

## **Tunisian-Turkish Bilateral Cooperation**

### **MHESR- TÜBİTAK**

#### **2019 Joint Call for Proposals**

The Tunisian Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MHESR) and The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) invite Tunisian and Turkish researchers active in research to submit joint proposals for scientific and technological cooperation.

#### **1. Background and objectives**

MHESR and TÜBİTAK support cooperation between Turkish and Tunisian institutions in scientific research, technological development and education for the preparation and implementation of joint projects, organisation of joint scientific workshops and exchange of individual scientists.

#### **2. Legal Basis**

With reference to the Agreement on Science and Technological Cooperation between the governments of the Republic of Tunisia and the Republic of Turkey signed on 22 March 2001 in Ankara, and the Executive Protocol on Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the two governments signed on 8 March 2012, the Tunisian Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MHESR) and the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) invite Tunisian and Turkish researchers to submit joint proposals for scientific research and development projects.

#### **3. Thematic Fields**

The thematic fields for project proposals must be one of the following:

- Renewable energy and energy efficiency
- Environmental Issues and Marine Sciences
- Information and Communication Technologies
- Health Sciences
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence
- Engineering, Science and Technology

#### **4. Who can apply?**

The proposals should involve one or more research entities from both sides. The joint application must include one Turkish and one Tunisian Principal Investigator, who will be responsible for the technical as well as administrative coordination of the Project and its periodic scientific and financial reporting to MHESR and TÜBİTAK respectively.

## 5. Duration of projects

The duration of each Project should not exceed **36 months**.

## 6. Project Budget

Funds will be awarded as non-repayable grants.

- [For Tunisian Project members](#)

The budget allocated for **Research and Innovation Projects** is: **30.000TND/per year/ per project**

- [For Turkish Project members](#)

Research expenditure support will be provided with a maximum amount of **720.000,00 TRY/per project** (not including Project Incentive Fees (PTI) and Overheads).

This joint call for proposal enables scientific visits from one side to the other (from Turkey to Tunisia and vice-versa). The Receiving Party will take in charge the accommodation expenses, while the Sending Party has to cover the international flight expenses.

## 7. Decision Making Procedure

Full proposals will be evaluated jointly by MHESR and TÜBİTAK. A joint list of projects eligible for funding will be announced on each institution's official website.

## 8. Submission

Tunisian and Turkish applicants shall prepare joint applications using the same application form. Identical applications in English shall be submitted to both MHESR and TÜBİTAK. More information on the application procedure will be provided in the webpage of each institution.

**Unilateral applications are not accepted and will be returned without evaluation.**

- [In Tunisia](#)

**Tunisian researchers must apply using this link:** <https://goo.gl/6nfnZB>

**The deadline for online applications is 19 April, 2019.**

**Kindly note the following:**

- Remember to complete all sections of the application.
- Please attach the necessary documents in **PDF file in the following order: CV of both research teams and the Letter of Intent exchanged between the Principal Investigators of the project.**
- Complete applications have to be addressed to the host University for Verification before being forwarded to the MHESR for evaluation.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Applications that do not meet the eligibility criteria will not be considered.
- One hard copy of the proposal has to be submitted to the following address **before 26 April 2019:**

***Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research  
Directorate General of Scientific Research  
Address: Avenue Ouled Haffouz, Tunis, 1030 TUNISIA  
Tel.: +216 71 835 351  
Fax: +216 71 835 351 |+216 71 833 450***

- **In Turkey**

Turkish researchers must apply using the online submission system provided through the following link:<http://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr>

The deadline for online applications is **19 April, 2019**. After completion of the online application, the system will generate the forms and documents which must be signed and sent to TÜBİTAK using the address indicated hereinafter, by no later than **8 May, 2019**.

**Address for signed documents**

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