

# EEA Grants: CZ-EDUCATION

*Cooperation on educational projects*

# DZS - Czech National Agency for International Education and Research

*We open the doors to international education through 21 programmes  
and networks*

- EEA Grants: Programme operator of the programme  
CZ-EDUCATION



# Programme CZ-EDUCATION

- financed through the EEA Grants

**Donor states:** Iceland, Norway and Liechtenstein

**Beneficiary state:** Czech Republic

**The programme supports:**

- quality teaching and learning at all levels of education
- cooperation between the Czech Republic and the donor states



# Introduction to inclusive education in the Czech Republic

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# INCLUSION AND SUPPORT OF STUDENTS WITH SEN IN CR

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# Key legal documents

- Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities (ratified in 2009)
- School Act (2004) amended in 2016
- Decree on Education of Pupils with SEN and gifted learners (2016)
- Decree on School Counselling (2005)

# Government strategic documents

- Strategy for Education Policy of the Czech Republic until 2030+
- National Action Plan on Inclusive Education
- Strategy for Combating Social Exclusion
- Implementation of DH Case Judgement

# School Act – Objectives and principles

- Equal access to education without any discrimination
- Consideration of the educational needs of the individual
- Mutual regard, respect, solidarity and dignity
- General development of the personality with an emphasis on cognitive, social, ethical, moral and spiritual values
  
- Parents select school for their child
- Local school has to accept all children from the area for compulsory education



# Students with SEN

- Student with SEN is every child that **needs support measures** to fulfill his/her educational potential and gain equal access to education.
- Support measures – **essential provisions and adjustments in education and related services** delivered to child due to his/her **health conditions, cultural background or other life conditions.**
- Support measures are **provided free of charge.**



# 5 levels of support measures

- **1. level**

**Assessment and provision** – schools and other providers of education and care (music schools, school clubs etc.)

- **2. – 5. level**

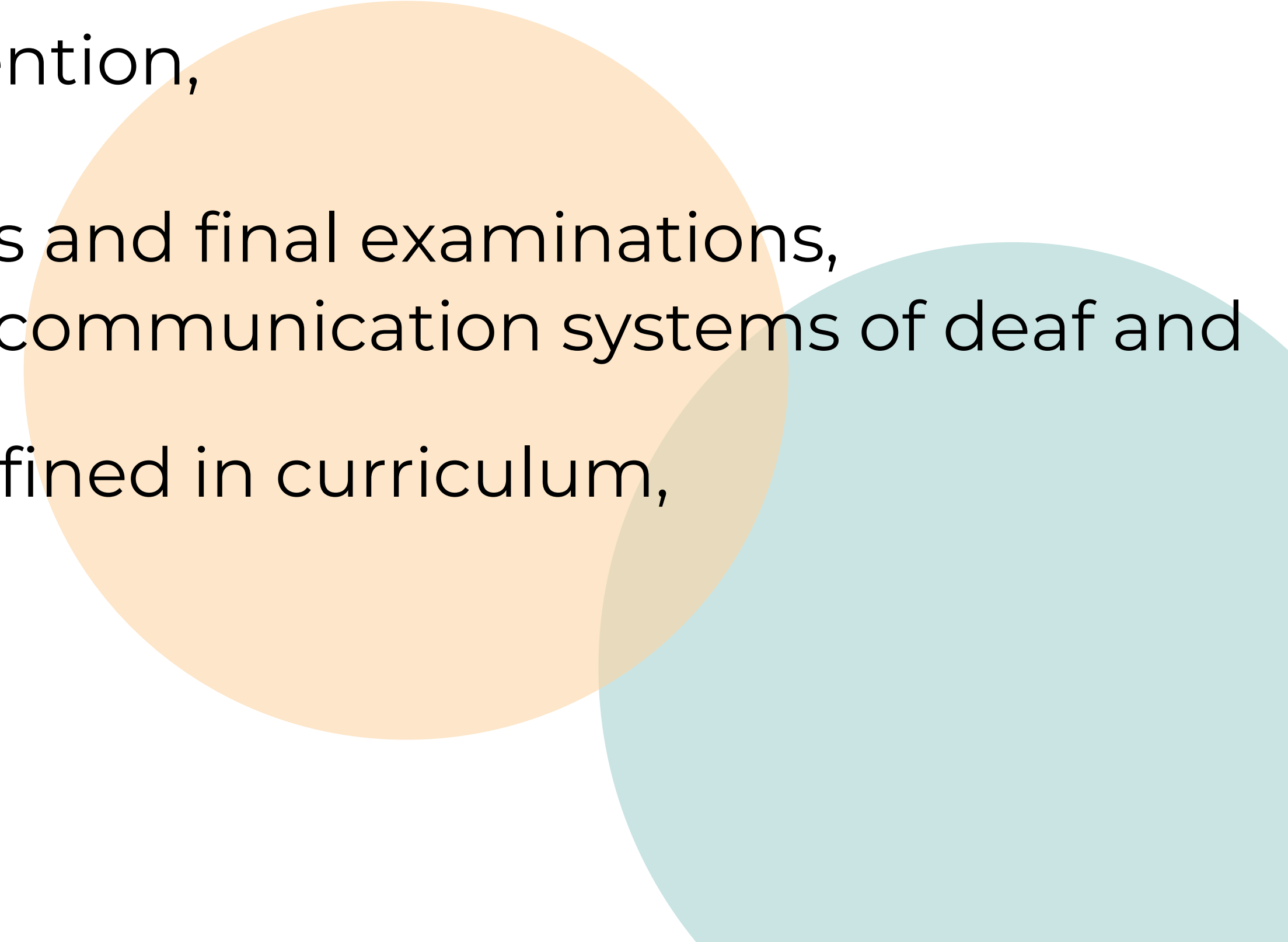
**Assessment** – School Counselling Facilities

