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# Co-Funded Brain Circulation Scheme3

ANKARA (October 24, 2025)  
İSTANBUL (October 30, 2025)

Kick-off Meeting

[cocirculation3.tubitak.gov.tr](http://cocirculation3.tubitak.gov.tr)

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The selection process will be open, transparent, merit-based, impartial, and equitable



Standart

Eligibility check

Remote peer review  
evaluation and  
ethics check

Selection committee  
meeting  
(including  
consensus)  
and ethics  
check

The funding  
decision

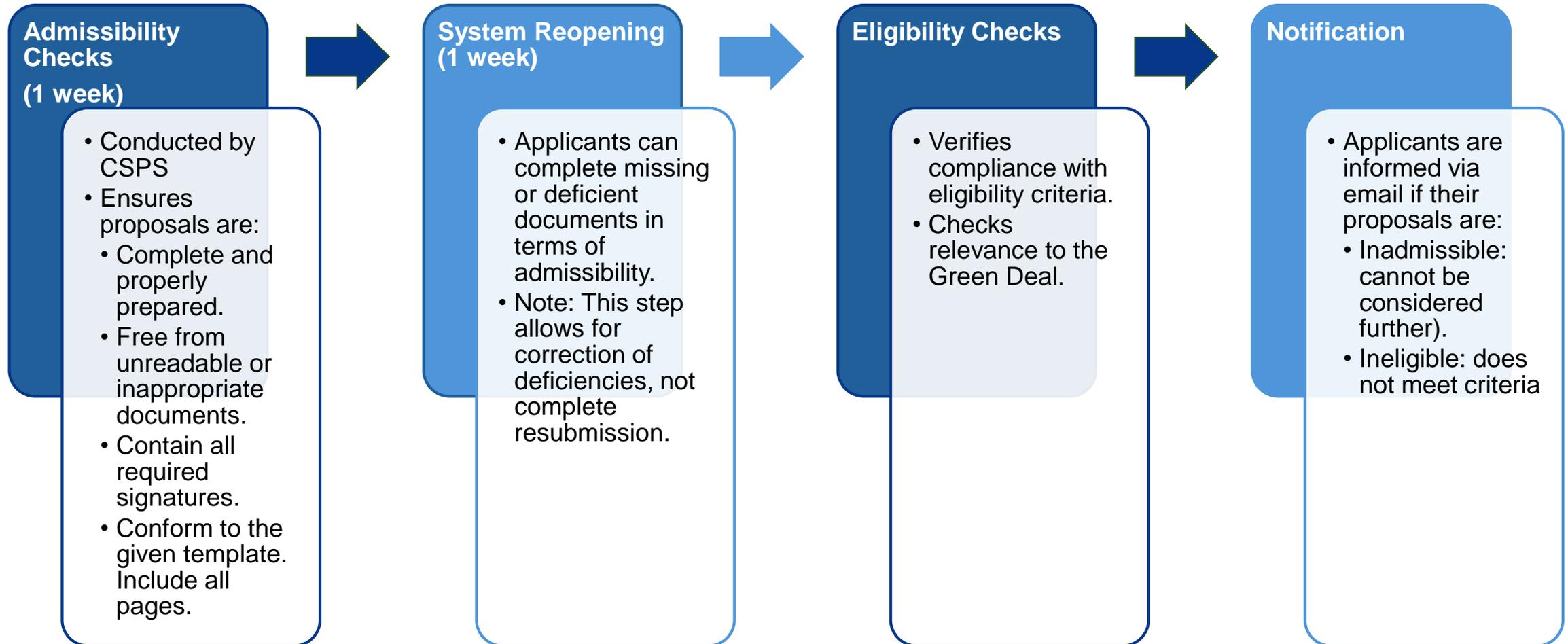
Society and  
Enterprise

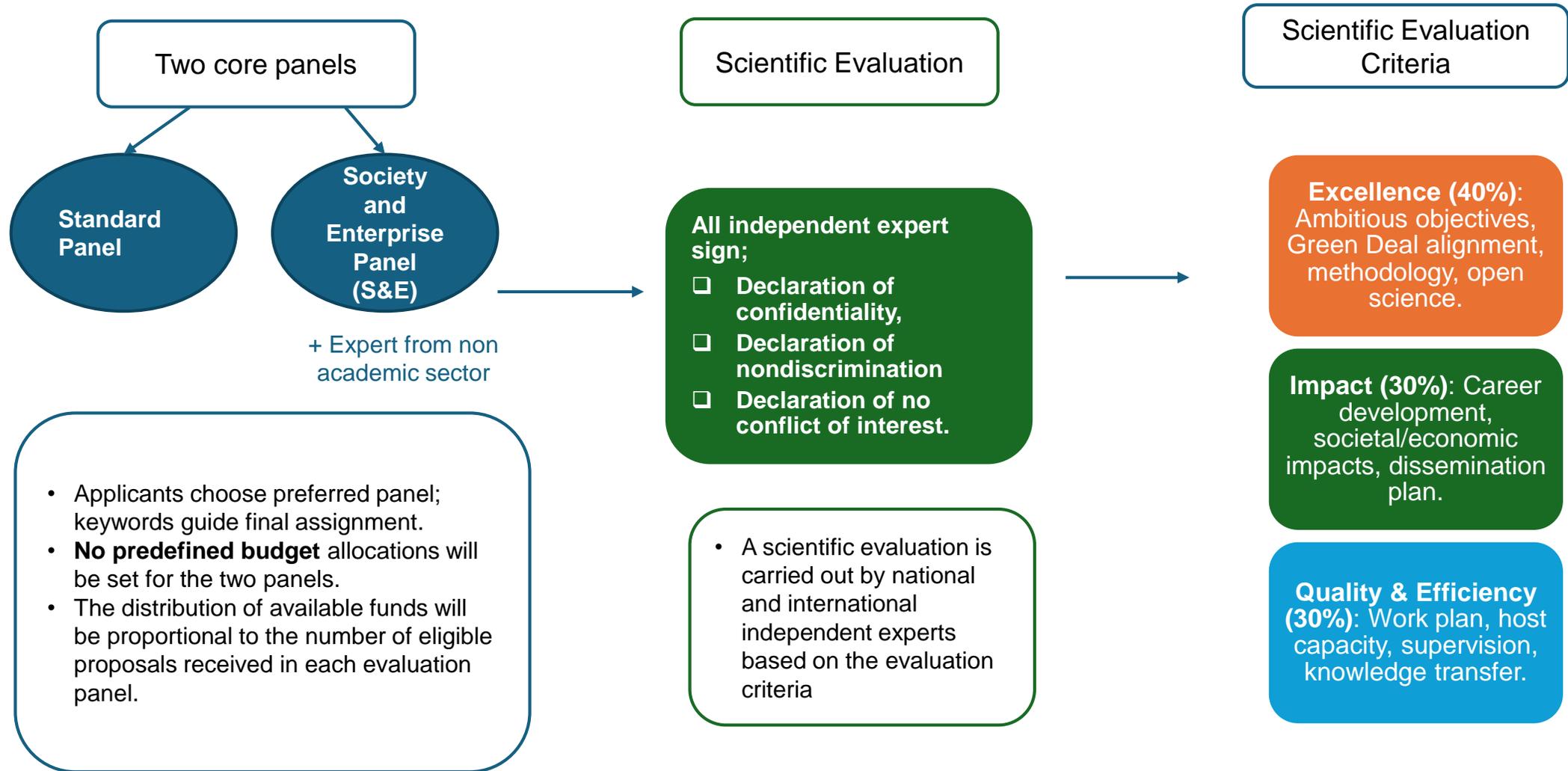
Call Secretariat

Independent Researchers

Steering Committee

President of TÜBİTAK





1) Excellence (Weight 40%)	2) Impact (Weight 30%)	3) Quality and efficiency of the implementation (Weight 30%)
Quality and pertinence of the project's research and innovation objectives (and the extent to which they are ambitious and go beyond the state of the art and their relationship with the Green Deal/sub-topics).	