

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

by

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey

and

The Ministry of Innovative Development of the Republic of Uzbekistan

The Call is open between 27th September 2019 and 20th December 2019

1. Preamble

In the framework of the Agreement on Cooperation in Science and Technology between The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) and The Ministry of Innovative Development of the Republic of Uzbekistan (MID Uzbekistan) invite Universities, Research Centers and Institutes to submit joint proposals for Research and Development (R&D) projects.

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 and enable them to translate research and innovation into economic and societal benefit.

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 720.000 Turkish Liras (excl. overhead and Project Incentive Premium (PIP) approximately) per project.**

Also, **Uzbek partners** that are eligible for funding can receive **up to 1.000.000.000 Uzbek Sum (UZS) per project.**

TÜBİTAK-funded costs of each grant will be issued and managed by TÜBİTAK in accordance with with the rules of TÜBİTAK 1071 Programme. Detailed information can be achieved via https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/3125/1071_arastirma_projeleri_surec_dokumani.pdf website address.

Similarly, MID Uzbekistan-funded costs of each grant will be issued and managed by MID Uzbekistan 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.
- The sending Party shall be responsible for the emergency health insurance of its scientists.

5. Duration of the Projects

The duration of the projects should not exceed two years and the total duration of international visits should not exceed two months (60 days) per year for the each supported joint research project.

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

6. Proposal Submission

The Joint Call will be open for applications between 27th September 2019 and 20th December 2019 through online application systems of TÜBİTAK and MID Uzbekistan. Turkish partners will make their joint online application via TÜBİTAK's online system, uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr, while Uzbek partners will make their online application through FAN PORTAL of MID Uzbekistan.

- 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 MID Uzbekistan. **TÜBİTAK and MID Uzbekistan do not match the collaborating partners.**
- The proposals should be prepared in **English**.
- 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 make their joint online application via TÜBİTAK's online system reachable from uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr.
- Turkish partners will use E-Signature for their applications. Detailed information can be achieved via http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/281/ardeb_e-imza_yardim_dokumani.pdf. Because of that situation there is no need to send any hard copy to TÜBİTAK.
- On the other hand, after completion of the online application procedure, **until 25th December 2019, The Uzbek coordinator must submit one hard copy to:**

The Ministry of Innovative Development of the Republic of Uzbekistan

Address: Taras Shevchenko 1, Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

Phone: +99871 203 3223 (221)

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- Submission of proposals by fax or e-mail will not be accepted.

7. The Evaluation Procedure

7.1. Eligibility Criteria

Eligibility conditions for the Turkish team are applicable at the Process Document for Research Projects (available at https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/3125/1071_arastirma_projeleri_surec_dokumani.pdf)

Uzbek partners should follow the relevant rules and requirements of MID Uzbekistan.

7.2. Evaluation Method

- The proposals that are deemed eligible will be evaluated by TÜBİTAK and MID Uzbekistan in line with their own rules and regulations.
- Following the scientific evaluation, TÜBİTAK and MID Uzbekistan will inform each other a result list that will include the information about approved and rejected project proposals.
- Only the project proposals, which will be approved by TÜBİTAK and MID Uzbekistan will be supported.

8. Key Dates

ACTIONS	PERIODS
Application Announcement	27 th September 2019
Deadline for Applications	20 th December 2019
Deadline for E-Signatures for TÜBİTAK and Submission of Application Documents to MID Uzbekistan	25 th December 2019
Eligibility Check	27 th December 2019 – 21 st February 2020
Sharing of the Project Proposal List that will be evaluated	22 nd February 2020
Evaluation Period	28 th February 2020 - 17 th April 2020
Sharing of the Evaluation Results	24 th April 2020
Matching the Evaluation Results	17 th April 2020 - 24 th April 2020
Sharing of the Final Evaluation Results	30 th April 2020
Announcement of the Results	13 th May 2020

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