

**Multilateral R&D Programmes**

S&T funding programme, funded and implemented by more than two countries

### Programme title: The Black Sea Basin Joint Operational Programme (Black Sea JOP)

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**Involved Countries:** Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Georgia, Moldova, Russian Federation, Turkey, Ukraine, Romania, and Greece.

**Programme type :** Multilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2007-2013

#### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

The Black Sea Basin Joint Operational Programme (Black Sea JOP) is a programme under the European Neighbourhood & Partnership Instrument (ENPI) of the EU. It aims to contribute to: **“a stronger and sustainable economic and social development of the regions of the Black Sea Basin”**.

The programme's three **specific objectives**, are:

Promoting economic and social development in the border areas

Working together to address common challenges

Promoting local, people-to-people cooperation

#### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

**Type of organizations:** central public authorities (Eg: Ministry of Environment), local/regional public authorities (e.g. city councils), bodies governed by public law (contracting authorities as defined by the national legislations transposing Directive 2004/18/EC on public procurement), associations formed by one or several national, regional or local public authorities or one or several bodies governed by public law, public undertakings as defined in Directive 2004/17/EC, other non profit organizations, Euroregions, EGTC.

**Legal personality and location of the organizations:** Organisations are registered and located in the eligible area of the programme or their headquarters are registered located outside the programme area in projects implemented in the eligible area - but in one of the ten participating countries - and have local/regional subsidiary/branch offices established in the eligible area. In this latter case, the following alternatives are possible:

- in case of a subsidiary (having legal personality) the subsidiary shall be the Applicant, and in case of contracting, it shall be the Beneficiary;
- in case of a branch (not having legal personality) the central organization shall be the Applicant, and in case of contracting, it shall be the Beneficiary.

#### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

All project related costs are eligible. More specifically:

- cost of staff assigned to the Action, corresponding to actual salaries including statutory deductions and other remuneration-related cost
- travel and subsistence costs for staff and other persons taking part in the Action;
- purchase (new) or rental (new or used) costs for equipment and supplies specifically for the purposes of the Action, and costs of services;
- costs of consumables;
- subcontracting expenditure;
- costs deriving directly from the requirements of the Grant Contract (dissemination of information, evaluation specific to the Action, expenditure verification, translation, reproduction, insurance, etc.) including financial service costs (in particular the cost of transfers and financial guarantees);
  - any other cost necessary for the implementation of the Action, in line with the national legislations and the Budget of the Action.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)

The applications received are evaluated by a Selection Committee (SC), incorporating 5 members, representatives of the participating countries appointed on a rotation basis and a number of external experts depending on the workload and specificities of the Call. The Selection Committee checks the administrative compliance of the application and the eligibility of the project in parallel, and then proceeds with the technical evaluation of the applications that have passed the eligibility check.

The entire evaluation procedure with the Selection Committee recommendations is recorded in an Evaluation report, submitted to the Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC), consisting of one representative from each participating country, for approval.

Based on the formal approval of the list of projects by the Joint Monitoring Committee, the Joint Managing Authority (i.e. the institution that has been given the responsibility for the overall management) announces publically the selected projects

### Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)

In order for a Project proposal to be eligible for financing under the Black Sea JOP, the project must be dropping into one of the following categories:

- **Integrated projects** with different activities in several countries that jointly achieve a certain objective having a cross border impact;
- **Symmetrical projects** with the same activities in all countries participating in the project;
- **Single projects**, implemented mainly or entirely in a single partner-country but having a cross-border impact.
- In addition:
- Projects should always have a cross-border impact.
- Priority will be given to integrated projects.
- The recommended financial size and the number of partners involved in each project partnership will be defined in the calls for proposals.

The projects will be implemented by partnerships that will always involve partners from both EU Member States and non-EU partner countries. The participation of Turkish partners is only possible in tripartite projects involving at least one partner from a Member State and one partner from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine or Russia.

### Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)

The programme is designed for projects involving a number of partners from different countries, focusing at the local level, in order to enhance cross-border cooperation.

### Special remarks (max. 200 characters)

### **Programme title: The Project Development Fund (PDF) of the Organisation of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC)**

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**Programme type:** Multilateral

**Programme start, end:** No fixed duration

#### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)**

The PDF was established in 2002 and reorganised in 2008, for the purpose of **facilitating the elaboration and promotion of projects with a high degree of regional cooperation** and a focus on economic development in the BSEC region, at the early stage of their conception.

The PDF provides financial support to eligible proposals that are able to lead to specifically targeted projects whose full scale implementation will contribute in enhancing regional cooperation and economic development in the BSEC region.

The PDF operates on the principle of **voluntary contributions from the BSEC Member States, BSEC Related Bodies, BSEC Observers and Third Party donors** including States, International Institutions and Organizations as well as the private sector.

#### **Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)**

Only entities from the Member States who made their voluntary contributions can benefit from the Fund. For those entities from the Member States that did not yet contribute, the issue is solved on a case-by-case basis. Eligible recipients are any legal entities from the BSEC Member States, established according to the relevant internal legal procedures and registered with the authorities, if necessary, whose proposals will be supported by their national authorities.

#### **What is funded? (max. 200 characters)**

Financing is provided in the form of grants the purpose being to fund any type of operation (study, concept and small scale development, demonstration activities, business plan etc.) leading up to the stage of pre-feasibility study.

Projects of a purely scientific nature or academic scope are not eligible for funding if there is no clear regional economic component as well as a feasible plan for commercialising the project's practical applications.

Costs eligible to be funded are those directly related to the project: (i) salaries and fees, (ii) travel expenses, accommodation and per diems, meeting costs and (iii) publications, consumables and other duly justified expenses.

The maximum duration of a project to be funded is 12 months while the maximum contribution to each project is 30000 €.

#### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)**

PDF Applications are (1) submitted for assessment and endorsement to the corresponding BSEC Working Group, (2) forwarded to the Committee of Senior Officials and then (3) to the PDF Steering Committee for a final decision on funding. In some cases, this process may last a few months depending on the dates of the Working Group meetings.

#### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

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- The expected outputs of the PDF project should further the principles and objectives of the BSEC. The full scale implementation of the targeted project should clearly result in specific benefits towards the economic development of the BSEC region.
- The expected outcome of the PDF project must be relevant to the proposed project objectives, feasible and sufficiently described, and should fit into the context of the overall development project (the targeted project).
- The extent to which the final deliverables of the PDF project will move the targeted project toward implementation and how this will occur, the reasonableness of the time frame and the strategy to attract the necessary funds.
- The extent to which the applicants have the proven capabilities to manage human and financial resources as well as the technical and professional expertise to implement the project activities and produce the respective deliverables. This applies to the Lead Partner, in particular, who bears responsibility for the overall project plan including the Timetable for operations, estimated costs and project management structure which must be cost efficient, reasonable and effective.
- The involvement of as many BSEC countries as possible would be preferable.
- The extent of the applicants' capacity to contribute additional financial or in-kind resources to the PDF project together with their planning and capacity to attract funds for the future implementation of the targeted project.
- The extent to which the project proposal seems attractive to BSEC and non-BSEC institutions and donors thus making its implementation realistic.
- The extent to which the project seems attractive to the BSTDB as well as other financial institutions (the degree of the project's bankability).
- The proposed project should seek to increase synergies between BSEC, the EU and other international BSEC institutional partners.

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

International Cooperation is the main aim of the BSEC Project Development Fund since at least three legal entities from three different Member States need to participate in each project. There are many opportunities and potential to advance international cooperation through this scheme.

