

**Implementation Programme
of the
Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation
between the National Research Council of Italy and the Scientific and Technological
Research Council of Turkey**

In accordance to the provisions of the Article 2.2. of the Agreement between the National Research Council of Italy (CNR) and the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) – hereinafter referred to as “Parties” – have agreed on the following Implementation Programme:

**Article 1
Forms of Cooperation**

The Parties will promote the cooperation between Italian researchers from CNR Institutes and Turkish researchers and research centres through the following form of cooperation:

- Joint research projects

**Article 2
Implementation**

This mode of cooperation will be conducted as follows:

- a. The Parties will publish simultaneously a Call for Proposals in May/June every two years.
- b. The joint research projects will be implemented on specific subjects with the participation of scientists from each country and will be mutually agreed by both sides.
- c. Project proposals have to 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.
- d. For the joint research and development project proposals, Turkish scientists must submit the required signed documents to TÜBİTAK after completion of the online application procedure in accordance with rules and regulations of TÜBİTAK, while CNR researchers must submit the project proposals to CNR using the required online procedure and format which may be decided by CNR. All proposals shall be submitted for evaluation and approval simultaneously to TÜBİTAK and CNR.
- e. Both parties, CNR and TÜBİTAK will
 - gather all the applications from their respective sides,
 - evaluate them separately,
 - exchange prioritized lists by the beginning of December every two years.

- f. Only those proposals which are approved by both parties will be supported.
- g. The joint research projects will be expected to start in January every two years.
- h. The execution period of a joint research project should not exceed two years. The total duration of visits in one direction of a specific project should not be more than two months a year.
- i. The list of joint research projects mutually approved (those best evaluated by each Party) shall be annexed to this Implementation Programme.
- j. Besides the financial support towards the exchange of project researchers mentioned above, TÜBİTAK may provide additional research funds to their project teams whenever it consider it appropriate.

Article 3 Funding

- a. For the selected projects in annex, CNR will provide up to 3,000 Euros per year to each of the Italian project teams, and TÜBİTAK will provide up to 360.000 Turkish Liras to the Turkish project teams. These project budget limits can be modified in case of change of the rules and regulations of the Parties.
- b. The number of projects and any other cooperative activities to be supported each year will be contingent upon funding availability in each Party's budget, which will be defined for each call under the terms of this Implementation Programme.

Each party will cover the costs of the participant researchers from its own country. The above mentioned "costs" will cover in connection with the approved projects:

- travel expenses between Italy and Turkey
 - daily allowance, accommodations, and domestic travel in the receiving country and the participants' own country
 - a quota of the research costs
- c. Both Parties shall eventually re-evaluate the amount of the funds to the selected project in relation to the inflation.

Article 4 Medical insurance

Persons participating in the implementation of this Agreement are informed about the insurance and medical services of the host country. No responsibility rests on either Party for costs that may occur for insurance and medical treatment.

Article 5
Duration and Termination

- a. The present CNR-TÜBİTAK Implementation Programme remains valid during the effective duration of the Agreement signed by CNR and TÜBİTAK.
- b. Amendments to this CNR-TÜBİTAK Implementation Programme may be proposed by each Party. Such amendments will become effective when both Parties have mutually agreed upon them, in writing.

This Implementation Programme is signed in 2 authentic originals in English both being equally valid.

For the National Research Council
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