



## TÜBİTAK-BIF CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Joint international R&D and innovation projects will be funded within the framework of the bilateral agreement signed between The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK) and the Belarusian Innovation Fund (BIF).

The applicants who wish to propose joint projects within the framework of TÜBİTAK - BIF Cooperation Program should find Turkish/Belarusian project partner by themselves. TÜBİTAK and BIF do not interfere in matching the collaborating partners.

Turkish and Belarusian partners shall prepare a joint scientific project. Teams from each country must designate a national scientific coordinator. Projects should be submitted to respective funding agencies by each national scientific coordinator. Applications are accepted throughout the year. There are three cut-off dates to collect applications: **January 31, May 31 and September 30.**

TÜBİTAK and BIF will evaluate the project proposals according to their scientific evaluation criteria. Both organizations will exchange their scientific evaluation results, and only the overlapping projects that are found acceptable for both parties will be funded.

Only R&D and innovation projects submitted by private sector will be funded in this competition. Higher education institutions, training and research hospitals, and public entities can apply to the call on the condition that at least one principal investigator from private sector takes part in the consortium. Basic research projects are not the focus in this program. Instead, the projects, focusing on research and experimental development (R&D), technologically new or improved product and technological process innovation, are expected. Within the framework of this call, projects with the following objectives are planned to be supported:

- Producing a new product
- Raising the product quality of standards
- Developing new techniques to reduce costs and increase standards
- Developing new production technologies

Proposals may be submitted in the following thematic areas:

1. Digital information and communication and interdisciplinary technologies in health and production based on them
2. Biological, medical, pharmaceutical and chemical technologies and production based on them
3. Energy efficiency, bioenergy, ecology and rational use of natural resources
4. Advanced material technologies
5. Agro-industrial and food technologies.

The projects will be implemented through the exchange of researchers and knowledge. Based on the respective bilateral agreement between TÜBİTAK and BIF, each party will cover the costs of their own national team. While submitting the project proposal form, the costs which are requested in the scope of the project must be stated in detail and justified. In case of any exchange of researchers within the scope of the projects, the sending party covers costs related with travel, lodging and allowances according to its own regulations and allowances. The provisions of Law No. 6245 will be applied for the Turkish team during their scientific visits from Türkiye to Belarus. For each project, the total duration of scientific visits from Türkiye to Belarus or vice versa should not exceed 60 days per year. TÜBİTAK will fund Turkish side in accordance with the principles of [TÜBİTAK 1071 Program](#).

CALL SNAPSHOT	
<b>Project Submission</b>	<p>Proposals may be submitted at any time. Three cut-off dates are available to collect applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- January 31</li><li>- May 31</li><li>- September 30</li></ul> <p>Submission tool for Turkish applicants: <a href="https://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr">https://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr</a> Submission tool for Belarusian applicants:</p> <p><b>NOTE (Türkiye): Applications will be accepted with e-signature without exception. Accordingly, members of the Turkish project groups should have personal e-signatures. Please <a href="#">click</a> for more information about e-signature process.</b></p>
<b>Announcement of results</b>	Scientific selection takes about 4 to 6 months.
<b>Proposal requirements</b>	R&D and Innovation Projects
<b>Funding Duration</b>	Up to 24 months

<p><b>Specific Research Priority Areas</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Digital information and communication and interdisciplinary technologies in health and production based on them</li> <li>2. Biological, medical, pharmaceutical and chemical technologies and production based on them</li> <li>3. Energy efficiency, bioenergy, ecology and rational use of natural resources</li> <li>4. Advanced material technologies</li> <li>5. Agro-industrial and food technologies</li> </ol>	
<p><b>Eligible applicant</b></p>	<p><b>For Turkish Team</b></p> <p>Private companies creating added value and having Trade Registry Certificate. Higher education institutes and public entities can apply only if there is a project partner from private sector in the consortium. For more information please see <a href="#">1071 program rules</a>.</p>	<p><b>For Belarusian Team</b></p> <p>According to the Decision of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus August 13, 2003 N 1065</p>
<p><b>Award parameters</b></p>	<p><b>TÜBİTAK</b> funds up to 2.000.000 Turkish Liras (excl. overhead and Project Incentive Premium (PIP) per project. Funding rate is 60% for large companies, 75% for SMEs and 100% for higher education and research institutions.</p>	<p>Belarusian side funds up to 60 000 BYN per project.</p>
<p><b>Forms and guidelines</b></p>	<p>Turkish applicants are strongly advised to carefully read the <a href="#">1071 program rules</a>.</p>	<p>According to the Decision of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus August 13, 2003 N 1065</p>
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