

CENTRAL 2022 CALL FOR PROPOSAL – Annual Theme

I. General information

The CENTRAL strategic group - Charles University, Humboldt University in Berlin, University of Vienna, University of Warsaw and ELTE University in Budapest - primarily promotes cooperation in the fields of teaching, research and support for young researchers. In connection with the opening of the second stage of the cooperation, CENTRAL announces a special topic followed by further activities for each academic year. Each of these topics has had wider social or political importance, especially within the context of Central Europe. The goal is for academics from different countries, backgrounds and areas of study to come up with multilateral ideas and solutions. This year's theme goes **“Central Europe: What unites and divides us”**. The topic may be dealt with freely; on one hand it may be interpreted as a social issue, while on the other hand it can be understood as a ground for presentation of outputs in the field of scientific and pedagogical cooperation within the Central European region.

II. Activities may take the following forms

	a) conference
	b) online conference
	c) lecture
	d) series of lectures
	e) podcast
	f) summer school

III. Financing Terms

The limit per a project/activity is CZK 80,000	
Method of financing	Transfer of resources from the SP fund – CSP transfers the total amount of all approved projects to the faculty in advance. The transfer is supported by a (stamped and signed) Project Summary Statement of the SP fund. The faculties obtain the same table in an Excel file in order to record drawdowns of the funds.
	Keeping records of drawdowns – Financial recordkeeping takes place at the faculty level only. The faculty is also responsible in terms of audits. The faculty submits to the Centre for Strategic Partnership only the above-mentioned statement including the actual amounts drawn down. The faculty sends a copy of the summary statement including the drawdowns overview to the CSP.
Eligible costs:	i) Travel costs, subsistence allowance and accommodation costs of CU employees travelling abroad in the amount of the basic rate of foreign subsistence allowance according to the valid decree; ii) Travel costs, accommodation costs, subsistence allowance and out-of-pocket expenses of foreign partners

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> iii) Remuneration to visiting professors; iv) Remuneration to CU employees and foreign lecturers; a) remunerations for offline or online activities (such as preparation of a joint scientific project, preparation and organization of (online) teaching, lectures, conferences, etc.) b) in terms of a joint research project or training program preparation the remunerations are intended for principal investigators. Their payment is conditional to the submission of a project or to development of a specific joint training program with a strategic/key partner c) when preparing an offline or online conference, the remuneration may be paid to the main organizer d) remuneration for offline and online lectures or courses goes to both foreign and CU academics who participate therein. Any such lecture must be announced in advance on the faculty or university website; v) Catering/refreshments at conferences and workshops; vi) Materials – only if being of long-term value (conference proceedings, etc.), not overhead costs. As far as joint publications or proceedings of international conferences are concerned, the remuneration may be paid to the team leader or the academic in charge of the joint publication. The remuneration is primarily intended to cover expenses for compilation of the publication and, as the case may be, the authors' work. The funds are not intended for translation of such publications;
Non Eligible costs:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Investment costs (computers, licences, etc.); ii) Overheads; iii) Economic activity; iv) Alcoholic beverages.
<p>We ask you to send final reports immediately upon closing/billing of each project, i.e. on a on-going basis.</p>	

IV. Terms

Opening the Call for Proposals	December 6, 2021
Deadline for submitting a proposal at the faculty level	depends on each Faculty
Deadline for submitting a proposal at RUK	February 28, 2022
Notification of successful researchers	March 18, 2022
Implementation of activities and accounting	June 30, 2023