

Fund for Bilateral Relations

EEA and Norway Grants 2014-2021 Czech Republic

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Fund for Bilateral Relations

- reducing social and economic disparities
- strengthening the bilateral relations between the three Donor States and the Czech Republic

Modalities

- programme level (MoU) – institutional cooperation
- project level – donor project partnerships
- flexible funds – open calls, pre-defined initiatives



Joint Committee for Bilateral Funds (JCBF)

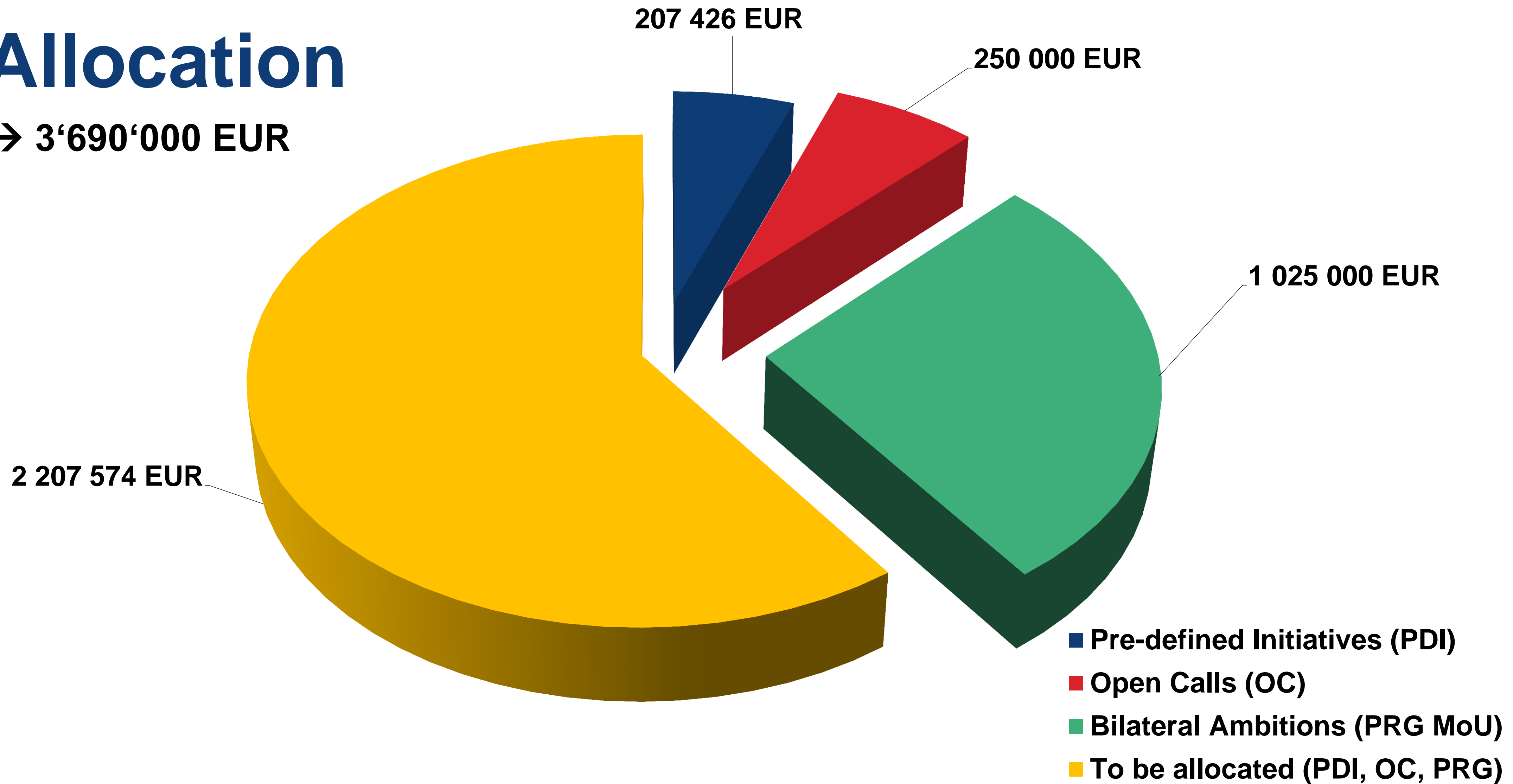
- oversee the strategic approach to the bilateral objective
- allocate funds for bilateral relations to programmes of bilateral interest / identify PDI proposals
- assess the OC grant applications and PDIs

