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**2535 TÜBİTAK-MSRT CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2019**

Based on the Memorandum of Understanding between The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) and the Ministry of Science Research and Technology (MSRT) signed in 2017, this call is launched to enhance the cooperative activities in the field of research between two countries. The main objective of this call is to support research projects to promote the integrated joint research between two countries through the synergy between both countries’ teams.

The purpose of a partnership between TÜBİTAK and MSRT is to support projects for which there is genuine Turkish-Iranian collaboration. Under this call, only the research projects, focusing on producing new knowledge; making new scientific interpretations or solving technological problems based on scientific principles will be funded. The projects will be implemented through the exchange of researcher and knowledge. Based on the respective bilateral agreement between TÜBİTAK and MSRT, each party will cover the costs of their national team. While submitting the Project proposal form, the costs which are requested in the scope of the project must be stated in detail and justified. In the case of any exchange of researcher to be made within the scope of the projects, the sending party meets all the travel expenses. The provisions of per diem Law No. 6245 will be applied for the Turkish team. TÜBİTAK will fund the Turkish side under the financial principles of TÜBİTAK 1071 Program (please check the application rules for Turkish side, <https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/3125/1071_arastirma_projeleri_surec_dokumani.pdf>).

The Turkish and Iranian partners shall form a project consortium and prepare a joint scientific project. Teams from each country must designate a national scientific coordinator. Projects should be submitted in parallel to respective funding agencies by each national scientific coordinator. There is no late submission deadline for Turkish team. Project coordinators must complete all e-signatures requested in the application form and the other forms generated by the online application system (http://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr) **for TÜBİTAK until 23/10/2019, (**www.Inttabrizuni.ir) **For MSRT**, project coordinators must send completed e-signatures until **23/10/2019** via the online system as http://inttabrizuni.ir and also to [irtu@tabrizu.ac.ir](mailto:irtu@tabrizu.ac.ir).

The proposals will be evaluated according to the national regulations of the funding institutions, but based on jointly agreed rules and criteria of evaluation below;

• Importance of International Collaboration

• Scientific Excellence

• Methodology

• Project Management

• Impact

Only projects that fit to the call topics can be funded.

**Call Snapshot**

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| **SCOPE** | **Engineering,** **Information and Communication Technologies,**  **Materials Science**, **Cognitive Science, Energy** | |
| **Competition opens** | 17/10/2019 | |
| **Final date for online proposal submission** | For TUBITAK: 18/10/2019 17:00 (IST time)  For MSRT: 18/10/2019 00:00 (Tabriz time) | |
| **Submission deadline** | For TUBITAK: 23/10/2019  For MSRT: 23/10/2019 | |
| **Announcement of results** | 16/03/2020 | |
| **Thematic Fields & subfields** | * **Engineering:** * Factory Automation Systems * Additive Manufacturing and Machine Design and Manufacturing * Robotics & Mechatronics * Bio-Engineering& Technology * Chemical  Engineering * Aerospace * **Information and Communication Technologies:** * Artificial Intelligence * Software Technologies * Bio-Informatics * **Materials Science:** * Surface, Coating and Films * Micro / Nano Materials * Bio-materials * New Lightening/Energy harvesting  sources * **Energy** * Renewable Energy * Petroleum and Natural Gas * Energy storage * Environmental resource management * Geothermal resources * **Cognitive Science** * Neuroscience * Cognitive Information Processing * Mathematical Behavioral Science | |
| **Eligible applicant** | **For the Turkish Team**  The Principal Investigator (PI), must hold a PhD degree. | **For the Iranian Team**  The Principal Investigator (PI), must hold a PhD. |
| **Award parameters** | TUBITAK funds up to 100.000 Turkish Liras per project. | Iranian researchers will be funded up to 400.000.000 İranian Rial under MSRT International Cooperation Program and partially by University of Tabriz. |
| **How to apply** | **For the Turkish Team**  Proposal submission is made through the TÜBİTAK’s system (http://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr). | **For the Iranian Team**  Proposal submission is made through the Tabriz University’s system (www.inttabrizuni.ir). |
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