Programming Document

In 2019, the **third revision** was made to the IROP Programming Document. The most significant change was the **inter-programme reallocation of CZK 5.1 billion** from the Operational Programme Enterprise and Innovation for Competitiveness (OP EIC). The funds were distributed as follows: **CZK 2.5 billion went to SO 1.2 Transport** (projects on low-emission and emission-free public transport vehicles), **CZK 2 billion to SO 2.3 Healthcare** (projects in the area of follow-up care) and **CZK 693 million to SO 2.4 Education** (projects of primary schools). The changes were approved by the IROP Monitoring Committee at its 12th session on 20 November 2019.