-  **CZ NFP**
-  **NO MFA**
-  **IS MFA**
-  **LI MFA**
-  **CZ MFA**



Allocation

→ 3'690'000 EUR



PDI overview

- 🇳🇴 June 2018: **Study trip to Norway**: How to present traumatic parts of national history’
→ to gain practical experiences and seek inspiration regarding the planned memorial in Lety.
- 🇧🇪 September and October 2018: Gymnasiums in Brno and Vaduz – **CZ-LI school exchange** (annually 2018-2024).
- 🇧🇪 Financial support of **CZ-LI Commission of Historians** (in timeframe 2018-2024).

Approx. 28 400 EUR committed so far (out of 207 000 EUR allocated to the PDIs).



1st Open Call for proposals

- 250,000 EUR
- August 2018 to January 2019 (5 months), rolling call
- 32 applications submitted:
 - 17 approved (mainly study trips, workshops, meetings), average grant amount 14'700 EUR
 - 14 rejected (11 due to the lack of allocation)
 - 1 withdrawn (re-submitted)

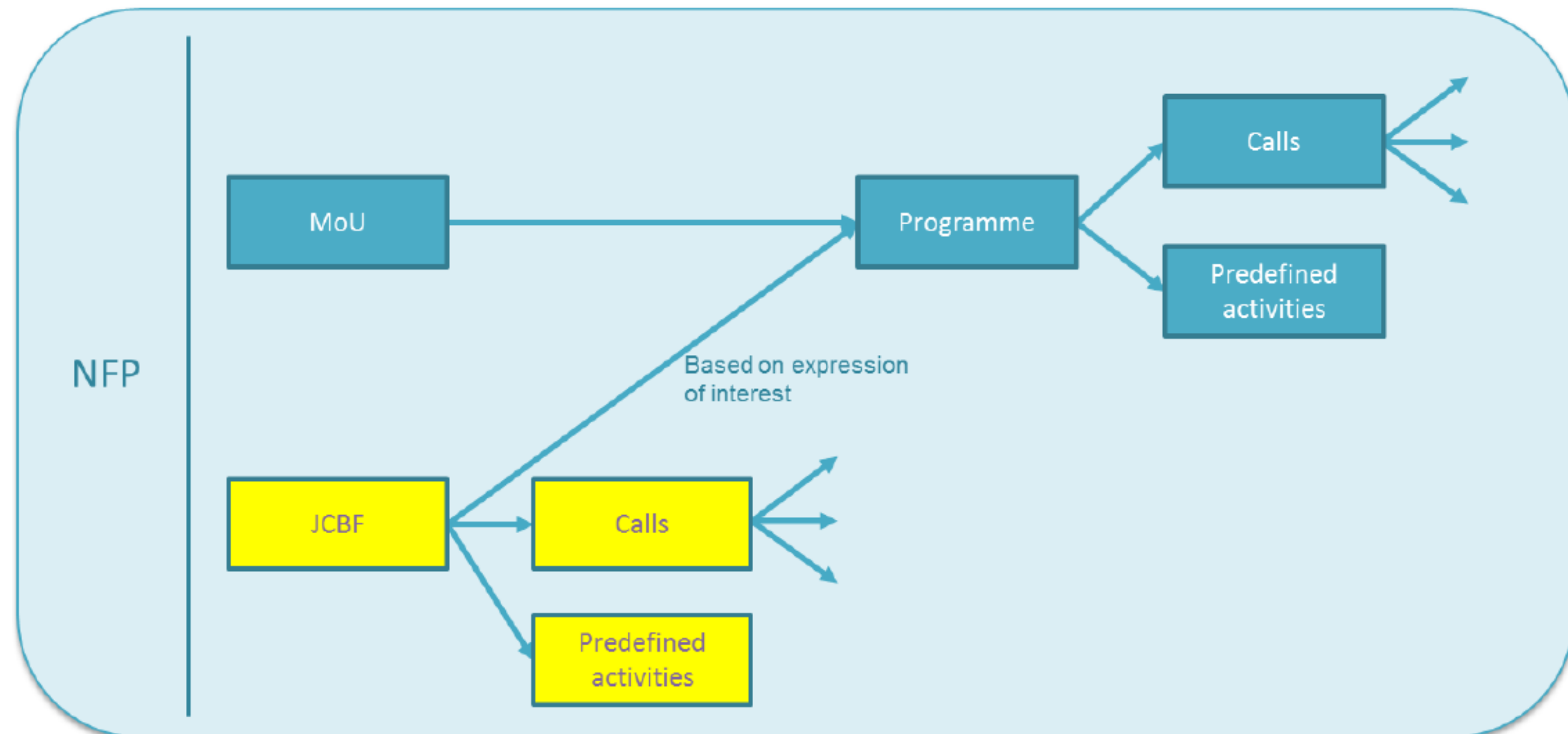
- 2nd open call envisaged in Q2 2019, details tbd by the JCBF