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

### **Programme title: The BSEC Hellenic Development Fund (BSEC-HDF)**

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**Involved Countries:** Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Georgia, Hellenic Republic, Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Turkey, Ukraine

**Programme type:** Multilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2008-2011

#### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)**

The BSEC-HDF is a financial instrument, which – taking also into account the guidelines of the Development Assistance Committee of the Organisation for the Economic Cooperation and Development (DAC/OECD) – aims at supporting the efforts of the BSEC to strengthen regional cooperation among its Member States and to enhance its project-oriented approach. It was established in 2008. The BSEC-HDF is set up as a voluntary contribution from the Hellenic Republic. The grants provided by BSEC-HDF are considered to be BSEC grants.

#### **Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)**

Any legal entity registered and operating in the territory of a BSEC Member State from the public or the private sector, as well as international organizations (governmental or non-governmental) is eligible to benefit from the BSEC-HDF.

#### **What is funded? (max. 200 characters)**

The BSEC-HDF will be a flexible mechanism targeting the following specific key areas of regional cooperation: transport, renewable energy sources, environmental protection, business cooperation and trade facilitation, tourism, as well as culture. Financing to be provided by the BSEC-HDF will be offered through grants, amounting to at least 50000 Euros each. The grants do not exceed 80% of the total eligible costs with the other 20% covered by the project partners. Proposals eligible to be funded by the BSEC-HDF could include: small scale infrastructure projects, networks and capacity building that promote innovation and regional development. The maximum duration of the funded projects will be 24 months. Eligible costs are: (a) Staff costs, (b) Travel, accommodation and subsistence allowances, (c) Costs of services, (d) Administration costs and (e) Eligible indirect costs – Overheads

#### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)**

1. Every two years, a Committee comprising of the BSEC PERMISS Secretary General, the BSEC PERMISS Executive Manager, and a representative of the Greek MFA will issue a call for project proposals, setting priority areas and guidelines, as well as stating the available funding for projects. This call for project proposals will be communicated to the BSEC Member States through PERMISS, posted to the BSEC PERMISS and BSEC-HDF sites, as well as to other relevant websites. Applications will be receivable for a period of one year after the abovementioned call for project proposals, provided funds are still available.

- A standard grant application form is approved by the Committee and can be obtained through the BSEC PERMISS. The signed and stamped grant application should be sent to the Committee by regular post in two (2) copies (hard copy) and also sent by email (e-copy).
- Applications should be submitted by at least two entities, from two BSEC Member States which are established according to the relevant internal legal procedures and registered, if necessary, with the national authorities. Applications from international organisations are waived from this requirement, but the proposals should cover at least two different BSEC Member States.

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- The BSEC-HDF Manager receives the applications, checks the eligibility and evaluates their merits. Information on all project proposals shall be sent by the BSEC-HDF manager for consideration to the Ministries of Foreign Affairs of BSEC Member States. The proposals are considered eligible, if no objection by the Member States concerned reaches PERMIS within 30 calendar days after above mentioned communication.
- After this initial evaluation all applications are submitted to the Committee, which decides on the award of the grant according to the criteria mentioned in the “Evaluation Grid” in Annex 1.
- Applications with missing information or documents will also be submitted to the Committee, which will decide whether the application should be definitely rejected or if contacts with the applicants may be pursued by the BSEC-HDF Manager, in order to complete it.
- The Committee shall communicate to the BSEC Member States the projects approved.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

Selection criteria among others include:

- Compliance with the BSEC goals
- Promoting Regional Cooperation
- Relevance to the objectives of the grant scheme
- Feasibility of the project proposal
- Expertise of the partners involved
- Sustainability of the activities of the project

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

Promoting international cooperation is one of the key elements of the HDF since for example eligible proposals must be submitted by at least two legal entities from two BSEC Member States.

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

The HDF is not yet in operation. The Manual of Operation is still to be developed and agreed upon.

