

TÜBİTAK-DAAD International Exchange Program

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The call is open between 1 October 2026 and 1 February 2027

IMPORTANT

Project partners in Türkiye should submit their project applications to The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK) [project application system](#) and project partners in Germany should submit their project applications to German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) via this [DAAD website](#). 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://tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/2024-08/1071_arastirma_projeleri_surec_dokumani.pdf

Applicants in German side should contact the DAAD directly before submitting their proposals.

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Call launched: 1 October 2026

Deadline (TÜBİTAK): 1 February 2027, 23.59 (Turkish local time)

Deadline for e-signatures (TÜBİTAK): 8 February 2027, 23.59 (Turkish local time)

Deadline (DAAD): 1 February 2027

Anticipated start date of projects: January 2028

1. Preamble and Objectives of the Call

In the framework of the Protocol on Cooperation in Science and Technology between the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK) and German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), **both parties invite universities and research institutions to submit joint proposals for scientific and technological research and development (R&D) projects.** Private sector is also eligible to submit a research project proposal for TÜBİTAK only.

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.

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.

This call is open for applications in all scientific and technological areas. **There is no targeted thematic focus.**

2. What is funded

As a rule, **Turkish partners** that are eligible for funding can receive **up to 2.000.000 Turkish Liras per project. Overhead and Project Incentive Premium will not be paid for projects.**

The budget items stated below will be funded by TÜBİTAK:

- **Travel Expenses**
 - Travel Expenses for Domestic Field Work
 - Domestic or Foreign Travel Expenses for Non-Field Activities
 - Travel Expenses under Bilateral Cooperation
- **Representation and Promotion Expenses** (Maximum 85.000 Turkish Liras)
- **Scholarship Student Expenses**

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 Türkiye to Germany.

In addition, **German partners** that are eligible for funding can receive **up to 10.000 EUR per year.**

TÜBİTAK-funded costs of each grant will be issued and managed by TÜBİTAK in accordance with the rules of [TÜBİTAK 1071 Programme](#).

Similarly, DAAD-funded costs of each grant will be issued and managed by DAAD 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.

3. Who can apply

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

In Turkish side, 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 detailed information on the eligibility for Turkish team, please visit [here](#).

All relevant information for German partners can be found on this [DAAD website](#).

4. Proposal Submission

The Joint Call will be open for applications between 1 October 2026 and 1 February 2027 through online application systems of TÜBİTAK and DAAD. Turkish partners will make their joint online application via TÜBİTAK's online system, <https://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr>, while German partners will make their online application through DAAD's online application system via this [DAAD website](#).

- 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 DAAD. **TÜBİTAK and DAAD 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. For detailed information, please visit [here](#). Submission of proposals by fax or e-mail will not be accepted.
- For Turkish side, in case there are two or more institutions within the same project, Turkish institutions should submit a single joint proposal. Researchers can serve as principal investigator in more than one project application within the scope of this call.
- The duration of the projects should not exceed 24 months and total duration of international visits should not exceed 90 days per year for Turkish side.
- TÜBİTAK strongly recommends signing an agreement on the ownership and management of intellectual property rights arising from the joint research and development activities between project partners. This agreement must specify the distribution of rights, rules for exploitation, IP management procedures, and the competent court and applicable law for dispute resolution.

The drafting, negotiation, and finalization of this agreement are the sole responsibility of the project partners. The participating funding agencies do not provide or endorse any model agreement. The terms agreed by the partners must not conflict with national laws, regulations, terms and conditions of TÜBİTAK and DAAD. The signed agreement must be submitted to TÜBİTAK and DAAD upon request.

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

5. Evaluation

- The proposals that are deemed eligible will be evaluated by TÜBİTAK and DAAD in line with their own rules and regulations.
- Following the scientific evaluation, TÜBİTAK and DAAD will share a comprehensive list with each other regarding their evaluation results.
- Only the project proposals, which will be approved by TÜBİTAK and DAAD will be supported.