

EUROPEAN VALUES THINK-TANK

2018 ANNUAL REPORT



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In 2018, we focused on threats of Russian influence, mass migration, and Islamic extremism. At the same time, Chinese strategic information campaigns have become increasingly weighty concern to the Czech Republic's internal security.

The mission of our organization is to help build Czech Republic's defence against the major security threats that jeopardise our way of governing and living in a liberal democracy. Thus, we prioritized submitting political recommendations and consultations for Czech and foreign public institutions, instead of the breadth of our presence on social networks or in the Czech media space.

Russian and Chinese dictatorships are increasingly attempting to influence the Czech Republic, which means attacking our sovereignty and political independence. We do not face military coercion, yet our despotic foes have bought off some Czech politicians and perniciously exert pressure through disinformation or economic or extremist projects. Our institution's role is to help create counter-pressure against these hostile efforts, because we believe, like our president, that this country is ours.

While we fight against the efforts of non-democratic regimes to undermine the independence of our country's leaders, it is vital to remember that our continent must also confront Islamic extremism, which poses a major internal security threat for many of our Western European allies. We incorporate their methodology to build an effective Czech counterterror strategy.

In summary, we are critical contributors to the security and vitality of freedom in the Czech Republic.



Jakub Janda
Executive Director of the European Values Think-Tank

EUROPEAN VALUES THINK-TANK IN 2018

Our activities focused on defending liberal democracy were primarily carried out by three strategic programs: the Kremlin Watch Program, the Internal Security Program and the Educational program “I Live in a Democracy”.

KREMLIN WATCH PROGRAM: THE THREAT OF DISINFORMATION AND HOSTILE INFLUENCE OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

We have managed to keep the topic of Kremlin-authored propaganda on the public, political and governmental agenda in the Czech Republic and hence in Europe. We created a full scope strategy which recommends concrete steps European states should take to counter the long arm of authoritarian regimes – and were the only Czech non-governmental agency to do so. It has gained the respect of leading policy makers and experts in security institutions. Several of our recommendations have been adapted as legislative proposals by deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic and lay at the heart of debates in the Chamber of Deputies.

Our expertise is internationally sought after. In 2018, we presented our activities and recommendations and offered consultations to government and non-governmental experts at no less than **28 public and closed events in more than 17 countries**, including Germany, France and the USA.

Major foreign media are interested in our work and recommendations. In 2018, the Kremlin Watch Program and its creators enjoyed **400 references in both international and Czech media**, in printed and online versions.

We have explained the threat of disinformation operations to members of **state institutions of Norway, Lithuania, the USA, the European Union and NATO**, among others. We are considered one of the **best think-tanks in Europe addressing this threat**.

As the only non-governmental institution, we publish an annual assessment of EU Member States which classifies them on how seriously they perceive the threat of Russian influence operations and disinformation campaigns and recommend measures to stave them off. We are making Prague a centre of resistance to Kremlin's hostile influence. We organized **STRATCOM SUMMIT**

2018, a meeting of allied experts from three continents in Prague, which focused specifically on disinformation and influence operations. At this conference, we welcomed **200 participants representing 30 countries**, including the US or Singapore. During the STRATCOM SUMMIT, our work was broadly commended, and notably by Petr Pavel, the General of the Army of the Czech Republic, at that time **chairman of the NATO Military Committee**.

Kremlin Watch publications for 2018:

- [The Prague Manual](#)
- [Contemporary Influence Of The Russian Orthodox Church Within The “Autocephalous” Orthodox Church Of The Czech Lands And Slovakia](#)
- [External Propaganda In The Republic Of Moldova: Lessons For The Moldovan Government And The International Community](#)
- [Russia's Disinformation Activities And Counter-Measures: Lessons From Georgia](#)
- [Influence Of Russian Disinformation Operations: Specific Examples In Data And Numbers](#) (German Version: [Einfluss Russischer Desinformationsoperationen: Konkrete Beispiele Und Zahlen](#))
- [2018 Ranking Of Countermeasures By The Eu28 To The Kremlin's Subversion Operations](#)
- [The Czech President Searching For The Novichok In The Czech Republic](#)
- [The Role Of The Kremlin's Influence And Disinformation In The Czech Presidential Elections](#)
- [Activities Of Czech President Miloš Zeman As The Kremlin'S Trojan Horse](#)

INTERNAL SECURITY PROGRAM: PROTECTION FROM ISLAMIC EXTREMISM

The Internal Security Program (formerly the Program for Cohesive Society) is a joint project of the European Values Think-Tank and the Centre CONFIDENT CZECHIA. We guide Czech and European security institutions toward prescriptions to improve the defence of our society against Islamic extremism, mass immigration, and the consequences of poor integration of immigrants.

