## **EIA PROCEDURE IN GENERAL**

- EIA procedure is commenced by submission of the notification of the project to the competent authority.
- The competent authority commences the fact-finding procedure by distribution of the notification of the project to the affected self-governing units and affected administrative authorities for publication and for comments.
- Every person may send a written viewpoint on the notification to the competent authority within 20 days of the day when information on the notification was published on the official notice board of the relevant region.
- On the basis of the notification, the viewpoints on the notification and the aspects and scales set forth in Annex 2 of the Act No. 100/2001 Coll., as amended, the competent authority shall carry out the fact-finding procedure. The objective of the fact-finding procedure is to define information that is appropriate to be laid down in the documentation on the environmental impacts of the project.
- The competent authority shall issue a fact-finding conclusion, setting the acceptance of the notification as a documentation or the need for preparation of a documentation with specification of the areas that have to be tackled in the documentation.
- The competent authority receives the documentation on environmental impacts and distributes it to the affected self-governing units and affected administrative authorities.
- Every person may submit a written viewpoint on the documentation to the competent authority in writing within 30 days of the date when information on the documentation was published on the official notice board of the relevant region.
- The experts report on environmental impacts of the project is elaborated on the basis of the notification, the documentation and all viewpoints received.
- The competent authority distributes the experts report to the affected self-governing units and affected administrative authorities for publication and for comments.
- Every person may submit a written viewpoint on the experts report to the competent authority in writing within 30 days of the date when information on the experts report was published on the official notice board of the relevant region.
- The public hearing is held and the minutes are provided.
- On the basis of the documentation, the expert report and the public hearing and the viewpoints submitted thereon, the competent authority shall issue a statement on the assessment of the environmental impacts of implementing the project.
- The statement shall be a basic expert document for issuing a decision or measure pursuant to special regulations. The statement shall be submitted by the notifier as one of the basic documents for subsequent procedures or processes pursuant to these regulations.

## **Procedure Flow under the EIA Act in the Czech Republic**



