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| **The Final Report of the Programme EXCELES (LX) 2022-2025** | |
| **Project ID:** | **LX22NPO510x** |
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Instructions for the content and submission of the project’s final report[[1]](#footnote-1)

The final report of the EXCELES programme (LX) for the period 2022-2025 (report), as defined in Article 8, paragraph 5, letter b) of the contract for the provision of support of the project (contract), contains a summary evaluation and an overview of the results and outputs achieved by the project with regard to the set objectives, as well as an overview of the financial support provided for the project via programme LX. The final report consists of two separate sections: I. Interim Report (Section I - PZP-2025) prepared in accordance with Article 8, paragraph 5, letter a) of the grant agreement, and II. Final Evaluation of the project implementation in 2022-2025 (Section II - ZZP). The detailed structure is provided below. The content of PZP-2025 in Section I remains essentially unchanged from previous years, i.e. it is submitted in Czech and reports on the progress achieved over the past calendar year. Section II. (ZZP) reports on the implementation of the project throughout its duration. It is submitted to the grantor in English and will also be submitted by the grantor to expert reviewers for evaluation, unless otherwise specified in its individual annexes.

Strictly comply with the outline of the ZZP in Section II prescribed below in this form; please do not delete any of the individual headings even if the assessed fact is not relevant to your project- justify this fact verbally (e.g. with the text "not planned"). Consistently identify (e.g. annex no.) all annexes and number their individual pages (format "page"/"numberpages"). In each paragraph, provide only specific examples of activities carried out and their impact (if information about them is available on the project website or elsewhere on the internet, it is sufficient to provide the name and a functional hyperlink). Do not list outputs and results, except for the three most significant ones for the fulfilment of the given objective in the given priority research area, unless otherwise stated – a list of results and outputs is recorded by the grantor.

In the table of contents listed below in this document, please list all its parts and annexes. Always mark the files with your project ID according to the template (LX22NPO510x-ZZP.docx, and the annexes as LX22NPO510x-ZZP-anx1.docx/xlsx, …). If the attachment is completed separately by individual project participants, use the same designation supplemented by the project participant designation ("u"), in the order specified in Article 6, paragraph 4 of the contract. An annex without a participant designation indicates that it is a document "for the entire project," i.e. containing information from all project participants.

**The above informative text can be deleted before submitting or printing the final version.**

Contents of the final report

I. The Interim report on the implementation of the EXCELES (LX) programme for 2025 (PZP-2025)

*This section is submitted in Czech in a separate file, and it is not a subject of evaluation by an external reviewer.*

**II. The Final evaluation of the project implementation in 2022-2025 (ZZP)**

Mandatory annexes to the ZZP:

Annex 1 ZZP – ISAB Annual and Final Evaluation Report – 2025 (LX22NPO510x-ZZP-anx1\_ISAB-finalreport.docx/pdf)

Annex 2 ZZP – Bibliometric analysis (LX22NPO510x-ZZP-anx2-bibliometrix.docx/pdf) – contains a bibliometric analysis focused on the supported priority area of R&D&I with an assessment of the change in the quality of publication outputs of the national scientific authority compared to the initial state in 2021, including its conclusions and identification of the metrics used.

Annex 3 ZZP – Sustainability (LX22NPO510x-anx3-udrzitelnost-2025.xlsx) - contains a form with input information on sustainability. This annex is submitted in Czech and it is not a subject of evaluation by an external reviewer.

Optional annexes:

e. g. Annex 4 ZZP - …

# Final evaluation of the project implementation in 2022-2025

This section of the final report (ZZP) contains summary information on the progress achieved in the selected priority area of R&D&I. The fulfilment of the set objectives is evaluated in relation to the initial state defined by the beneficiary in the project proposal in 2022. This report contains information only on the most significant results and outputs of the project illustrating the fulfilment of the objectives, as all research results generated by this project are mandatorily registered at the national level and information about them is made available to the public through the Register of Research and Development Results (RIV), which is part of the Research, Development and Innovation Information System (IS VaVaI). This system includes not only information on the results but also on the project finances. The information is made available under the project ID in the Central Project Register (CEP) - see (insert a functional hyperlink directly to your project in IS VaVaI here).

## General information about the established national scientific authority (“NSA”)

### A1. NSA research portfolio

Specification of the areas of NSA research in the supported priority research area and a clear identification of the research topics

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### A2. NSA website

1. URL link

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1. A summary of the content of the NSA website and a clear navigation diagram of published information

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### A3. Organisational structure of the NSA (valid as of December 31, 2025); professional and economic management of research

1. The organizational chart that was functional during the last year of the project solution and a description of the management method if it is not clear from the chart

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1. Concise description of the optimization changes in the organizational chart compared to the original project proposal

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1. The organizational chart for the sustainability period if it differs from the one above

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### A4. Integration of the NSA into participating research organizations and links to their management structures

*Describe the links to the organizational and management structures of the participating research organizations and the method of the NSA financial management in relation to their institutional budgets.*

