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THE CZECH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES SUPPORTS SCIENTISTS IN UKRAINE

The Czech Academy of Sciences is planning to offer support in the form of fellowships to university students, postdoctoral researchers and scientists working in the territory of invaded Ukraine.

The Czech Academy of Sciences supports the statement of the Prime Minister of the Czech Republic on the development of the situation in Ukraine and condemns the acts of aggression of the Russian Federation against the territorial integrity and political order of Ukraine, which culminated in the invasion today in the morning hours.

“Scholars cannot remain silent in the face of a war on the territory of Europe. We stand on the side of respect of human rights, freedoms and democracy. We express our full support and lend a helping hand to our colleagues in Ukraine,” says Eva Zažímalová, President of the Czech Academy of Sciences.

“We are therefore addressing academics and university students from Ukraine and other countries threatened by the war conflict through a new programme of international cooperation that is currently being finalised. Similar programmes are also being prepared by individual institutes of the Czech Academy of Sciences,” says David Honys, member of the Academic Council of the CAS, who coordinates international cooperation of the Czech Academy of Sciences.

The Czech Academy of Sciences is currently cooperating with the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (NASU), established in 1918, on six projects, including the study on virus resistance of potato transgenic plants (the Institute of Experimental Botany of the CAS), research on organic matter in coastal soils of Antarctica (Biological Centre of the CAS) or polymer composites for welding and 3D printing (Institute of Macromolecular Chemistry of the CAS).

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