In 2018, we [opened a critical dialogue](#) in the Czech Republic on the introduction of a ban on veiling the face in public to stem the wearing of burqas and niqabs inherent in **Salafism**. We championed the fight against illegal migration and political Islam, both top priorities of Austria's Presidency of the EU, to prepare concrete recommendations for European governments.

In cooperation with specialists on Islamism from security forces and non-governmental think-tanks, we have developed a [Full-Scale Framework for Countering Islamic Extremism in Liberal Democracies](#). We have proposed a system of concrete measures that European states should take particularly in Africa to prevent the [migration crisis from reoccurring](#) and to tackle the issue of mass migration to Europe.

Together with our governmental and non-governmental partners across Europe, we have organized a **series of consultations and roundtables** to prepare our recommendations, and to deliver them to key policymakers and civil servants. In addition to Prague, we presented our findings in **Brussels, Berlin, Warsaw, and Budapest**.

Our greatest accomplishment in engaging experts' engagement was organizing the 4th annual [HOMEAFFAIRS](#) International Security Forum, which has become a traditional platform for **strategic discussion between security professionals** in government and non-governmental think-tanks. We welcomed 98 participants from 20 countries, who discussed our recommendations in 13 different fora within 3 days.

We have also published an array of non-public analyses, documents, and recommendations for politicians and government specialists, including ones on the **integration of foreigners into a country's value system** or the identification of symbols and publications of Islamic extremists. We have published 16 issues of [HOMEAFFAIRS Briefing](#) for a thousand leading

European security specialists in Europe, summarizing the most important recommendations on tackling Islamic extremism and mass immigration.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM "I LIVE IN A DEMOCRACY": RESPONSIBLE CITIZENSHIP AND MEDIA LITERACY IN THE REGIONS OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Our first meeting with high school students took place in 2015 as a part of the debating series "The Price of Freedom". Since the school year 2016/2017, we have been realizing the program "I Live in a Democracy". In 2018, we visited **36 high schools and universities and organized 41 events where we addressed 1,061 students and more than 40 teachers**. Our training program actively cooperated with personas such as Kateřina Šimáčková (Constitutional Court judge), Petr Kolář (former Ambassador in the US or Russia), General Petr Pavel (former Chairman of the NATO Military Committee) and Silvie Lauder (editor of the RESPEKT weekly).

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INFOGRAPHIC

EVENTS

We organised nearly 30 closed briefings and roundtables for both Czech and foreign security institutions' representatives.

STRATCOM Summit 2018 (unlisted event)

200 participants from 30 countries, 40 speakers

Training Program 2018 (unlisted event)

35 participants, 11 countries, 11 speakers

HOMEAFFAIRS Internal Security Forum Prague 2018 (closed event)

98 participants, 20 countries

Educational Program "I Live in a Democracy"

36 schools, 41 events, 1061 participants, 22 speakers, 17 towns



10 unlisted events in different European cities.

