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CATRIN

Czech Advanced
Technology and Research
Institute

Best practice in HEU grants - CATRIN experience

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Let me introduce myself..



2021 – today

- Head of Grant office
- Czech Advanced Technology and Research Institute, Palacký University Olomouc

2018 – 2020

- Grant policy coordinator
- Regional Centre of Advanced Technologies and Materials, Faculty of Science, Palacký University Olomouc

2017 – 2018

- Technology transfer specialist - junior, Marketing manager
- Technology transfer office, Univerzita Pardubice

2015 – 2017

- International Projects Consultant
- BIC Brno, spol. s.r.o.

2012 – 2015

- Project manager, Pre-award support for H2020 projects
- NETME Centre, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Brno University of Technology

2005 – 2012 (Master's degree, Ph.D. not completed)

- Human geography and regional development
- Masaryk University, Faculty of Science, Department of Geography



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CATRIN at Palacký University Olomouc



CATRIN research divisions



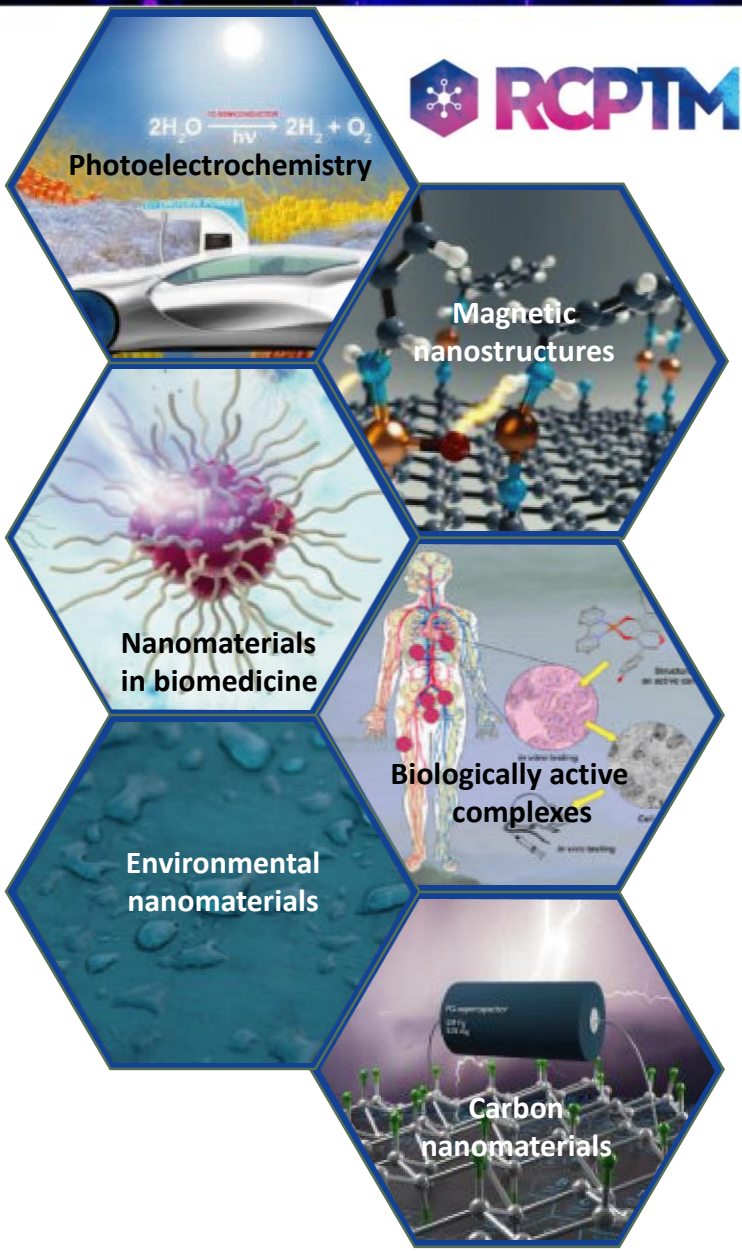
Nanotechnologies



Biotechnologies

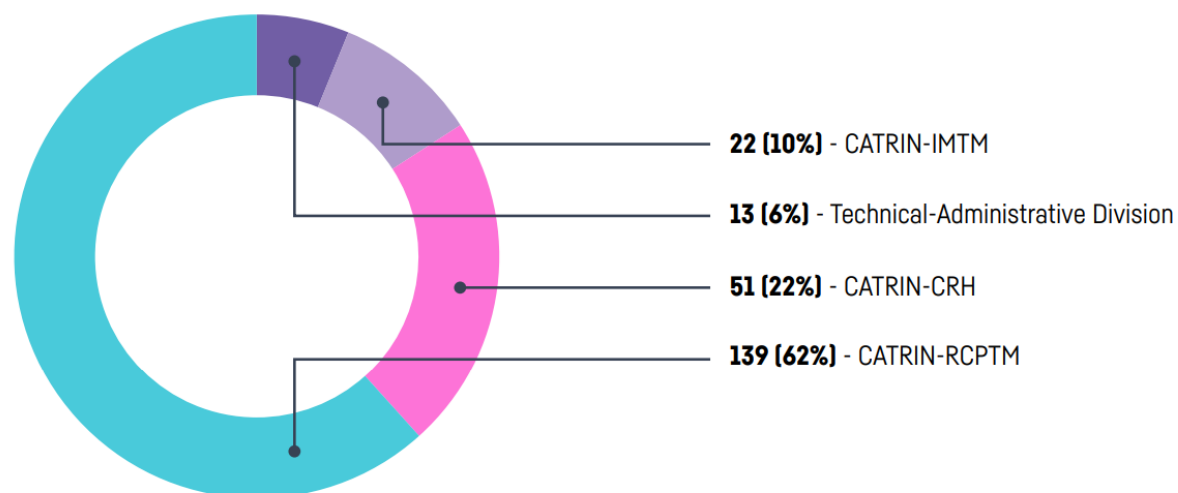


Biomedicine

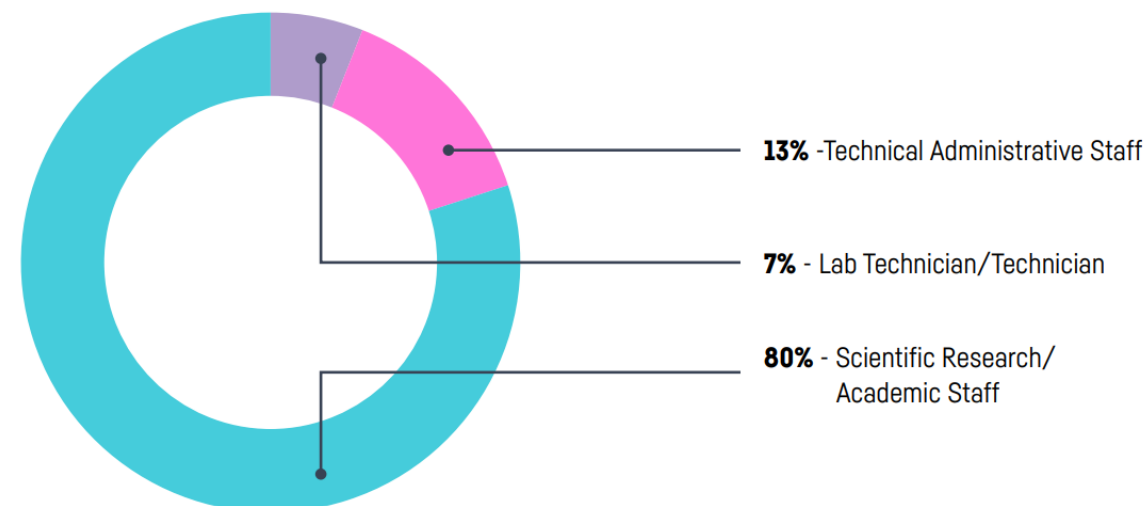


Employees in 2021

The Number of CATRIN's Employees by 31 December 2021



The Structure of CATRIN's Employees by 31 December 2021



Budget and research Projects in 2021

- Total budget of CATRIN in 2021 7.6 mil EUR
 - 5.3 mil EUR – competitive research grants (69.2%)
 - 2.0 mil EUR – institutional subsidy (26.4%)
 - 0.3 mil EUR – commercial income, services, license fees etc.