Bilateral relations under programmes

Bilateral Ambitions

- allocated through the MoU
- managed by the POs
- described in the CN
- agreed in the CC.



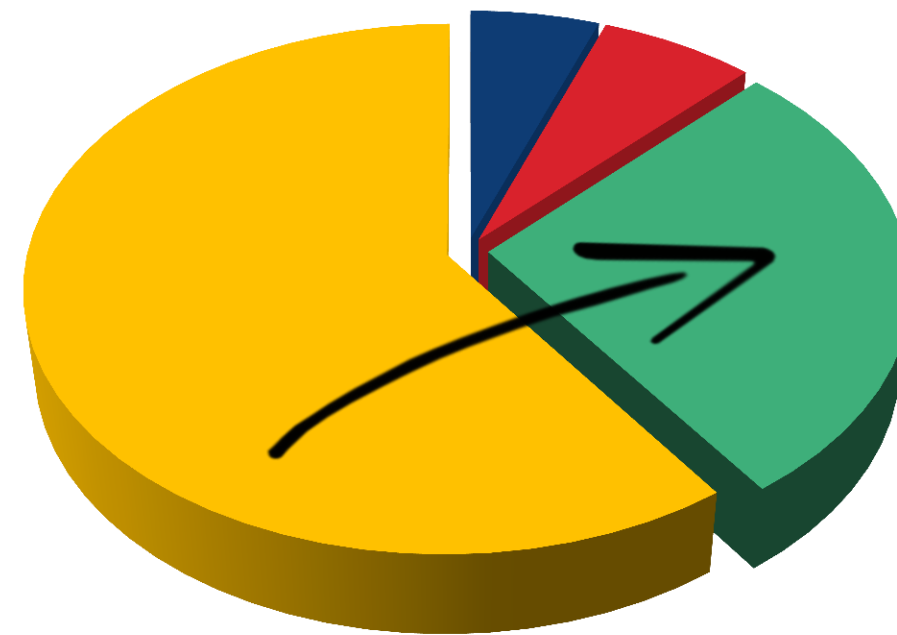
MoUs allocation: 1,025,000 EUR / 3,690,000 EUR

Implemented: PDP preparations, seminars, round tables with partners

Planned: match-making seminars, seed money calls, institutional coop.

Bilateral relations under programmes

- Expression of interest: the PO shall outline how it intends to use and manage the funds requested (IT system CEDR).
- Following assessment, the JCBF allocates funds to PRGs of bilateral interest.



Thank you for you attention!

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