

TÜBİTAK-NRF Call for Proposals 2021

CALL TEXT

IMPORTANT

Project partners in Turkey should submit their project applications to The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey-TÜBİTAK and Korean project partners submit their project applications to National Research Foundation of Korea-NRF [via electronic application system](#). Unilateral applications are not accepted.

All applicants are strongly advised that they read carefully the national regulations of their respective funding agency.

For TÜBİTAK:

https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/3125/1071_arastirma_projeleri_surec_dokumani.pdf

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1. BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES OF COOPERATION

Based on the Memorandum of Understanding between The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) and National Research Foundation of the Republic of Korea (NRF) signed in 2012, 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.

As a part of this agreement, each country's agencies evaluate the proposals of their respective national teams on projects selected according to their own priorities.

The purpose of the partnership between TÜBİTAK and NRF is to support projects for which there is genuine Turkish-Korean collaboration. **There is no restriction for the research themes.**

2. ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

For Turkish team, The Principal Investigator (PI), is expected to hold a PhD degree if he/she is from the academy. If the PI is from the public or private sector, he/she must have a BA/BSc Degree. Also, if the PI is from the private sector, he/she must be working there full-time for at least a minimum of 6 months. Proposals may be submitted by public legal RTD (Research and Technology Development) entities, higher education institutions, non-university research establishments from public sector, and private sector. For more information about the eligible applicants, please visit https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/3125/1071_arastirma_projeleri_surec_dokumani.pdf

For Korean team, please contact NRF.

3. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Turkish and Korean partners will 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 both Turkish and Korean teams.** Projects which are not submitted on both sides will not be accepted for evaluation. Hence, Turkish/Korean project leaders should make sure that their counterpart submits a matching application.

Turkish partners:

Joint project proposal form can be reached through the <http://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr/> after log-in.

Online submission should be completed in <http://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr/> until **30 June 2021, 17.30 pm**. The application document should be uploaded to the system via electronic signature. Electronic signatures required from respective legal persons should be completed until **7 July 2021, 17.30 pm**.

4. EVALUATION

Projects are evaluated by TÜBİTAK and NRF independently by their own evaluation procedures. Only the proposals which are accepted by two sides will be funded. **A total of 7 projects** will be funded within this call.

Eligibility Check:

Each proposal received within the designated submission deadline shall pass through an administrative/eligibility check by both Managing Authorities. The administration/eligibility check procedure is defined in the respective National Rules & Regulations set forth by each Managing Authority. For applications to be eligible to move forward to the scientific evaluation stage, applicants shall need to satisfy the criteria set forth by both Managing Authorities.

5. FUNDING PROVISIONS

Each project will be funded for a period of 2 years (24 Months). Each agency will cover expenditures for their respective country's teams according to its own rules. Turkish teams will be funded based on TÜBİTAK 1071 Program. Korean researchers will be funded under the Regulation for the National R&D Program Management of Korea.

Post-award:

For successful projects, the PI from each country will sign a Grant Agreement directly with the respective Managing Authority. The National Rules & Regulations will form an integral part of each respective Agreement, which will further define the terms and conditions, including the funding disbursement schedule for both parties. Projects must start and end on the same date for all partners within the project consortium.

Other requirements that are specifically required by each of the Managing Authorities will need to be adhered to by the said counterparts.

6. CALL SNAPSHOT

Competition opens	1 April 2020	
Final date for online proposal submission	<p>For TÜBİTAK: 30 June 2021, 17.30 (Turkish local time) Deadline for e-signatures: 7 July 2021, 17:30 (Turkish Local Time)</p> <p>For NRF: 30 June 2021, 18:00 (KST time)</p>	
Announcement of results	November 2021	
Anticipated start date of projects	January 2022	
Award parameters	<p>TUBITAK funds up to 720.000 Turkish Liras (excl. overhead and Project Incentive Premium (PIP) approximately) per project.</p> <p>Expenses related directly to the performance of the project research and scientific activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel • Equipment • Travel • Consumables 	<p>Korean researchers will be funded up to 40 Million KRW per project (20 Million KRW per year).</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Procurement 	
Scientific visits	<p>Each party will cover the travel expenses of its own researchers for the scientific visits according to their own rules.</p> <p>For the Turkish team, the daily allowance will be paid in accordance with the provisions of Law No. 6245 along with the economy class flight tickets for the scientific visits from Turkey to Korea.</p> <p>For each project, the total duration of scientific visits from Turkey to Korea will not exceed 90 days per year for the Turkish team.</p>	

** Please note that above schedules may be adjusted in accordance to the agreement of TUBITAK and NRF*