**Provision** – schools and other providers of education and care.

Financial Support.



# Support measures - types

- Counselling services,
  - Adjustments in organisation, content, methods and forms of education and related services,
  - Adjustments in evaluation,
  - Provision of special educational intervention,
  - Provision of pedagogical intervention,
  - Adjustment in conditions of admissions and final examinations,
  - Compensation aids, special textbooks, communication systems of deaf and deaf-blind, Braille system, etc.,
  - Adjustments in expected outcomes defined in curriculum,
  - Individual Educational Plan,
  - Teacher Assistance,
  - Shadow teacher,
  - Sign language interpreting,
  - Barrierless environment.
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# Support measures 1. level

- Mild adjustments in methods, organisation and forms of education leading to support of child's educational potential.
- Formative Assessment,
- Support of talents, curriculum enrichment,
- Didactic tools and aids (funded by school),
- Adjustments in amount and content of homework.
  
- Assessment of this level of support – teachers,
- Provided according to Plan of Pedagogical Support (not obligatory),
- Evaluation after 3 months,
- If not efficient, recommendation of assessment at School Counselling Facilities follows.



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# Partnership

*The cornerstone of any project*



# All projects are bilateral

- at least one institution from a donor state must be involved in a project
- partnerships can take many forms
  - institutions of different types and orientations can be involved



# How the partnership works

## Czech institution:

- applies for the grant (on behalf of the partner too)
- concludes the grant agreement with DZS
- distributes the grant among the partners
- is responsible for the quality of the project

