# **CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

by

# The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK) and

**German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)** 

The call is open between 5 October 2023 and 22 January 2024

#### 1. Preamble

In the framework of the Protocol on Cooperation in Science and Technology between the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK) and German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), both parties invite universities and research institutions to submit joint proposals for scientific and technological research and development (R&D) projects. Private sector is also eligible to submit a research project proposal for TÜBİTAK only.

Within this call, the project proposals, which contribute to the current state of the art by producing new knowledge, making new scientific interpretations or solving technological problems are aimed to be funded.

# 2. Objectives of the Call

The aim of the call is to allow partners to collaborate internationally, and gain access to new research environments, facilities, knowledge, and expertise in order to enhance the quality of their research.

### 3. Main Thematic Areas

This call is for applications in all scientific and technological areas.

## 4. Financial Issues

As a rule, **Turkish partners** that are eligible for funding can receive **up to 800.000 Turkish Liras per project. Overhead and Project Incentive Premium will not be paid for projects.** 

In the framework of this call, these budget items stated below will be funded by TÜBİTAK:

### • Travel Expenses

- Travel Expenses for Domestic Field Work
- Domestic or Foreign Travel Expenses for Non-Field Activities
- o Travel Expenses under Bilateral Cooperation
- Representation and Promotion Expenses (Maximum 39.000 Turkish Liras)
- Scholarship Student Expenses

In addition, German partners that are eligible for funding can receive up to 10.000 EUR per year.

TÜBİTAK-funded costs of each grant will be issued and managed by TÜBİTAK in accordance with the rules of <u>TÜBİTAK 1071 Programme</u>.

Similarly, DAAD-funded costs of each grant will be issued and managed by DAAD according to its funding guidelines and procedures.

The costs of exchange of experts, scientists and other specialists will be covered on the following basis:

• The sending Party will meet all related costs connected with travel, lodging and allowances according to their own regulations.

# 5. Duration of the Projects

The duration of the projects should not exceed 24 months and total duration of international visits should not exceed 60 days per year for Turkish side.

The projects will be monitored through progress reports and the final report by both TÜBİTAK and DAAD for its content and progress.

## 6. Proposal Submission

The Joint Call will be open for applications between 5 October 2023 and 22 January 2024 through online application systems of TÜBİTAK and DAAD. Turkish partners will make their joint online application via TÜBİTAK's online system, <a href="https://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr">https://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr</a>, while German partners will make their online application through DAAD's online application system.

- The partners should come to an agreement with each other using their own means of communication and jointly develop and complete their project proposal before submitting it to TÜBİTAK and DAAD. TÜBİTAK and DAAD do not match the collaborating partners.
- Project proposals must provide detailed information on the objectives and justification
  of the planned joint research work, the methodology to be followed, the composition of
  each research team and the intended time schedule.
- Turkish partners will use e-signature for their applications. Detailed information can be achieved via <a href="http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/281/ardeb e-imza yardim dokumani.pdf">http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/281/ardeb e-imza yardim dokumani.pdf</a>.
- For Turkish side, in case there are two or more institutions within the same project, Turkish institutions should submit a single joint proposal. Researchers can serve as principal investigator in more than one project application within the scope of this call.
- Submission of proposals by fax or e-mail will not be accepted.

#### 7. The Evaluation Procedure

## 7.1. Eligibility Criteria

Turkish team will receive funding through TÜBİTAK 1071 Program. All Turkish researchers who apply for this Program should be registered to TÜBİTAK ARBIS (Researcher Information system) through the following link: <a href="https://arbis.tubitak.gov.tr">https://arbis.tubitak.gov.tr</a>.

For detailed information on the eligibility for Turkish team, please visit <u>here.</u>

German partners should follow the relevant rules and requirements of DAAD.

## 7.2. Evaluation Method

- The proposals that are deemed eligible will be evaluated by TÜBİTAK and DAAD in line with their own rules and regulations.
- Following the scientific evaluation, TÜBİTAK and DAAD will share a comprehensive list with each other regarding their evaluation results.
- Only the project proposals, which will be approved by TÜBİTAK and DAAD will be supported.

## 8. Key Dates

| ACTIONS                               | PERIODS         |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Application Announcement              | 5 October 2023  |
| Deadline for Applications             | 22 January 2024 |
| Deadline for E-Signatures for TÜBİTAK | 29 January 2024 |
| Anticipated start of the projects     | October 2024    |

## 9. Contact Persons at TÜBİTAK and DAAD

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