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Factsheet for case CZ-2020-13/310

Czech Network

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Type	Social dialogue
Category	Re-orientation of business activities – Matching / networking
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Background information

The Czech network platform was established by CzechInvest Agency, the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic (Ministerstvo průmyslu a obchodu České republiky, MPO ČR), Office of the Government of the Czech Republic (Úřad vlády České republiky) and other ministries (Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic, Ministerstvo zdravotnictví České republiky, MZ ČR) and other entities, with the support of the Confederation of Industry of the Czech Republic (Svaz průmyslu a dopravy České republiky, SP ČR). The platform combines innovations and modern information and communication technologies.

The platform is in operation thanks to collaboration between the government, scientists, universities, communities and the private sector. It is operationally based on the current needs of society, which are changing due to the necessary measures implemented in the context of the coronavirus pandemic.

The website of the platform provides information on help, products and services, both commercial and non-commercial, which can be helpful in case of need - for citizens and for companies. Every company or organisation with activity, which can help during state of emergency, can join the platform.

Content of measure

Currently, the platform includes the following technologies and services for companies and public in general, e. g.:

- BusinessInfo.cz and chatbot – a portal for businesses and sole proprietors managed by CzechTrade. Among other things, the portal provides answers to the most frequently asked questions.

- CoVpoint, the website operated by CzechInvest where companies' supply and demand in connection with protective equipment and more can be found in one place.
- Data proti COVID (Data against COVID) – an activity of Czech technology companies and IT enthusiasts through which CZK 10,000,000 (EUR 363,636 approx.) was collected among people for respiratory ventilators.
- NakupBezpecne.cz (BuySafe.cz) – platform that enables fast and easy establishment of an online supermarket store. It is based on technology provided by the Czech second-largest online grocer Rohlik.cz.
- Pomoc sousedům (Help Neighbors) – a project that enables volunteers to assist seniors with, for example, shopping and staying informed.

Other services provided through the platform are available here: <https://czechnetwork.org/>

Use of measure

Currently, the platform provides 21 technologies and services and it is supposed that the number will increase.

Actors, target groups and funding

Actors	Target groups	Funding
National government Employers' organisations Company / Companies Other social actors (e.g. NGOs) Local / regional government	Self-employed Older people Disabled All companies Companies providing essential services One person or microenterprises Larger corporations	National funds

Social partners

Role of social partners	Consulted
Form of involvement	Direct consultation

The network runs with the support of SP ČR.

Sectors and occupations

This case is not sector-specific.

This case is not occupation-specific.

Sources

- 25 March 2020: CzechInvest spouští platformu Spojujeme Česko (www.czechinvest.org)
- 07 April 2020: Czech Network (czechnetwork.org)