MEDIA

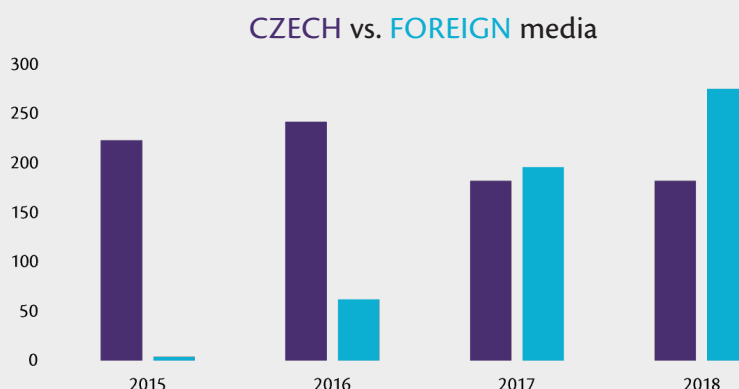
457 mentions and references**

373 appearances in online media

19 appearances in printed media

26 appearances on TV

17 appearances in radio programs



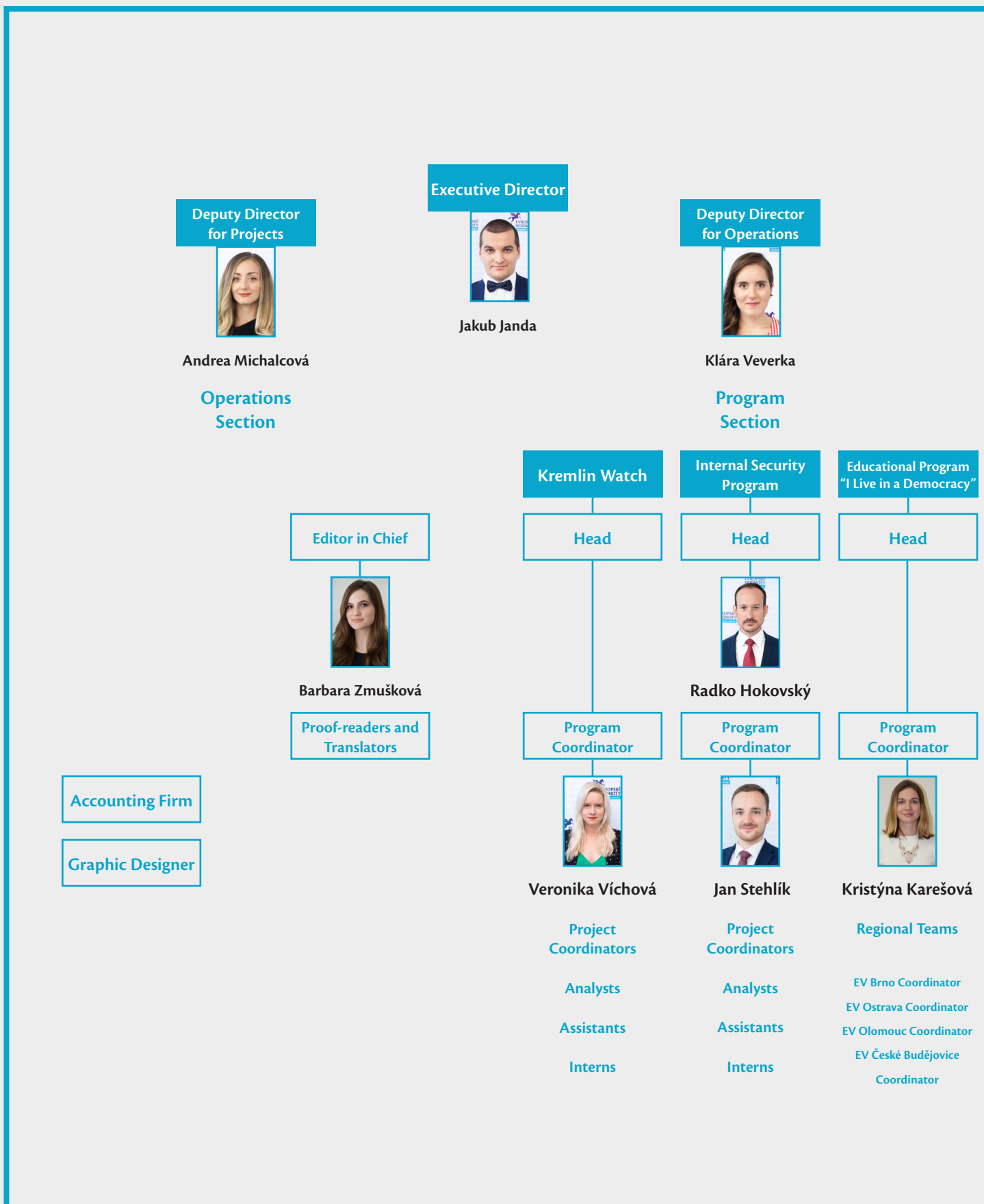
NEWSLETTERS

We regularly issue 2 newsletters:

- **Kremlin Watch Briefing** – a weekly publishing with more than 7000 subscribers including political actors, journalists, non-profit experts. It brings news from politics and research in the field of Russian influence in Europe and the USA, monitoring of Russian-language media, annotations of interesting recent publications, and throws in a good old Soviet joke. In 2018, this product gained 738 new subscribers.
- **Recommendation of the Week** – a weekly overview of European Values Think-Tank's activities and outputs from all its branches. In 2018, this product gained 192 new subscribers.