**Programme title: NATO Science for peace and security**

**Web page:** [http://www.nato.int/science/nato\\_funded\\_activities/nato\\_funded\\_activities.htm](http://www.nato.int/science/nato_funded_activities/nato_funded_activities.htm)

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**Involved Countries:** Scientists in NATO, Partner and Mediterranean Dialogue countries

**Programme type :** multilateral

**Programme start, end:** open

**Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)**

The Science for Peace and Security Programme offers grants to scientists in NATO, Partner and Mediterranean Dialogue countries to collaborate on priority research topics, which include NATO priorities and additional Partner country priorities.

Proposals for nationally-funded activities (Pilot Studies, Short-term Projects or Topical Workshops) are brought to the attention of the SPS Committee by the national representatives of the sponsoring Alliance or Partner nations and can address any subject within areas which are outlined in the Key Priorities defined by the SPS Committee. The Key Priorities fall into three broad categories:

- Defence against terrorism;
- Countering other threats to security;
- Computer Networking Support for Partner countries

**Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)**

Applications for support on topics in the priority areas are prepared jointly by working scientists in eligible countries of the Euro Atlantic Partnership Council (EAPC) and countries of the Mediterranean Dialogue. The collaboration must be between scientists in NATO countries on the one hand, and scientists in eligible Partner countries or Mediterranean Dialogue countries on the other. Complete list can be found at [http://www.nato.int/science/nato\\_funded\\_activities/who\\_can\\_apply.htm](http://www.nato.int/science/nato_funded_activities/who_can_apply.htm)

**What is funded? (max. 200 characters)**

By means of a small yearly budget, the SPS Programme is able to provide financial assistance to cover transportation and/or living expenses of experts who would otherwise have difficulty attending meetings of SPS Programme Pilot Studies, Short-term Projects or Topical workshops. Exceptionally the SPS Programme can provide partial funding for some organizational expenses. This provision is applied primarily to meetings held in Partner countries

The SPS Support Grant Programme may, subject to the availability of funds, be used to enable participation of experts from NATO countries, eligible EAPC Partner countries and Mediterranean Dialogue countries. Other countries are not eligible for such funding. As a general rule, funding is provided for only one expert from any given country. Support Grants are made to the Project Directors who then distribute the funds to the experts.

- Pilot Studies (SPS PS) are activities which last three to five years.
- Short-Term Projects (SPS STP) are activities which focus on a specific topic and last between 12 and 24 months.
- Topical Workshops (SPS WS) are activities which are held either as single or recurring events.

**Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)**



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There is a specific application form for each support mechanism. The completed applications are submitted to NATO Headquarters, where they undergo international peer review. Applications may be submitted at any time, but three deadlines are set each year to meet the three review sessions of the scientific advisory panels. Science for Peace (SfP) projects have a two-step evaluation procedure. The first step involves submitting a short SfP application. The relevant Advisory Panel then selects the best SfP project ideas and NATO invites the applicants of selected short SfP applications to submit a full Project Plan. For this second step the applicants receive a Planning Grant to cover the costs of the preparation of the Project Plan and its presentation to the relevant Advisory Panel.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

The primary criteria for the approval of activities are the acknowledgement by nations of their suitability for pursuit within the SPS framework, the expressed interest of a sufficient number of nations to work collectively on them and the willingness of these nations to commit the necessary resources.

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

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**Programme title:** CEI Research Fellowship Programme (CERES)

**Web page:** <http://www.ceinet.org/main.php?pageID=414>

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**Programme type :** multilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2009 - 2012

### Aim and scope (max. 300 characters)

The CEI Research Fellowship Programme – CERES, co-funded by the FR7/People – Marie Curie Actions, is meant to promote transnational mobility (incoming) of scientists.

It envisages 30 post doctoral fellowships to be distributed over a period of 44 months (2009 – 2012). The duration of the fellowship is 12 months.

The Programme officially started on 1st April 2009 and will function through annual calls of proposals to be assessed by a Selection Committee established *ad hoc*.