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### A5. Support provided for project implementation

*Enter the amounts specified in the latest effective amendment to the contract in millions of CZK, rounded to one decimal place.*

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| **Year** | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | **Total** |
| **Total amount of support**  **(mio CZK)** |  |  |  |  |  |
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## Fulfilment of project objectives

### Sub-objective a) Achieving and maintaining European level of excellence in oriented research

1. Summary of the results of the bibliometric analysis conducted for the supported priority area of R&D&I

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1. Change/progress in the production and quality of publication results compared to the initial state (according to the project proposal, or the beginning of 2022) in international comparison

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1. Change/progress in the production and quality of non-publication results compared to the initial state (according to the project proposal, or the beginning of 2022)

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1. Three most significant publication results (provide the title and a functional link to information about it in a trustworthy repository)

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1. Up to three most significant non-publication results or outputs (provide the title and a functional link to information about it in a trustworthy repository, if there is a record of it or its metadata)

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1. Benefits of the creation of NSA for the field of study, i.e., for scientific knowledge in the R&D&I priority area in international context, possible influence on research trends abroad (give a specific example)

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1. Socioeconomic impacts of the creation of the NSA, i.e., its social relevance

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### Sub-objective: b) Strengthening interinstitutional, interdisciplinary, and interregional cooperation and the quality of national research through further growth in international cooperation

*Critical assessment of changes/progress compared to the initial state at the beginning of 2022 – in the overview, provide specific examples of activities and their outputs and impacts, supported by data.*

1. Contribution of the project to strengthening interinstitutional cooperation in the supported R&D&I priority area

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1. Contribution of the project to strengthening interdisciplinary cooperation in the supported R&D&I priority area

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1. Contribution of the project to strengthening interregional cooperation in the supported R&D&I priority area

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1. Contribution of the project to strengthening the internationalization of the Czech Republic in the supported priority area of R&D&I

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1. The ability of the NSA to utilize the capacities of large research infrastructures (ESFRI) - Provide a specific example and, if applicable, a reference to the best output

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### Sub-objective: c) deepening skills, scientific education, and support for the younger generation of researchers, including ensuring high-quality working conditions

1. Forms of scientific education applied in the NSA beyond the standards of participating research organizations (specific examples)

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1. Individual support for early-stage researchers in the NSA beyond the standards of participating research organizations (specific examples)

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1. Changes in the quality working conditions compared to the initial state (2021 or early 2022) in the participating research organizations

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### Sub-objective: d) Strengthening the relevance of research outputs or supplementing existing knowledge by considering the gender perspective

1. Critical assessment of changes/progress compared to the initial situation (provide specific steps, examples of good practice, and new procedures that have led to gender issues being considered in research practice)

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1. Identified positives of incorporating a gender perspective into research practice in the supported priority area of R&D

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1. Complications identified in achieving the objective of incorporating a gender perspective into research practice in the supported priority area of R&D&I

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### Sub-objective: e) Modernization and development of research infrastructure and capacities, including ensuring expert information capacities and mechanisms for the protection and sharing of results and scientific data obtained

1. Modernization and development of research infrastructure and capacities (List up to 3 of the most significant specific cases that contributed to achieving and maintaining excellence in the supported R&D&I priority area)

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1. Mechanisms for protecting intellectual property and sharing results and scientific data obtained within the NSA

*Provide specific examples of protecting and sharing. Briefly describe how the capacities of expert information staff are secured and indicate the range of capacities that are necessary for the sustainability period and the extent to which they are secured.*

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1. Coordination of the scientific data sharing and cooperation of the NSA with external institutions, including existing international platforms and networks in the field (provide examples and functional hyperlinks to them, if available)

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### Sub-objective: f) Integration of the national scientific authority into the existing R&D&I system in the Czech Republic and ensuring its sustainability

1. Concise description of key links (examples and forms of cooperation) with other research organizations and ways of ensuring those links during the sustainability period, in relation to the NSA management structure described above in section A3. a)

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1. The current concept of cooperation between the consortium and public authorities. Concise description of the key links (examples and forms of cooperation) with public authorities (also indicate their role in the Czech Republic if this is not evident from the name). Methods used to ensure the links for the sustainability period

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1. Concise description of key links (examples and forms of cooperation) with other entities not mentioned above and their maintaining during the sustainability period

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1. Concise description of the key forms of communication aimed at professionals and the general public, in particular the method of media presentation and dissemination of the results and outputs of the NSA project in the supported R&D&I area. Provide three specific examples

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1. Ensuring the sustainability of the NSA organizational and administrative management

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1. Ensuring the financial and economic sustainability of the NSA, including a description of the mechanism for financing joint activities

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1. Assessment of the ability to secure funding to maintain the scientific portfolio created within the project

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1. Instructions in Czech is available in the Instructions for Completing the Final Report of the LX Project (LX-pokyny-zaver-zprava.pdf). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)