**Excluding in disinformation projects

OUR STAFF



Members of the Executive board are: **Radko Hokovský** (Chairman), **Jakub Janda** (Member) and **Jan Famfule** (Member).

Members of the Supervisory board are: **Jiří Kopal** (Chairman), **Jana Holcová** (Member) and **Petr Holec** (Member).

The General Assembly is the supreme body (within the meaning of the Civil Code). The statutory body is the Executive Director.

Team status as of December 2018

OUR FINANCE MANAGEMENT IN 2018

INCOMES BY PARTNERS (IN CZK)

International Visegrad Fund (Dutch government)	809 491
Foreign & Commonwealth Office	707 188
Konrad Adenauer Stiftung	652 035
British Embassy Prague	360 000
Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung	281 843
International Organization for Migration	265 765
MSB – Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency	254 050
U.S. Embassy in The Czech Republic	218 568
Prague Civil Society Centre	212 873
The Endowment Fund for Independent Journalism	200 000
Czech-German Future Fund	135 043
Representation of European Commission in the Czech Republic	126 825
Center for International Private Enterprise	115 805
American Friends of the Czech Republic	108 314
Donations to the Internal Security Program	105 600
Donations to the Kremlin Watch Program	96 727
Donation for activities of European Value Think-Tank	79 630
Free Russia Foundation	33 302
Eastern Partnership Civil Society Fellowships	25 595
Army of the Czech Republic - Regional Military Headquarter České Budějovice	22 544
Embassy of the State of Israel	22 400
Eastbook.eu	19 551
Embassy of Ukraine in Prague	16 686
Netherlands embassy in Prague	15 459
Warsaw Institute	15 459
EEA and Norway Grants	10 200
European Network and Information Security Agency	8 079

TOTAL

4 919 032 CZK

DONATIONS

OTHER DONATIONS (SUPPORT OF ALL ACTIVITIES)		KREMLIN WATCH		INTERNAL SECURITY PROGRAM	
Radek Krejčí	12 000	TRYMAT	50 000	Vítězslav Vala	50 000
Josef Gattermayer	6 000	Štěpán Franci	12 000	Jaroslava Valová	50 000
Petr Holec	6 000	Igor Zahradníček	6 000	Donors under 3 000 CZK	5 600
Lucie Worms	5 500	Ivo Kotaška	5 000		
Jan Voldan	5 100	Karel Škrabal	3 600		
David Ševčík	5 000	Donors under 3 000 CZK	20 127		
Vratislav Kadeřábek	3 000				
Donors under 3 000 CZK	37 030				
TOTAL	79 630 CZK	TOTAL	96 727 CZK	TOTAL	105 600 CZK

OUR FINANCE MANAGEMENT IN 2018

CHART: INCOMES BY PARTNERS (IN CZK)

