

Membership Agreement

Registration DZS Number SML/2026/0048

The following constitutes the terms and conditions of the membership agreement between **CZECH NATIONAL AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION AND RESEARCH (DZS)**, the Member (hereafter "**CZECH LIAISON OFFICE FOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH (DZS|CZELO)**"), the Member, and Science Business Publishing International srl, the Producer. By signing this agreement, DZS|CZELO agrees to renew its institutional membership of the Science|Business Network and in return will receive the benefits described below.

ACCESS

- Participation for the Member's representatives in all physical or online events designated by the Producer as Science|Business Network events. These shall number no fewer than six per year, and may be more. The Member is entitled to one place at any private Network event, and two free tickets for any Science|Business public event. See also the Producer's online calendar at www.sciencebusiness.net/events.
- It is understood that the purpose of these events is primarily networking and information sharing. The Producer is solely responsible for setting guidelines regarding the use, citation or confidentiality of information imparted at the events. If more than two representatives of the Member organisation wish to attend any public Science|Business Network event, the Producer reserves the right to charge a supplemental fee.
- Participation of up to two of the Member's representatives in the Framework Programme working group of the Network. Participation in other Network focus/consultation groups are at the discretion of the Producer, and special terms may apply, including contribution of additional resources.
- The Producer may from time to time organise non-Network events, for a particular client or partner. The Member may request access to such events, but is not entitled to it by this agreement.
- Free access to all of our online content, archives and publications, including the Science|Business Funding Newswire service.

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- A senior Member representative will be eligible for participation as a panellist, speaker or featured guest in at least one Science|Business Network event per year, subject to the Producer's discretion on appropriateness or format for that particular event. The Member representative will be profiled in the corresponding event marketing materials.
- An unlimited number of news items and announcements from the Member may be (re)published on www.sciencebusiness.net, and in the Producer's weekly newsletter, if judged relevant by the Producer's editorial team.
- The Producer has the sole right to prepare reports, documents or news from its Network events or working/consultation groups. While it welcomes input from the Member, the Producer will exercise its sole editorial discretion on whether it will include or reflect any of that input in its reports, documents or news. It is agreed that any such reports, documents or news are statements of the Producer only, and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Member.
- The Producer holds the copyright for all news, reports or other documents that its own editorial team writes and publishes under the Science|Business name, in whatever format or territory. In parallel, it does not claim copyright under any circumstances over any of the Member's materials or reports.
- The Producer will grant the Member a free licence for re-publication and use of its published news, reports or other documents provided the Producer is credited as source, and the Member does not accept payment from any third party for their use. In turn, the Producer will credit the Member when it is the source of information included in its news, reports or other published documents.

BRANDING

- The Member's logo/name will be posted on the landing page of the "Network" section on the Producer's website (www.sciencebusiness.net/network), with click-through to the URL of the Member's choice. The Member will also receive a dedicated institutional profile page in this section.
- The Member's logo/name will feature on Network communications, documents and online pages.
- The Member has available 4 weeks per year to post online advertising banners on the Producer's website (www.sciencebusiness.net), and 2 weeks per year to post online advertising banners in the Producer's newsletter. Dates should be booked at least a month in advance and materials should be provided by the Member the week preceding the campaign.
- The Member may also request to advertise professional vacancies in the Jobs section of the Producer's homepage.

WIDENING INITIATIVE

By signing this agreement, DZS|CZELO also agrees to renew its membership to the Science|Business Widening initiative group, a dedicated track of activities that seeks to highlight excellence in R&I in the Widening regions, and to help bridge the innovation gap with the rest of the EU. The initiative brings together a select number of public, private and scientific institutions and provides a multi-stakeholder communication platform to inform wider European debates on the central theme. Through its participation in this group, the Member will receive the following benefits:

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- The Member will work with Science|Business to build and shape the Widening initiative
- News items and announcements from the Member that are relevant to the initiative-related topics may be (re)published as "Network update" on www.sciencebusiness.net, and in the Producer's fortnightly Widening newsletter, if judged relevant by the Producer's editorial team.
- The Producer has the sole right to prepare reports, documents or news from its Widening events or working/consultation groups. While it welcomes input from the Member, the Producer will exercise its sole editorial discretion on whether it will include or reflect any of that input in its reports, documents or news. It is agreed that any such reports, documents or news are statements of the Producer only, and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Member.
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- Access with 2 seats in the Widening Group closed-door meetings that support Science|Business in shaping the Group's agenda and activities (e.g. topics and location of events, discussions on the Widening programme, up to 8 closed-door meetings per year)
- Access with 2 seats to all Widening public conferences, panel sessions or closed-door roundtables (minimum 3 per year)
- Senior representation in at least one S|B Widening event per year as a panelist, a speaker or a featured guest who will be profiled in the corresponding event and marketing materials
- Free access with one seat to the Science|Business annual conference
- Access with 1 seat for a senior representative to the S|B annual network presidents' dinner
- Institutional access to all Science|Business online news content and publications, including the Science|Business Funding Newswire, a specialised weekly news service to help researchers and stakeholders navigate the EU and international research funding landscape

BRANDING

- The logo/name of the Member will be posted on the dedicated Science|Business page on the Science|Business website (www.sciencebusiness.net/widening), with click-through to the URL of the Member's website.

TERMS

- Institutional Member of the Science|Business Network and Widening for **12 months**, starting from **1 April 2026** at a rate of **€14,000**, plus VAT if applicable.
- 100% payment within 30 days of invoice date.
- Prior to the expiration of this period, if the Member chooses to renew its membership, it can do so by sending written confirmation to the Producer, with existing benefits, terms and conditions automatically extended into a new membership period. Applicable fees will be those effective at the renewal date.
- The Producer represents and warrants that in connection with rendering the above-described services, the Producer will comply with all applicable EU data protection and privacy regulations.
- This agreement is subject to Belgian law.

Signed on behalf of **Science|Business** by:

Name: Maryline Fiaschi

Title: Chief Executive Officer

Tel:

Email:

Signature: ...

24/03/2026

Date:

We hereby confirm the renewal of our institutional membership of the Science|Business Network, as per the terms listed above.

Signed on behalf of **DZS|CZELO** by:

Name: Michal Uhl

Title: Director

Tel:

Email: Invoicing

Address: Na Poříčí 1035/4, 110 00 Praha 1, Czech Republic **VAT Number:**

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Signature:

Date:23.3.2026.....

The execution of this letter of agreement and its receipt by **Science|Business** is deemed conclusive evidence of the applicant's agreement to pay the full fees due from that moment. The application is non-rescindable.

Please email **one scanned copy**, duly signed, to:
XXXX@sciencebusiness.net

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