



OP Research, Development and Education (OP RDE)

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OP RDE - Selection of suitable specific objectives



- There are only two specific objectives which show sufficient potential for pilot testing of the financial instrument:
 - **2.1.1. Improving the quality of education at universities and its relevance for the needs of the labour market**
 - **2.1.5. Improving the conditions for education related to research and for the development of human resources in research and development**



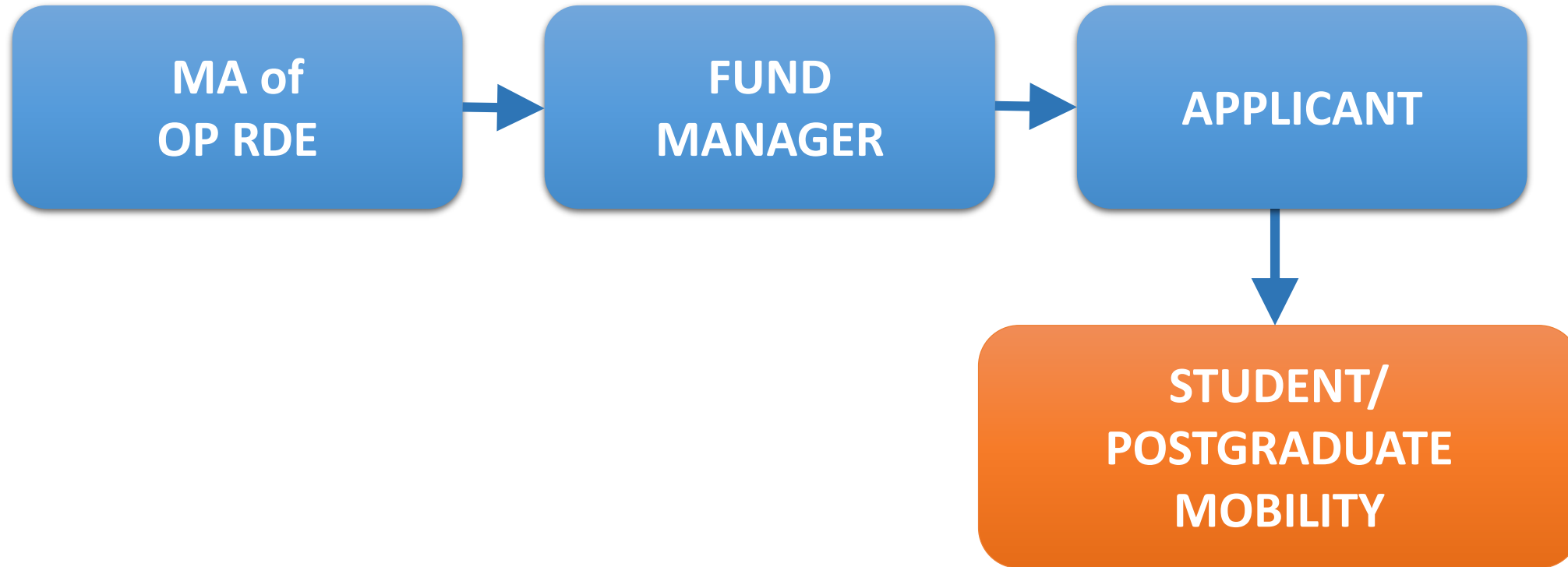
OP RDE - Features of the FI



- **Interest-free loans** for **university students** and **young researchers** (postdocs)
- Earmarked for **student mobility**
- Expected range from **CZK 20,000** to **CZK 500,000**
- Maximum maturity of **7 years**
- Total allocation of approximately **CZK 100 million**



OP RDE - Implementation structure



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OP RDE - FI from the final recipient's perspective



- **More advantageous interest rate** than commercial bank loans
- **Enabling complementary funding for mobility activities**
- **Support for study abroad**
- **Reducing family dependence** through the possibility of obtaining a loan without a guarantee



OP RDE - Current status



- **Fund manager will be selected in public procurement**
- **Tender conditions are currently being prepared**
- Time schedule of **selection – 3 – 4Q 2019**
- **Funding agreement with the fund manager – 2019/2020**



