

Rewards for rattting



When the finance ministry announced plans last week for an [EET receipt lottery](#), it told a half-truth. It said the objective was to get people to ask for receipts. Czech TV made this same half-truth its lead news item last night, and Dep. Finance Min. Alena Schillerová repeated it three times on the late-night news. But if getting people to take a receipt were the only aim, it would be enough for the ministry to announce winning numbers. Everyone with a receipt would be a potential winner. Instead, only those who enter their personal details and a 16-character receipt code will be eligible. This will allow the tax office to find retailers who create fake codes. Bohuslav Sobotka acknowledged to [HN](#) that one reason for the lottery is to make EET inspections easier. When people register millions of receipts, he said, tax offices get a huge amount of data without sending anyone out into the field. This is the other half-truth: Rewards for rattting are being paid so that Big Data can be collected. The only remaining question is, Who else other than tax offices and Agrofert will have access to the data?

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