Credibility of the measures to enhance the career perspectives and employability of the researcher and contribution to his/her skills development	Quality and effectiveness of the work plan, assessment of risks and appropriateness of the effort assigned to WPs
Soundness of the proposed methodology (including interdisciplinary approaches, consideration of the gender dimension and other diversity aspects if relevant for the research project, and the quality of open science practices)	Suitability and quality of the measures to maximise expected outcomes and impacts, as set out in the dissemination and exploitation plan, including communication activities	Quality and capacity of the host institutions and participating organisations, including hosting arrangements
Quality of the supervision, training and of the two-way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host, or two-way transfer of knowledge between the researcher, the main host and secondment host.	The magnitude and importance of the project's contribution to the expected scientific, societal and economic impacts	Others: mobility, supervision and mentoring, public awareness, suitability of the profile to the programme, non-academic experience
Quality and appropriateness of the researcher's professional experience, competences and skills		
Priority in case of ex aequo.		
An overall threshold of 70% will be applied to the total weighted score and for each individual criterion.		

## Funding Decisions:



### Two Ranked List

CPCS will prepare separate rankings for the Standard and Society & Enterprise (S&E) panels.

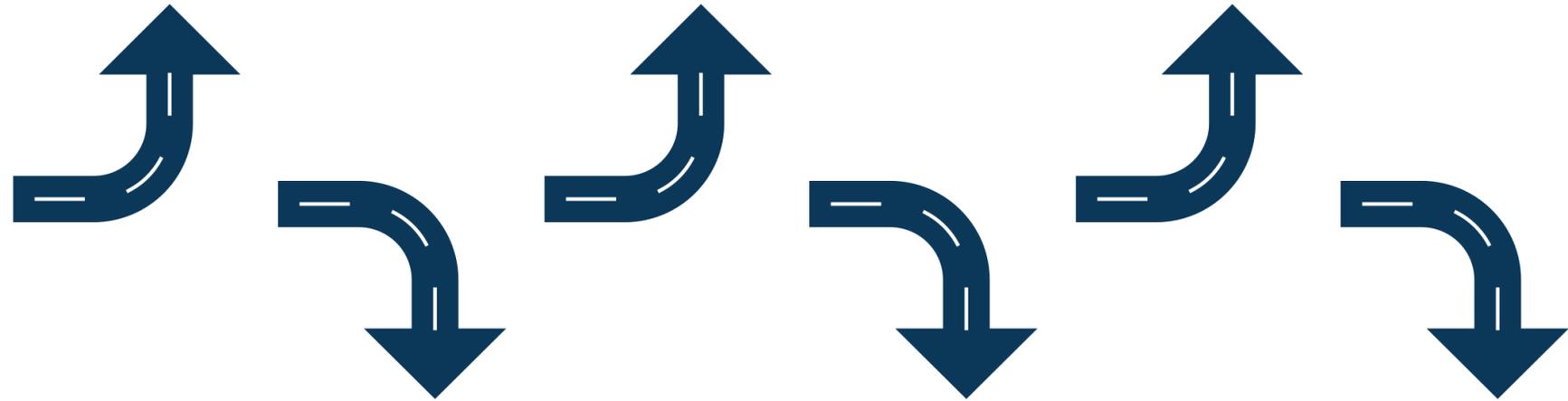


- Made based on rankings and available fellowships; extra proposals go to a *reserve list*.
- Final decision taken by the *President of TÜBİTAK*.



### Reserve List

Candidates may be offered fellowships if main-list fellows withdraw.



### Ethics Checks

Conducted at the final stage for all proposals. If required, fellows must obtain ethical approval from their host institution before starting related work.

