

CTP becomes largest investor in new €16 million JIC Ventures start-up fund

Brno, 7 April 2026 – CTP, Europe's largest listed developer, owner, and operator of industrial and logistics properties by gross leasable area (GLA), is pleased to be the largest investor in the newly created JIC Ventures fund founded by the South Moravian Innovation Centre (JIC). The CZK 400 million (approx. €16.3 million) venture capital fund will invest in early-phase start-ups (pre-seed and seed) from the Czech Republic and Central Europe. The fund's official launch in Brno was attended by the President of the Czech Republic, Petr Pavel, together with representatives of CTP and other investors, and officials from innovation centres across the country.

"The Czech economy cannot develop without technology firms that provide a high level of added value. We see JIC Ventures as a practical tool to accelerate the foundation and growth of start-ups that can succeed globally, while also further cementing Brno and the South Moravian Region as an innovation hub. We are joining the fund as the largest investor because we firmly believe that this model will help develop the innovation ecosystem and foster the creation of many successful companies," explains Jakub Kodr, Managing Director of CTP in the Czech Republic.

The structure of JIC Ventures is unique in the Czech environment: although most of its capital comes from private investors, the initiative itself originates from JIC, which was founded by the South Moravian Region, the city of Brno, and four local universities. The South Moravian Region is also an investor in the fund, alongside CTP, Česká spořitelna, well-known Czech entrepreneur Jan Barta, and dozens of other private corporate and individual investors.

"We have been systematically working on supporting innovation in South Moravia for more than 20 years. If we want to compete on the European and global stage, we must seek out new tools to support the founding and development of new enterprises. This fund takes our innovation policy to a higher level," notes Jan Grolich, Governor of the South Moravian Region.

"Companies supported by JIC have achieved exits worth CZK 16 billion over the last five years. We created this new fund to build more globally successful start-ups and lay the foundations for a new Czech economy," explains Petr Chládek, Director of JIC.

CTP sees JIC Ventures not merely as a financial instrument, but as a key part of a broader and rapidly growing ecosystem where innovation moves quickly into practice. This is facilitated by CTP's integrated, all-in-one park model, where it acts as investor, developer, general contractor, property manager, and service provider. This

comprehensive, hands-on approach allows CTP to offer scalable facilities regardless of the type of space required, including spaces for smaller teams, R&D facilities, and complex production operations.

“Besides capital, technology companies need space to grow, from R&D to prototyping and scaling. CTP injects infrastructure, knowledge, facilities, and services into the South Moravian ecosystem, which eases expansion and accelerates decision-making. We want to partner with innovative companies from the beginning,” Jakub Kodr adds.

Similar models—where private investors, innovation institutions, and universities jointly create investment vehicles to support technological development and start-ups—are common in Western Europe, for example in Dublin, Ireland, and within the innovation ecosystem surrounding High Tech Campus Eindhoven in the Netherlands. CTP is inspired by this approach and has engaged Cees Admiraal, the long-time director of High Tech Campus Eindhoven, as an external consultant for the development of new technology hubs. CTP strongly believes this collaborative model will deliver meaningful support for entrepreneurship in Brno and the surrounding region.

CTP is among the most active investors in the South Moravia Region and in its capital, Brno, the Czech Republic’s second-largest city. In addition to its strategic CTPark locations at CTPark Brno and CTPark Brno Líšeň—which together offer more than 600,000 sqm of leasable space—CTP is also the developer, owner, and operator of the Vlněna, Ponávka, and Spielberg mixed-use business campuses in Brno. Together, these three A-class, city-centre campuses provide nearly 250,000 sqm of office space and a diverse mix of onsite amenities, including—depending on the location—CTP’s Clubco coworking space and Domeq residential rental apartments, which are expected to increase to 800 units by the end of 2026.

About CTP

CTP is Europe’s largest listed developer, owner, and operator of logistics and industrial real estate by gross leasable area (“GLA”), with a portfolio of 14.6 million sqm of GLA in 11 countries as of 31 December 2025. In the Czech Republic, it offers 4.7 million sqm GLA at more than 60 CTPark locations. CTP certifies all new buildings according to the BREEAM standard “Very Good” or higher and has consistently strong third-party ESG ratings, underscoring its commitment to being a sustainable business. **For more information, visit CTP’s website: www.ctp.eu.**



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