Our journey towards H2020/HEU grants since 2010

MOTIVATION



FRUSTRATION

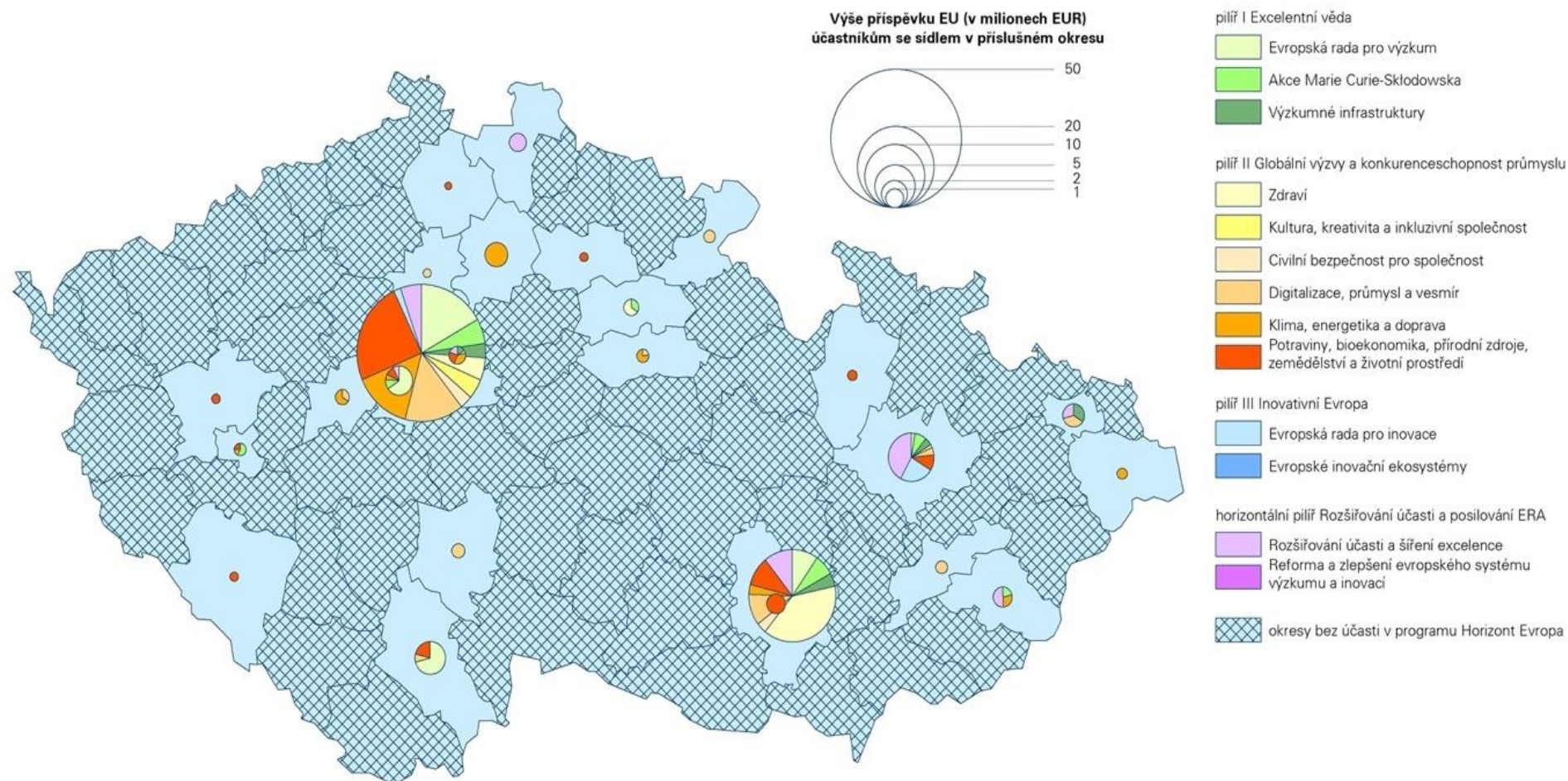
ERC Consolidator

ERC PoC
Twinning

EIC Transition
ERC PoC
Twinning (2x)
MSCA-PF

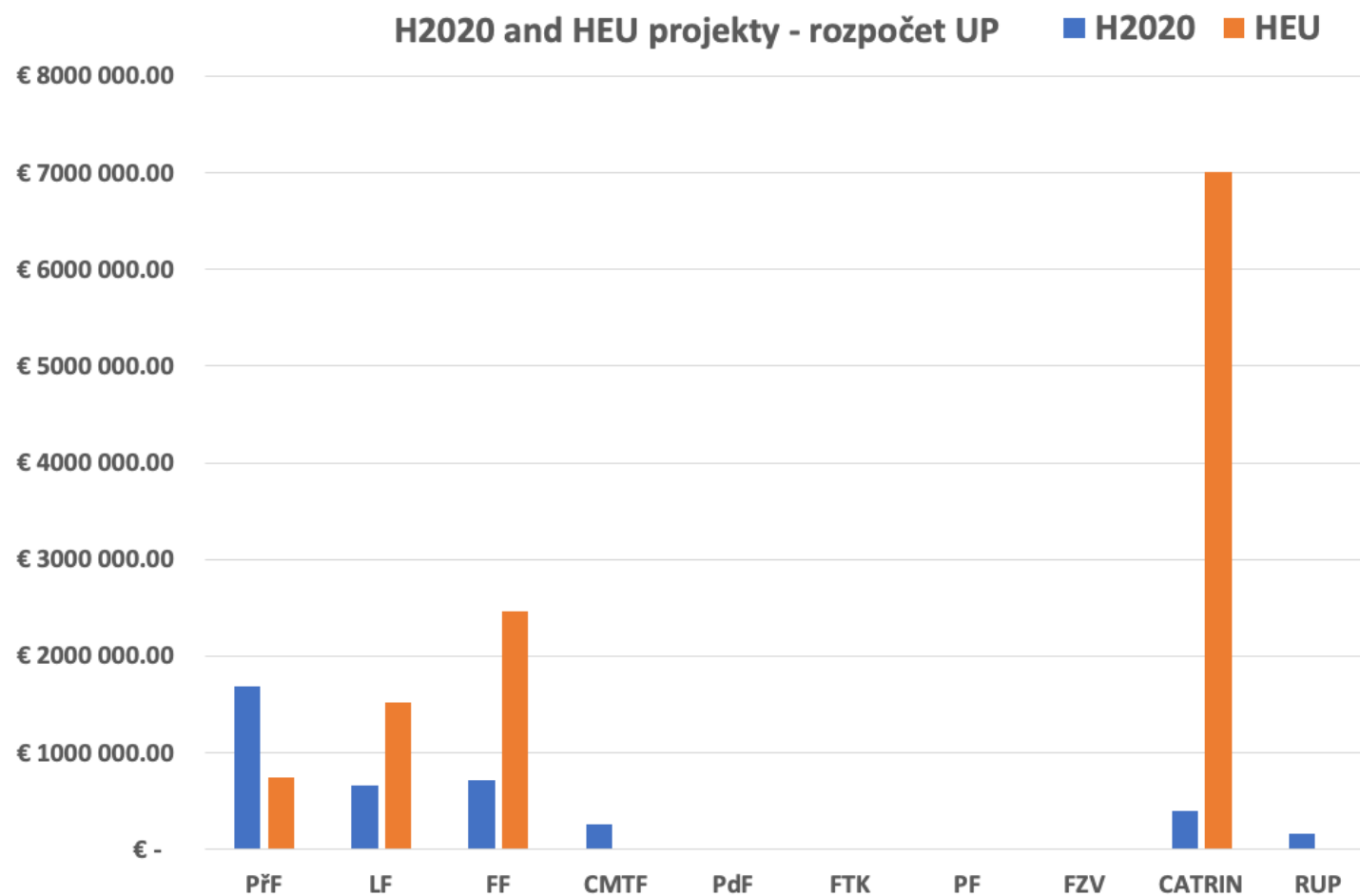
ERA Chair
ERC Advanced
RIA CL6 (2x)
RIA CL4
Hop On
ERA Talents
ERA Fellowship (2x)

DISTRIBUCE FINANČNÍHO PŘÍSPĚVKU EU ÚČASTNÍKŮM PROGRAMU HORIZONT EVROPA Z ČR PODLE OKRESŮ k 27. červenci 2022



Zdroj: Evropská komise - eCORTA - 27. července 2022
Zpracoval: Vladimír Vojtěch, TC AV ČR, 24. srpna 2022

H2020/HEU grants at UP in 2022



Pre-award and post-award support for researchers at CATRIN

- **Project service** at the Rectorate (LEAR, PLSIGH, PFSIGN)
- **Grant office** (CATRIN) – 2,5 FTE
 - Pre-award support for national and international research grants
 - Sharing information on funding opportunities
 - Consultations on project proposal preparation (structure, budget, templates, proof-reading)
 - Projects submission and evidence
- **Post-award support** (CATRIN divisions RCPTM, CRH, IMTM) – ca 10 FTE
 - Implementation of national and international research grants
- **Secretaries** (CATRIN research groups)
 - Daily agenda, including the one connected with projects (travel orders, consumables, invoices etc.)

How do we work with researchers?

- **GO Digest** – summary of grant funding opportunities (quarterly)
- **MS Teams**
- **Emails**, when something interesting pops up
- Head of Grant office is invited to **Director meetings with group leaders**
- **HEU Project plans** for Research groups (when WP is published)
- **Individual consultations**
- **Seminars:** MSCA-PF, GACR, General on HEU
 - Project service (only in Czech)
 - TC AV (one BIG THANK YOU!)

Lessons learned

- **Motivation + Leadership + Resistance to frustration**
- **Clearly communicated priority** by management (consistent regular progress control)
- OP VVV grants -> It is up to you to get the money for your group
- **International partnerships** focused on HEU projects participation, not only scientific collaborations
- **Internal sharing of experience** and templates of successful projects

Mutual respect between Researchers, Directors and Grant office is a KEY ASPECT =>

Know your additional value and find someone, who will see it first.

Others will join them.

Any questions?

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