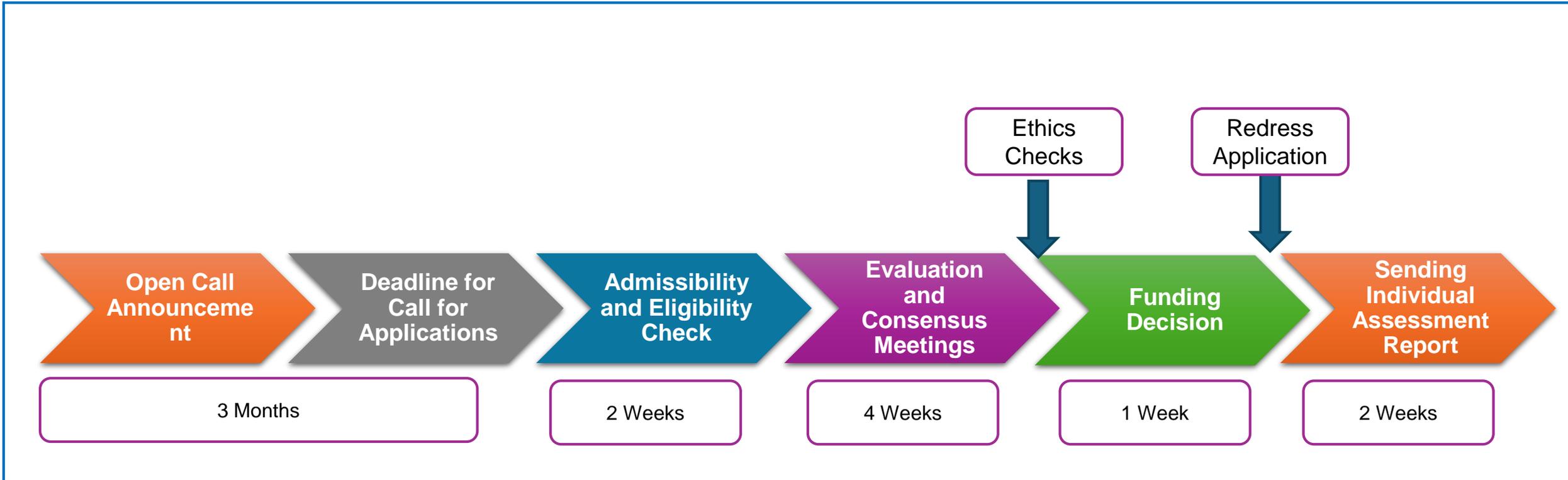


### Notifications

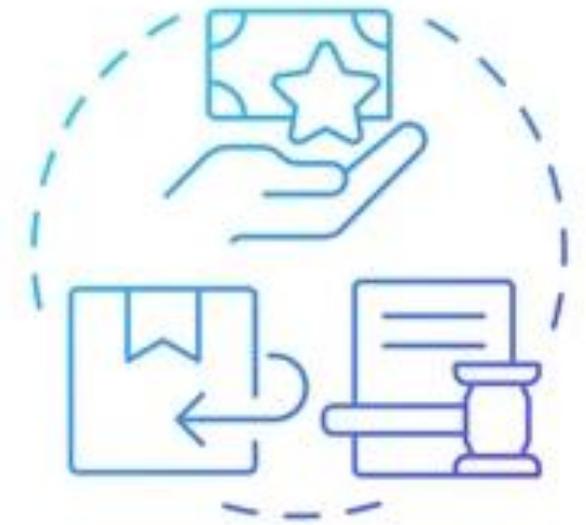
Applicants receive results and *Individual Assessment Reports (IAR)* by email; successful proposals (by registration number) are published online.