## Project partner:

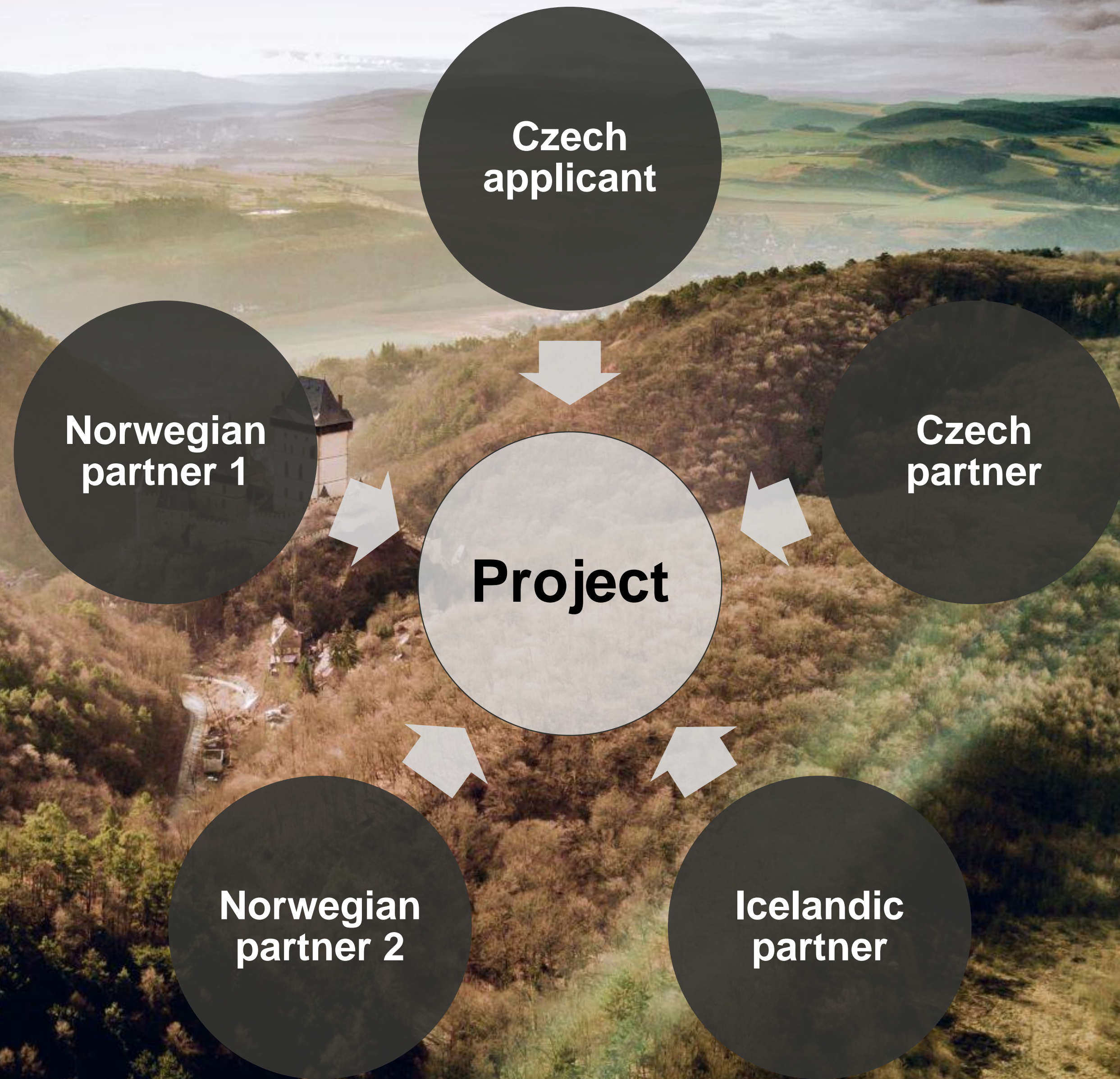
- participates in the preparation of the application
- participates in the project implementation
- is responsible for the quality of the project





Partnership possibilities:

Several partners from different countries can participate in one project



Partnership possibilities:

**One DS institution can participate in several projects at the same time**



# How to conclude a partnership

## Mandatory documents:

- before the submission of the application: *Letter of Intent*
- after the approval of the project: *Partnership agreement*



# **Institutional cooperation projects**

*Unique opportunity for all schools*



# What should the project's aim for?

- strengthening cooperation between the partner institutions
- introducing new teaching methods
- contributing to the following priorities:
  - democracy and active citizenship education
  - inclusive education



## Who can take part in the project activities?

- staff of the participating institutions

## Who will benefit from the project?

- pupils and students of the participating institutions
- staff of the participating institutions



# What can be done in the project?

- organisation of workshops enabling exchange of experiences and good practices with colleagues from abroad
- innovation of school curricula
- creation of new (joint) study programmes and courses
- preparation of teaching materials and studies

**You can either choose just one goal or combine more of them.**



# What about the money?

**Grant amount: 20 000 - 150 000 EUR**

- co-financing is not required

## What can the grant be used for?

- salaries of project staff and project management
- working trips abroad
- project promotion (including multiplier events)
- goods and services related to the project





## How long can the project be?

- 12 or 18 months

## When should the project start?

- August 1, 2022



# When is the application deadline?

- February 16, 2022 (15:00)



**Any questions?**





**Feel free to contact us!**

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