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Student Entrepreneurship in Europe









# Specific of starting a business in the Czech Republic



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#### A.

# Legal basis for starting a business





## 1) Attributes and certificates of proficiency necessary for a young entrepreneur







#### How to start the business

In case of irregulated trade you need:

- •18 years of age,
- •clean criminal record,
- legal capacity and
- •no debts to insurance companies or state.





#### **Education and experience**

•Unqualified trade **doesn't require** any education or professional experience.

•For other types (craft or regulated) of trade, it is necessary to *fullfil requirements* of chosen field.





## **Equity capital**

- •Founders (owner, partners) **invest** their **money**, **property** into their company.
- It is the capital of the owner (or owners) who is responsible for business risks.
- Total share is an indicator of the financial security of the business.





## 2) Legal form of a company for young entrepreneurs (the forms most commonly used by young founders)



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## Trades

#### A. Notifiable trades

1) **craft**: training in a specific field required or 6 years of experience in these activities or occupations *e.g.: blacksmithing, plumbing, cosmetic services* ..

- 2) **regulated**: abided by special conditions of professional competence, *e.g.: driving schools* ...
- 3) **unqualified**: qualifications not required, only criminal records, *e.g.: different brokers, common business activities* ..







**B.** <u>Licensed trades</u> - license required e.g.: weapons production, currency exchange, taxi service, funeral service, private investigators, travel agency, etc.



Corporations 1) Limited liability company

- minimum contribution only 1,- CZK (Czech crown) (since 2004),
- may be formed by **1 person**, can have **up to 50** members,
- it is the *most common form* of small and mediumsized enterprises,
- partners are liable jointly and severally for the debts of the company up to the sum of the contributions of all partners.







#### 2) Joint-stock company

- •the registered capital of the company is divided into a number of shares with a nominal value,
- minimum capital of 2,000.000,- CZK,
- •it can be founded by a single person,
- •the company is liable for its obligations with its property,
- a **shareholder** is not liable for the obligations of the company.







## 3) Limited partnership

## 4) <u>Copartnership</u> (= Public company limited)

these types are not usually used by young entrepreneurs





## 3) Types of taxes and fees to be paid

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- a) <u>Social insurance</u> 6.5% of the employee's gross salary, 25% of all gross wages.
- b) <u>Health insurance</u> 4.5% of the employee's gross salary, 9% of all gross wages.
- **c)** <u>**Trade licence**</u> 1.000,- CZK fee.



d) <u>Value added tax (VAT)</u> - monthly tax return has to be filled out.

e) <u>Income tax</u> - for individuals it's 15% of the super-gross wage and 19% for legal entities.

f) <u>Road tax</u> - for anyone who uses a motor vehicle.





## 4) Commercial register







Commercial Register must include all legal norms, in accordance with the law.

Basic information about companies:

- address
- authorized representatives
- incorporation number
- tax identification number
- VAT registration
- business activities







## 5) Accounting principles compulsory for start-up companies







#### What to do?

1) Entre into a contract / partnership agreement (at notary office, to certify the contract) 2) Deposit money (some companies require just 1, - CZK – e.g. *limited company – Inc.)* 3) Certificate of Incorporation **4)** Accounting entry (e.g. associates' deposits)

According to Chart of accounts you can bill particular transactions (e.g. purchase goods, goods sale, minor repairs etc.)

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## B.

## **Types of funding** which can be utilized by young entrepreneurs

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#### 1) Family and relatives

#### 2) Banks

#### 3) EU subsidies

#### 4) Loans







#### 5) Private investors

6) Own resources7) Grant application



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# Start-up costs of the foundation

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Registered capital
 (200.000,- CZK)

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- 2) Cost of a <u>contract</u> (*in the case* of limited company) + costs of
  copies and other notarial fees
- 3) <u>stamp</u> of the Trade LicensingOffice







4) fee to a notary for <u>entry in the</u>
 <u>Commercial Register</u>

5) Notary service fee

6) fee for <u>entry in the Commercial</u>

**Register** 





## D.

## Authorities required to be contacted and informed about the foundation









#### We need to contact:

#### **Tax Office**

#### **District Social Security Administration**



**Health insurer** 







#### When can we start a business?

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#### **Individual** can start a business **on the day of notification** of a trade.

(The Trade Licensing Office will enter your application in the Trade Register within 5 days and provide you with confirmation of registration.)

Legal entity can start on the date of registration in the Commercial Register.

If it is registered and has an **identification number**, it can start on the date of announcement.



## E.

## Current development of data about enterprise-foundation in the Czech Republic











1. Studying regulations.

2. Preparing documentation.

3. Drawing up a **contract** at the notary.

4. Registered capital deposit.

5. Obtaining documents.









- 6. Notification of trade.
- 7. Commercial register application.
- 8. Opening a business account.
- 9. Registration at the Tax Office.
- 10. Copy of a company entry in the Commercial
  - register.







## F.

## Young entrepreneurs in the Czech Republic





- •For young people, it is much *safer* to become an employee rather than to start his/her own business.
- There are many *clubs* where young entrepreneurs can **meet** other young people, entrepreneurs who can **share** their **experience**. They can also get useful **contacts**.
- These centres provide various educational and networking *activities, workshops* and *trainings*.





• So-called *Coffee talks* – leading businessmen share experience with young people.

- Project *Young Business* main goal is to introduce business as an alternative to an employment relationship and to support the intention of young people to start their own business.
- The project also introduces the possibility of socalled *crowdfunding* = fund hunting through addressing the public.





#### Thank you for your attention! Class 3.A

