TÜBİTAK-NRF Call for Proposals 2020
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 NRF: Please contact NRF.

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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 shall 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.

**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 26 June 2020, 17.00 pm. The application document should be uploaded to the system via electronic signature. Electronic signatures required from respective legal persons should be completed until 3 July 2020, 17.00 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.

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.

6. CALL SNAPSHOT

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| Final date for online proposal submission | For TÜBİTAK: 26 June 2020, 17.00 (Turkish local time)  
Deadline for e-signatures: 3 July 2020, 17:00 (Turkish Local Time)  
For NRF: 26 June 2020, 17.00 (KST time) |
| Announcement of results | November 2020 |
| Anticipated start date of projects | January 2021 |
| Award parameters | TUBITAK funds up to 720,000 Turkish Liras (excl. overhead and Project Incentive Premium (PIP) approximately) per project.  
Korean researchers will be funded up to 40 Million KRW per project (20 Million KRW per year). |
| Scientific visits | Each party will cover the travel expenses of its own researchers for the scientific visits.  
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.  
For each project, the total duration of scientific visits from Turkey to Korea will not exceed 90 days per year for the Turkish team. |

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