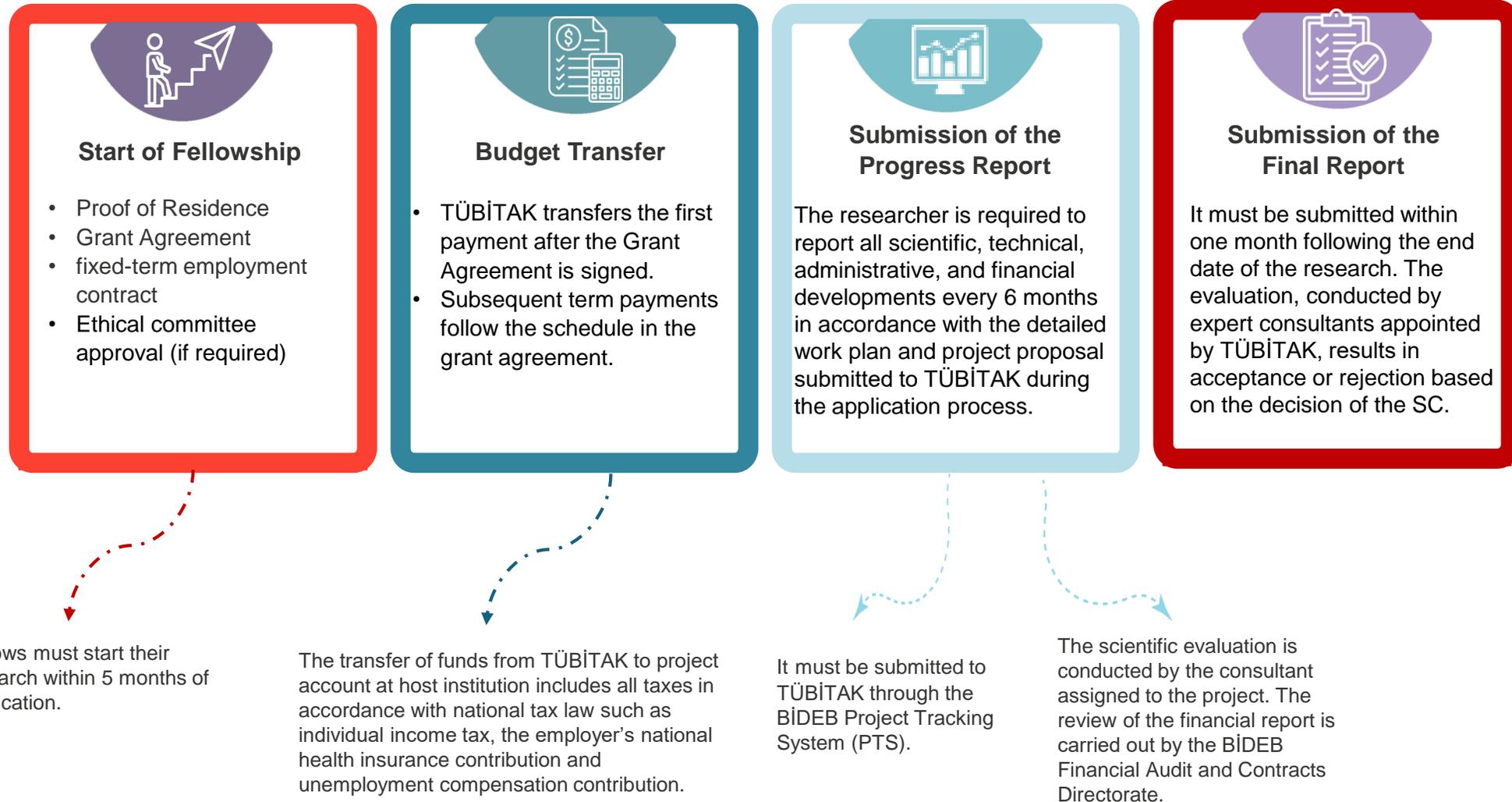
Preparation of the Grant Agreement within 5 months



- Applicants may submit a *redress request* within **1 week** after results are announced.
- Requests must focus **only on procedural issues**, not on expert judgments.
- **One request per proposal** is allowed.
- If accepted, the proposal will be **re-evaluated** based on the original submission only.
- If the new score qualifies for funding, it will be supported from **subsequent call funds**.



