

The Czech Republic belongs to the most industrialized states in the world, with some 37 % of its employees working in the industrial sector. Germany closely follows with 27 %. Yet, the nature of labour is changing due to technological innovations. Latest advancements in the field of artificial intelligence also influence other related sectors such as logistics. How far

advanced are the two neighbouring countries with the imple mentation of Industry 4.0? What can we learn from each other in this regard? Is the current automation an opportunity or a threat to jobs? And how will all these changes affect the people involved?



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