

# CALL FOR PROPOSALS

by

Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)

and

National Centre for Scientific and Technological Research of Morocco (CNRST)

**The Call is open between 10 December 2021 – 4 March 2022**

## **1. Preamble**

In the framework of the Protocol on Cooperation in science and technology between The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) and the National Centre for Scientific and Technological Research of Morocco (CNRST), both Parties invite submissions of joint proposals for research projects.

Within this Call, the research 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 the following scientific and technological areas:

- Basic & Applied Sciences
- Engineering
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Renewable & Sustainable Energy
- Health Sciences

### 4. Financial Aspects

**A maximum of 10 projects will be funded under this Joint Call.**

Partners from Turkey who are eligible for funding can receive up to 100.000 Turkish Liras per project. Overheads and Project Incentive Premium will not be provided to projects funded under this Call.

**In the framework of this call, the 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
  - Travel Expenses under Bilateral Cooperation
- **Representation and Promotion Expenses** (max. 15.000 Turkish Liras)

Partners from Morocco who are eligible for funding can receive up to 30,750 MAD/year per project.

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

- **Travel Expenses:**
  - Travel Expenses under Bilateral Cooperation
    - Airline tickets for researchers in Morocco
    - Living expenses for researchers from Turkey

TÜBİTAK-funded costs of each grant will be issued and managed by TÜBİTAK in accordance with the rules of [TÜBİTAK 1071 Programme](#). Similarly, CNRST-funded costs of each grant will be issued and managed by CNRST 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 cover the costs of international travel where the joint work will be executed and the Receiving Party will meet the costs of trips within its territory, boarding and lodging.

TÜBİTAK will provide 60 Euros/day to researchers coming from Morocco to Turkey, to cover the costs of boarding and lodging.

CNRST will provide 750 MAD/day to researchers coming from Turkey to Morocco, to cover the costs of boarding and lodging.

The total duration of international visits from one direction to the other should not exceed 21 days per year.

## **5. Duration of Projects**

The duration of projects should not exceed 24 months.

In case the project is unable to be completed within the indicated timeframe, both partners should submit an extension request to their respective funding agency. The extension is granted only if the request is approved by both TÜBİTAK and CNRST.

## **6. Proposal Submission Process**

The Joint Call will be open to applications between 10 December 2021 – 4 March 2022.

Partners from Turkey will make their joint online application via TÜBİTAK's online system: [uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr](https://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr)

All Turkish researchers submitting proposals under this Call should be registered to TUBITAK ARBIS (Researcher Information system) through the following link: <https://arbis.tubitak.gov.tr>.

Partners from Morocco will make their joint application via the electronic submission platform: [call.cnrst.ma](http://call.cnrst.ma)

- 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 CNRST. **TÜBİTAK and CNRST do not take role in matching 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.
- Partners from Turkey will use E-Signature for their applications. Detailed information can be accessed via [https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/3125/uidb\\_e-imza\\_yardim\\_dokumani.pdf](https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/3125/uidb_e-imza_yardim_dokumani.pdf). Applications with hard copy documents will not be accepted.
- Submission of proposals by fax or e-mail will not be accepted.

## 7. Key Documents and Links

The eligibility criteria are indicated in the national call documents published on the TÜBİTAK and CNRST websites.

### For applicants from Turkey:

- [National Application Rules for TÜBİTAK 1071 Programme](#)
- [E-Signature Help Document](#)
- [Online Application System](#)

### For applicants from Morocco:

- [CNRST webpage for joint Research Program with TÜBİTAK](#)
- [Online Application system](#)
- [Signature form](#)

## 8. Evaluation

- Proposals that are deemed eligible will be evaluated by TÜBİTAK and CNRST in line with their own rules and regulations.
- Scientific evaluations will be conducted separately by TÜBİTAK and CNRST. Following the scientific evaluation, TÜBİTAK and CNRST will share with each other a result list that will include information about the approved and rejected proposals.
- Only proposals which have been approved by both TÜBİTAK and CNRST will be funded.

## 9. Key Dates

| ACTIONS                                  | PERIODS          |
|--|------------------|
| Opening of the Call                      | 10 December 2021 |
| Closure of the Call                      | 4 March 2022     |
| Deadline for E-Signatures for TÜBİTAK    | 11 March 2022    |
| Signed Hard Copy Documents Sent to CNRST | 11 March 2022    |
| Announcement of Results                  | July 2022        |

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