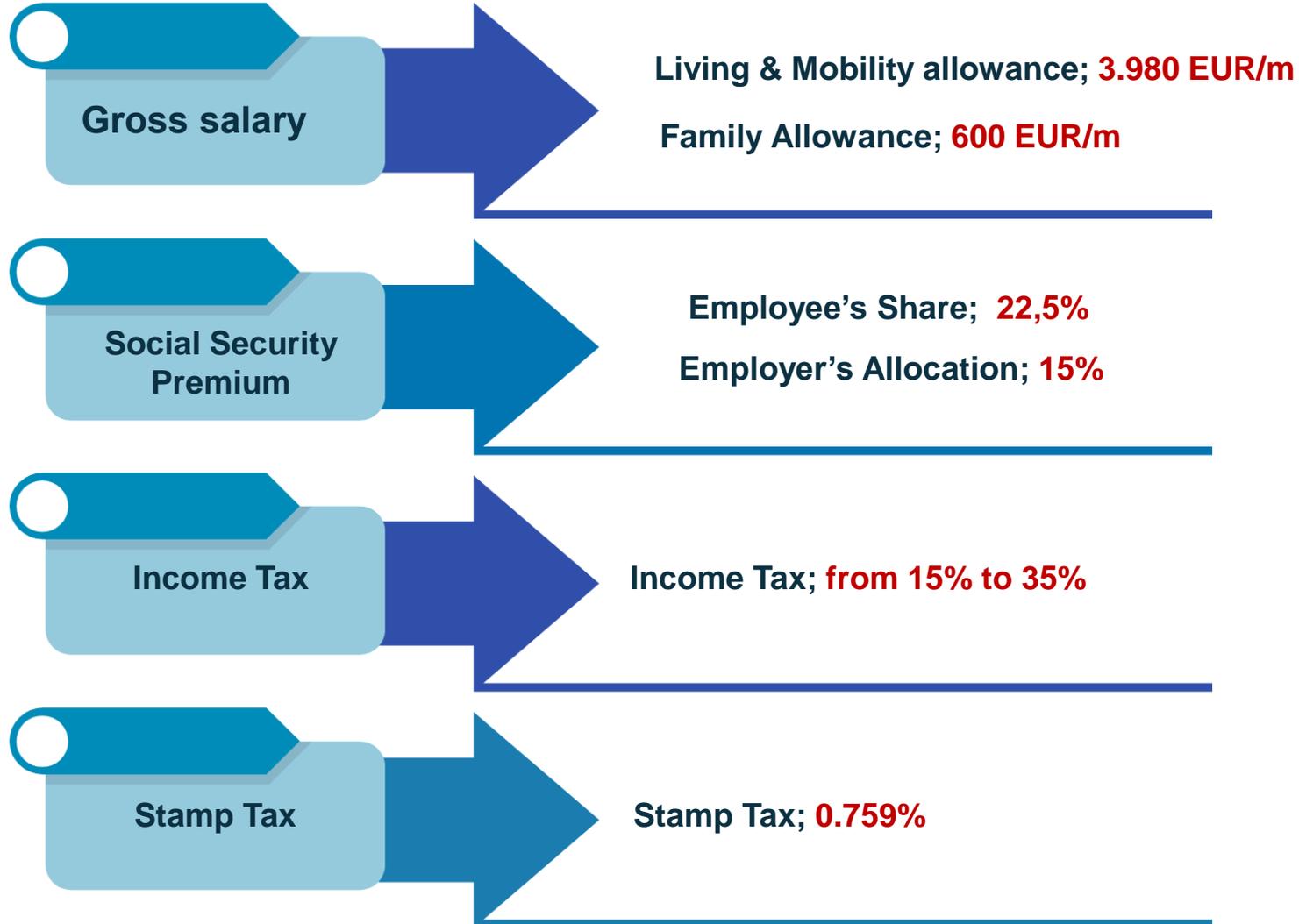
The Right  
to Redress



BUDGET AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT CODES		BUDGET GRANTED (€)	DISTRIBUTION OF APPROVED BUDGET PERIOD				
			Starting Date	1st Term	2nd Term	3rd Term	Final Report
03.1.1.02	Living & Mobility allowance	95.520	31.840	23.880	23.880	15.920	0
03.5.1.02	Research, Training and Networking costs	24.000	24.000	0	0		0
07.1.5.90	Host institution budget	4.320	0	1.080	1.080	2.160	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>123.840</b>	<b>41.280</b>	<b>30.960</b>	<b>30.960</b>	<b>20.640</b>	<b>0</b>