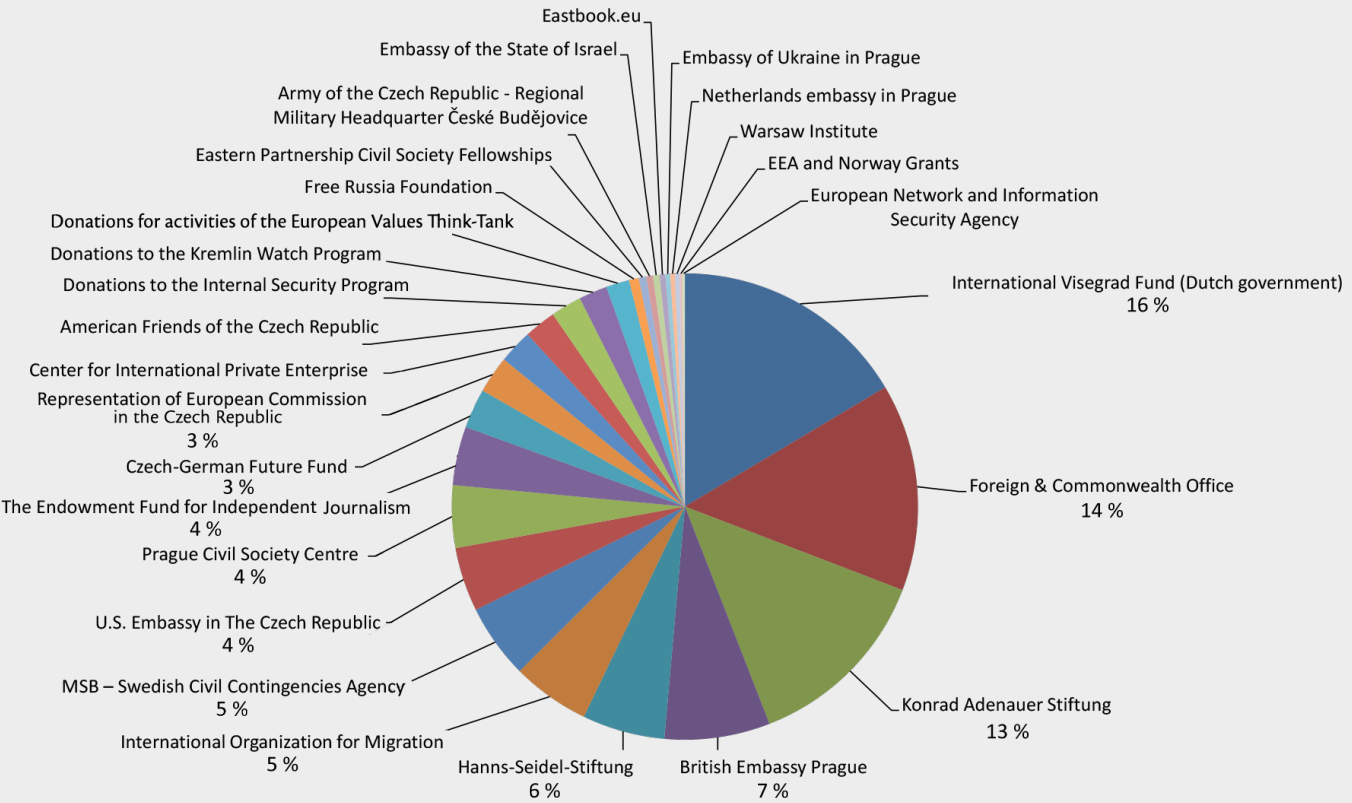
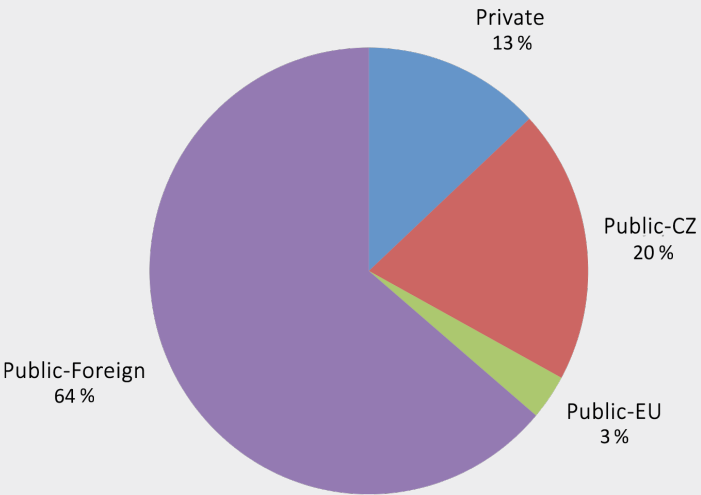


CHART: INCOMES BY SOURCES (IN %)



