CALL FOR PROPOSALS

by

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK)

and

Slovenian Research Agency (ARRS)

The Call is open between 14th January 2022 and 10th 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 Slovenian Research Agency (ARRS), both Parties invite universities, private sector and research centers and institutes to submit joint proposals for scientific and technological research projects.

Within this Call, the 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 all scientific and technological areas.

4. Financial Issues

As a rule, Turkish partners that are eligible for funding can receive up to 125.000 Turkish Liras per project. Overhead and Project Incentive Premium will not be paid for projects.

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

- Travel Expenses
 - Travel Expenses for Domestic Field Work
 - o Domestic or Foreign Travel Expenses for Non-Field Activities
 - Travel Expenses under Bilateral Cooperation
- Representation and Promotion Expenses (Maximum 15.000 Turkish Liras)

Slovenian partners that are eligible for funding can receive up to 8.000 EUR per project.

TÜBİTAK-funded costs of each grant will be issued and managed by TÜBİTAK in accordance with the rules of <u>TÜBİTAK 1071 Programme</u>. Similarly, ARRS-funded costs of each grant will be issued and managed by ARRS 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 part will meet the cost of international travel to the place where the joint work will be carried out.

The receiving party will meet the cost of trips within its territory, board and lodging, subject to the current regulations.

The sending party will be responsible for the emergency health insurance of its scientists, including medical care.

Daily allowances are:

In Turkey (Equivalent in Turkish currency):

For short visits (up to 25 days) USD 20.00 per day For longer visits (25 days - 2 months) USD 500.00 per month

Accommodation:

Researchers coming from Slovenia to Turkey will be paid 45 USD (equivalent in Turkish currency) for accommodation.

In Slovenia (Equivalent in EUR) – for researchers coming from Turkey to Slovenia

Accommodation:

For short visits (up to 14 days) EUR 100.00 per day For longer visits EUR 1,250.00 per month Daily allowances: 21,39 EUR

5. Duration of the Projects

The duration of the projects should not exceed 24 months and the total duration of international visits in one direction 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 ARRS for its content and progress.

6. Proposal Submission

The Joint Call will be open for applications between 14th January 2022 and 10th March 2022 through online application systems of TÜBİTAK and ARRS. Turkish partners will make their joint online application via TUBITAK's online system, uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr.

Slovenian partners should submit the project according to the requirements of the call. The application form will be published on the National Research Agency's website when the call is published on 14 January: <u>http://www.arrs.si/sl/</u>

- 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 ARRS. **TÜBİTAK and ARRS do not match 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.

- Turkish partners will use E-signature for their applications. Detailed information can be achieved via <u>https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/281/ardeb e-</u> <u>imza yardim dokumani.</u>
- There is no need to send any hard copy to TÜBİTAK.
- For Turkish side, in case there are two or more institutions within the same project, Turkish institutions should submit a single joint proposal.
- For Turkish side submission of proposals by fax or e-mail will not be accepted.

7. The Evaluation Procedure

7.1. Eligibility Criteria

Turkish team will receive funding through TUBITAK 1071 Program. All Turkish researchers who apply for this Program should be registered to TUBITAK ARBIS (Researcher Information system) through the following link: <u>https://arbis.tubitak.gov.tr</u>.

For detailed information on the eligibility for Turkish team, please visit <u>https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/3125/1071 arastirma projeleri surec dokumani.pdf</u>

Slovenian partners should follow the relevant rules and requirements of ARRS.

7.2. Evaluation Method

- The proposals that are deemed eligible will be evaluated by TÜBİTAK and ARRS in line with their own rules and regulations.
- Following the scientific evaluation, TÜBİTAK and ARRS will inform each other a result list that will be include the information about approved and rejected project proposals.
- Only the project proposals, which will be approved by TÜBİTAK and ARRS will be supported.
- The priority will be given to project proposals submitted by project leaders that had not received funding in the last three joint call for proposals, namely for the periods 2018 – 2021, 2019-2022 and 2020-2023.

8. Key Dates

ACTIONS	PERIODS
Application Announcement	14 th January 2022
Deadline for Applications	10 th March 2022
Deadline for E-Signatures for TÜBİTAK	17 th March 2022
Announcement of the Results	July 2022
Estimated Starting Date of Projects	September 2022

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