

GOVERNMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC



RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

No. 287 of 26 March 2008

on the draft Reform of the Research, Development and Innovation System in the
Czech Republic

The Government

I. **approves** the Reform of the research, development and innovation system in the Czech Republic contained in Part III of the document Ref. No.346/08 (hereinafter referred to as the “Reform”);

II. **imposes**

1. upon the Prime Minister and Chairman of the Research & Development Council to project the Reform into:

a) the proposed expenditures of the state budget of the Czech Republic on research and development with outlook for 2010-2011 and submit the proposal to the Government by 31 May 2008;

b) the proposed amendment to Act No. 130/2002 Coll. on the support of research and development from public funds and on the amendment to some related acts (Act on the Support of Research and Development) and its implementing and related regulations, and submit the proposal to the Government by 30 June 2008;

c) the proposal of changes in the state administration of research, development and innovation not requiring any adaptation of legal regulations and submit the proposal to the Government by 30 September 2008;

d) the draft concept of the Information System of Research, Development and Innovation and submit the draft to the Government by 31 October 2008;

2. upon the Minister of Education, Youth and Sport in co-operation with the Prime Minister and Chairman of the Research & Development Council to project the Reform into:

a) the draft Operational Programme Research and Development for Innovation and submit the draft to the Government by 30 April 2008;

b) implementing documents to the Operational Programme Research and Development for Innovation and submit them for binding discussion to the Research & Development Council by 30 June 2008;

3. upon the members of the Government and heads of other central bodies of state administration, who are providers of state support to research and development, the President of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic and the Chairman of the Grant Agency of the Czech Republic:

a) not to make any new commitments to the state budget expenditures for 2011 and following years for the programmes of applied research and development, with the exception of programmes approved by the Government Resolution Nos. 680 of 18 June 2007, 942 of 22 August 2007, 114 of 4 February 2008 and 171 of 25 February 2008;

b) to enable beneficiaries of the institutional support for the five years research plans ending in 2008 – 2009 to ask for extension of their solution to seven years in accordance with Section 9 of Act on the Support of Research and Development;

c) to submit to the Prime Minister and Chairman of the Research and Development Council the Reform-based proposal for organisation of the state administration in research, development and innovation within their competencies by 30 June 2008;

4. upon the Minister of Education, Youth and Sport:

a) to submit to the Government by 30 June 2008 the draft interdepartmental Reform-based concept of international collaboration in research and development of the Czech Republic by 2015;

b) to submit to the Government by 30 November 2008 the draft interdepartmental Reform-based concept of support of large research and development infrastructures;

c) to lay down conditions for extending the solution of projects in the programme of R&D support Research Centres and enable the projects that meet these conditions to be solved until 2011;

5. upon the Minister of Interior to submit to the Government by 30 June 2008 the draft interdepartmental Reform-based concept of the security research and development until 2015;

6. upon the Minister of Culture to submit to the Government by 30 November 2008 the draft interdepartmental Reform-based concept of the applied research and development of national and cultural identity until 2015;

7. upon the Minister of Defence to submit to the Government by 30 November 2008 the draft Reform-based concept of the applied defence research and development until 2015;

8. upon the Minister of Agriculture to submit to the Government by 30 November 2008 the draft Reform-based concept of the applied agricultural research and development until 2015;

9. upon the Minister of Health to submit to the Government by 30 November 2008 the draft Reform-based concept of applied healthcare research and development until 2015 supported from the state budget up to 100 per cent;

10. upon the Prime Minister and Chairman of the Research & Development Council in co-operation with the Minister of Education, Youth and Sport to submit to the Government by 31 March 2009 the Reform-based proposal for the National Research, Development and Innovation Policy of the Czech Republic for 2009 – 2015;

III. **deletes** the point II 2b) of the Government Resolution No. 644 of 23 June 2004 on the evaluation of research and development and its results.

To be carried out by:

members of the Government

heads of other central bodies of the state administration

President of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic

Chairman of the Grant Agency of the Czech Republic

The Prime Minister
Ing. Mirek Topolánek, m.p.