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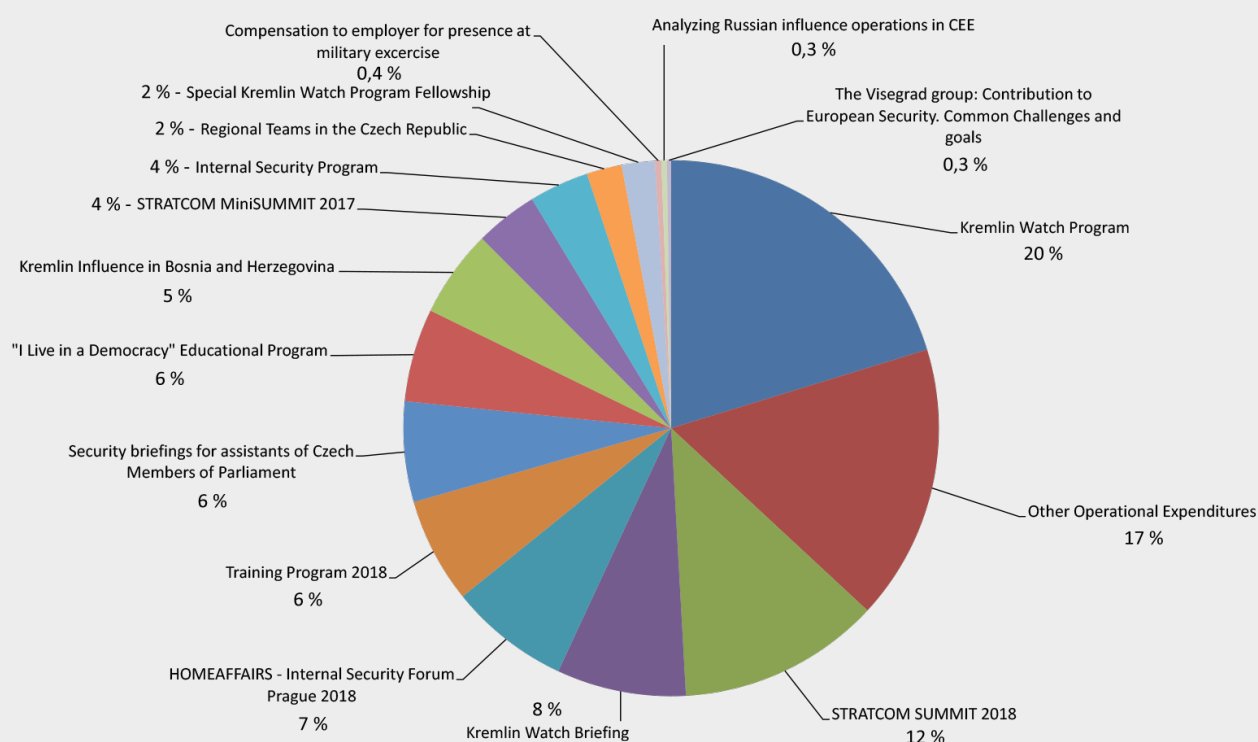
EXPENDITURES BY PROJECTS (IN CZK)

Program Kremlin Watch	1 204 505
Other Operational Expenditures	989 113
STRATCOM SUMMIT 2018	726 204
Kremlin Watch Briefing	464 141
HOMEAFFAIRS - Internal Security Forum Prague 2018	432 466
Training Program 2018	377 697
Security briefings for assistants of Czech Members of Parliament	359 965
"I Live in a Democracy" Educational Program	334 053
Kremlin Influence in Bosnia and Herzegovina	314 157
STRATCOM MiniSUMMIT 2017	225 136
Internal Security Program	214 104
Regional Teams in the Czech Republic	126 399
Special Kremlin Watch Program Fellowship	118 908
Compensation to employer for presence at military exercise	22 525
Analyzing Russian influence operations in CEE	19 904
The Visegrad group: Contribution to European Security. Common Challenges and goals	14 949

TOTAL

5 944 226 CZK

CHART: EXPENDITURES BY PROJECTS (IN CZK)



In 2018, the EV incurred a loss of 1 025 195,11 CZK. Part of the loss was generated by that year's continuing expenses on multiannual projects, with funding recovered in 2019. Part of the loss was also due to declining contributions from private donations.

CONTACT / HOW TO DONATE

We are able to do our work thanks to individual donors.
Support us in our effort to make the Czech Republic free, secure and prosperous.

It's simple. On our website, you can choose a specific program which you want to financially support, select and then click the "donate" button. You can explicitly select which of our activities you will support. A simple app will redirect you to a payment gateway, where you will securely enter your personal and banking details, and afterwards submit your donation.

You will receive a confirmation right after sending the payment.



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