

# The Risks of Reforming Doctoral Studies<sup>1</sup>

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## Summary

The system of financing doctoral studies in the Czech Republic has long been inefficient. A reform currently underway<sup>2</sup> aims to significantly increase the efficiency of the system. In this short text, we draw attention to potential problems associated with the distribution of public financial support for doctoral studies among universities. It would be problematic to distribute support based predominantly on degree completion rates. Allocation of public support for doctoral studies should take into account the results of evaluations of the quality of science produced by universities and their success in career placement of graduates, in addition to justifiable national disciplinary priorities.

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