

Program



8th

Evaluation
Conference
in Prague

3–4 November 2022

Focused on Regions:

Cohesion Policy Facts
for Evidence Informed Policymaking



Program of the conference day

November 3, 2022

AVI, Pařížská 4, 110 00 Prague

8:45-9:15

Registration of participants, morning refreshments

9:15-9:30

Introduction (in Czech, English interpretation available)

- **Daniela Grabmüllerová**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Regional Development CZ
- **Jan Fluxa**, Deputy Minister for Regional Development

9:30-11:00

Evaluation as a basis for evidence-informed decision-making

Panel discussion (Czech/English interpretation available)

- **Radim Sršeň**, Deputy Minister for Regional Development
- **Karel Blaha**, Deputy Minister for Legislation
- **Štěpán Jurajda**, Deputy Minister for Science, Research and Innovation
- **Arturo Polese**, European Commission, DG REGIO
- **Renata Calak**, Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy, PL

Hosted by: **Petr Zahradník**, analyst and economic expert

11:00-11:30

Break

11:30-13:00

Cohesion policy as a tool for the development of all regions

Presentation followed by panel discussion (Czech/English interpretation available)

- **Zoltán Polyánszky**, HÉTFA Research Institute and Center for Economic and Social Analysis, HU – Is Cohesion a Matter of Percentage?
- **Jacek Pokorski** – Polish Agency for Enterprise Development – What works in catching-up regions (also during the covid-19 era)?
- **Viktor Květoň**, Charles University – Differential economic impacts of EU Cohesion Policy in various regions
- **Linda Maršíková**, Ernst & Young – Do regional policy instruments address the real needs of the regions?
- **Richard Nikischer**, Ministry of Regional Development CZ – Evaluation and research activities in the regional policy of the Czech Republic

Hosted by: **Petr Zahradník**, analyst and economic expert

13:00-14:00

Break – lunch

2 parallel afternoon sessions

AVI Great Hall, interpretation available

Large AVI classroom, in Czech only

14:00-15:00

Evaluation from the auditors' perspective (English interpretation available)

- **Jan Gregor**, Chair of the Court's Audit Quality Control Committee, ECA – Evaluating the evaluators: holding the European Commission to account through audit
- **Stanislav Bureš**, Ministry of Finance CZ, Audit Authority – The role of evaluations in the audit activity of the AA

Hosted by: **Kateřina Neveselá**, Director, Ministry of Regional Development of the Czech Republic

in Czech only Non-financial business support instruments

- **Ondřej Dvoutělý**, Prague University of Economics and Business – Non-financial instruments to support entrepreneurship
- **Miroslav Balog**, Institute for Forecasting, Centre of social and psychological sciences, Bratislava, Slovak Republic, Evaluation of the Creative Voucher Scheme on the SMEs
- **Petr Tůma**, Ministry of Industry and Trade – Less common forms of support for SMEs

Hosted by: **Ondřej Dvoutělý**, Prague University of Economics and Business

15:00-15:30

Break

15:30-17:00

The use of informed decision-making in public policies in the world and in the Czech Republic (Czech/English interpretation available)

- **Claire Salama**, Directorate for Public Administration, OECD – OECD Recommendations on Public Policy Evaluation: guidance on the institutionalisation, quality and use of evaluations
- **Alexandre Reznikow**, Czech Priorities – PANK: Making evidence and analysis work in practice

Hosted by: **Jana Drlíková**, Evaluation Unit, NCA

in Czech only Deep-dive into selected ESF evaluations

- **Simona Smrčková**, Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Czech Republic, **Miroslav Parvonič**, Czech priorities – Cost benefit analysis of socially innovative projects
- **Hana Friedlaenderová**, project evaluator, **Josef Petr**, Open Men's League – Evaluation of the therapeutic project for persons who commit violence in relationships
- **Ivana Siglová**, **Štěpán Ripka**, Platform for social housing, Verification of the effects of the Housing intervention first for families with children in the medium term

Hosted by: **Lenka Jansová**, Evaluation Unit, NCA

17:00

Closing and invitation to the next day

17:00-19:00

Informal discussions and networking

Program of the workshop day

November 4, 2022

AVI, Pařížská 4, 110 00 Prague

8:30-9:00 Registration of participants, morning refreshments

9:00-10:30	in Czech only 1. educational WS Evaluation Report: The Art of Executive Summary, Clear Structure and Readable Text Expert: Tomáš Zykán 1st part	9:00-10:30	in Czech only 2. educational WS The Most Significant Change technique Expert: Inka Bartošová 1st part
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10:30-11:00	Break	10:30-11:00	Registration of participants in Czech only Eval Café: How to set up a more effective cooperation between contracting authorities and suppliers in the field of evaluation
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11:00-12:30	Evaluation Report: The Art of Executive Summary, Clear Structure and Readable Text 2nd part	11:00-12:30	The Most Significant Change technique 2nd part	11:00-13:00	Evaluation of EU Funds in the 2021–2027 programming period vision of evaluation units Experts: representatives of evaluation units of managing authorities and NCA Hosted by: Tomáš Novotný
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12:30-13:30	Break - lunch	13:00-14:00	Break - lunch
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13:30-15:00	Evaluation Report: The Art of Executive Summary, Clear Structure and Readable Text 3rd part	13:30-15:00	The Most Significant Change technique 3rd part	14:00-15:00	Contracting authorities' requirements from evaluation contractors' perspective 1st part Experts: representatives of evaluation contractors Hosted by: Martin Nekola in Czech only
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15:00-15:30	Break	15:30-17:00	Evaluation Report: The Art of Executive Summary, Clear Structure and Readable Text 4th part	15:30-17:00	The Most Significant Change technique 4th part	15:30-17:00	Contracting authorities' requirements from evaluation contractors' perspective 2nd part
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