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# National Youth Policy 2014 – 2020 (Czech Republic)

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## Aims and core elements

Fundamental document for implementation of the state youth policy

- This strategic document was approved by the Government of the Czech Republic on 12th May 2014
- The primary target group for National Youth Policy is **youth between 13 and 30 years of age**

**Special feature is a strong EU linkage**, because the development of the National Youth Strategy was positively influenced by the EU Youth Strategy itself as well as by its implementation instruments.

The priority areas of the EU Youth Strategy (8 thematic fields and its order) were taken as the basis for elaboration of the strategic goals.

The **key element is cross-sectoral basis** for targeting youth issues through youth policy.

## Strategic goals

- **SG 1: To facilitate equal access of children and youth to rights**
- **SG 2: To facilitate equal access of children and youth to information**
- **SG 3: To create favourable and sustainable conditions for the participation of children and youth in leisure-based and non-formal education**
- **SG 4: To expand and make more attractive the offer of leisure-time activities and to motivate children and youth to make active use of them**
- **SG 5: To support the increase of cross-border mobility of young people**
- **SG 6: To improve conditions for employment and employability of youth**
- **SG 7: To promote comprehensive and harmonic development of children and youth with emphasis on their physical and mental health and moral responsibility**
- **SG 8: To promote active involvement of children and young people in decision-making processes and in influencing the social and democratic life**
- **SG 9: To create favourable conditions for volunteering for young people including valuation and recognition of voluntary activities**
- **SG 10: To facilitate inclusion of children and young people with fewer opportunities**
- **SG 11: To motivate children and youth towards a life based on the principles of sustainable development and to develop their environmental literacy**
- **SG 12: To encourage the development of competencies in children and young people for safe and creative use of media**
- **SG 13: To offer children and young people a variety of paths to culture, art and traditions**

## Development process

- **Analysis** (SWOT), especially EU Youth Report 2011 and the respective CZ national report
- **Peer learning activities** on cross-sectoral youth policies (DE, LU/LV)
- **International cooperation** with V4 and EaP countries and input from expert group of EC
- **National Youth Conference** (2013)
- Representatives of involved ministries, regional authorities and municipalities were members of **13 thematic cross-sectoral working groups** working on strategic and operational goals as well as measures
- **Permanent cooperation** with „speakers“ of youth sector such as national youth council, national children and youth parliaments on implementation

## Involving young people to the process

- National Youth Conference (2013, 2017)
- Representatives of young people in 13 thematic cross-sectoral working groups working on strategic and operational goals as well as measures
- Recommendations from national reports on SD

## Current state of affairs

### MID-TERM EVALUATION :

Qualitative report, will be submitted to the Government *for information* by April 30, 2017

- **Cross-sectoral cooperation and evaluation** ( 10 Ministries)
- **National Conference on Youth** (1st of March)
- **Youth research development** (development of youth policy indicators for trends on youth – „Youth in Numbers )
- **Development of youth work quality system** (priorities of Grant Schemes of Youth Department)
- **Focus on topic inclusion in the youth sector** (expert group on linking youth work to social work)



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