The tax system in Türkiye is progressive. The higher is your income, the higher the rate at which you will pay the tax



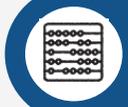
Fellow will approximately be paid between **€2.390** and **€1.822** as net monthly salary.

**All deductions will be made in Turkish Lira**, in accordance with the relevant Turkish tax legislation.

**Entrepreneurship Allowance:** Fellows may express their interest in receiving the Entrepreneurship Allowance until the 12th month of their project. Eligible fellows will receive **€250 monthly**.

**Travel allowance:** The cost of **incoming** travel tickets will be reimbursed up to **€1,200** and will be reflected in the institutional budget as a monthly allocation of 50 EUR

## Eligible Cost Categories

Equipment, machinery, hardware, software, and publication purchase expenses 

Material and consumables expenses 

Maintenance and repair expenses for equipment used within the project 

Domestic and international assignment & travel expenses 



Using the **effective buying rate** of the bank

- Project expenditures shall be carried out by the authorised spending officer and financial implementation officer designated by the host institution/organisation.
- Financial documents related to expenditures must be submitted to the **TTS**.



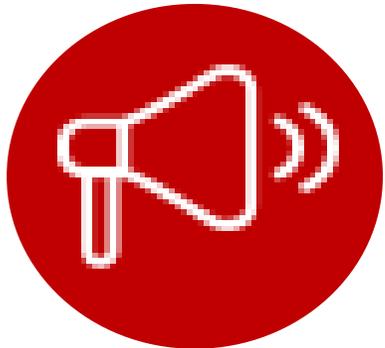


## ❑ Publications

- ❑ As a minimum, each fellow must deliver two peer reviewed publications in international journals
- ❑ Each fellow must participate in at least two international events.
- ❑ Minimum of two public engagement events per year.
- ❑ In industry, they are encouraged to collaborate on patents.

## ❑ Open Access

- ❑ All fellows must deposit their peer-reviewed publications to ensure Open Access. TÜBİTAK encourages all CoCirculation3 fellows to deposit their peer reviewed publications in open access mode, in a repository of their choice.



## ❑ Additional Duties

- Fellows may involve in teaching, lecture and other activities of host institution up to 140 hours per year.
- In the case where a fellow plan to travel out of Turkey he/she must abide by the related regulations of the host institution and must notify CS via email.
- It is the responsibility of the fellow to inform TÜBİTAK in writing of any change of postal address, telephone, or email within two weeks of such a change

**Will the project budget be transferred to the host institution?**

Yes. The host institution will handle taxes and other deductions under the fixed-term employment contract with the researcher and will make payments to the researcher accordingly.

**Will the project budget be transferred to the host institution in EURO or in TL?**  
It will be transferred in EURO.

**Are there spending limits for research budget items in the project budget? (e.g., consumables, equipment, etc.)**

No. Purchases for project needs can be made without a minimum limit, as long as invoices or other relevant documents are provided.

**Is it mandatory to employ the researcher?**

Yes. The researcher must be employed through a fixed-term employment contract limited to the project duration.

**Can the fee paid by the researcher for the work permit application be reimbursed from the project budget?**

Yes.

**Does TÜBİTAK obtain the work permit for the researcher?**

No. The researcher applies personally through EMUAFİYET and must select the host institution as the employer. (<https://emuafiyet.csgb.gov.tr/> )

**What happens if the project is not completed within the project duration?**

An extension of up to 6 months without additional budget may be granted. However, the researcher cannot receive salary payments during this period.

**Can the host institution/supervisor be changed?**

Yes. However, the reason for the change will be evaluated and can only be approved by the SC decision.



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