for Education and the Development of the Educational System in the Czech Republic'), with a focus on the right developmental priorities and progress indicators. The inspectorate also uses the annual reports issued by the individual regions and the priorities set in the 'Regional Long-Term Plans for Education and the Development of the Educational System in the Czech Republic'. Additionally, the inspectorate uses information provided by its partner organizations – the Institute for Information on Education, the Education Research Institute, the National Institute for Technical and Vocational Education and other organizations, institutes and organizations involved in the educational system.

## **Measurement and Evaluation Guidelines**

The overall evaluation is based on the examination of the individual, logically tied indicators and criteria (sometimes also sub-criteria). The tip of the evaluation 'pyramid' is represented by the primary type of evaluation (qualitative evaluation) and the lower levels are represented by the individual criteria and sub-criteria (qualitative evaluation using a three-level scale with a possible 'N' option). The widest base of the evaluation system is represented by the individual indicators (quantitative parameters – quantity, percent; qualitative evaluation using a dichotomic or other, usually three-level, scale).