### Who can apply? (max. 200 characters)

Experienced researchers (researchers already in possession of a PhD or having at least 4 years of professional research experience) from CEI Member States.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

Selected applicants receive:

- a living allowance intended to cover normal living expenses for one person during the fellowship period;
- a travel / mobility allowance intended to cover 1 return ticket to and from the host country, plus eventual participation to scientific meetings during the fellowship period;
- medical insurance and social benefits.

The contribution of the fellowship has an indicative average value of 24.500€/year, including social security and employment costs.

### Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)

**Nationality:** CERES Fellowships are awarded to nationals from CEI Member States.

**Degree requirements:** CERES Fellowships are awarded to “experienced researchers”, i.e. to candidates holding a PhD or having at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience;

**Language requirements:** fluency in the English language is mandatory.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)

If two applications receive the same positive assessment, priority shall be given to female candidates and then to the younger candidate.

In line with the CEI role of bringing non-EU CEI Member States closer to the fulfilment of their EU aspirations, CERES pays special attention to candidates from countries with low R&D intensity.

### Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)

### Special remarks (max. 200 characters)

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**Programme title:** CEI programme on Cooperation activities

**Web page:** <http://www.ceinet.org/main.php?pageID=28>

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**Involved Countries:** Albania, Austria, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia and Ukraine.

**Programme type :** multilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2007-2009

### **Aim and scope (max. 300 characters)**

The programme objective is the strengthening cooperation among CEI member states.

Cooperation activities cover the full range of CEI activities. They are generally small in scale, limited in time and frequently take the form of seminars, workshops, training courses or other kinds of meetings.

The areas of cooperation are: Culture, Science and Technology.

### **Who can apply? (max. 200 characters)**

All public and private bodies in CEI Member States as well as international organisations and other regional bodies. It is established a minimum number of 5 beneficiaries from 5 different CEI member states.

### **What is funded? (max. 200 characters)**

Eligible costs are travel costs, consumables, dissemination, subsistence costs, conference logistic costs, translation costs, speakers costs.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

The selection process is based on the following criteria:

- Territorial Distribution of financed proposals
- Thematic/sector/area distribution of financed projects
- Availability of funds.

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)**

There is a common proposal form. It contains general information about the main applicants and the cooperation activity, description of the cooperation activity, organisation and administration, budget and expected sources of funding.

The proposals are collected continuously, with two deadlines per year.

They are submitted to the CEI Executive Secretariat, if the main applicant is an international organisation; if not, to CEI National Coordinators or to Competent CEI Focal Point in the main applicant member state.

Upon receipt of application the respective CEI Network of Focal Points will be invited to evaluate the proposed cooperation activity.

The results of evaluation are: recommended, approved and not recommended.

The evaluators are experts from the CEI Network of Focal Points (belonging to CEI member states ministries, research organisations or from private sector) and experts from CEI Executive Secretariat.

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

The Central European Initiative (CEI) was established in 1989 as the first forum promoting regional cooperation among the countries of Central and Eastern Europe.

Since its inception, the CEI has represented a platform for intensified multilateral cooperation activities.

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

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**Programme title:** Joint Operational Programme Romania-Ukraine-Republic of Moldova 2007-2013

**Web page:** <http://www.ro-ua-md.net>

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**Involved Countries:** Romania, Ukraine, and Republic of Moldova

**Programme type :** multilateral

**Programme start, end:** start July 2009, end - 2013

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)**

It aims at creating “bridges” among the three countries involved, in order to help the border areas overcome their similar development challenges, by working together and finding common solutions. Hence, instead of dividing, the border will unite the areas concerned.

In particular following Priorities can be funded:

Priority 1: Towards a more competitive border economy

- 1.1 Improving the productivity and competitiveness of the region's urban and rural areas by working across borders
- 1.2 Cross-border initiatives in transport, border infrastructure and energy

Priority 2: Environment Challenges and Emergency Preparedness

- 2.1 Addressing strategic cross-border environmental challenges including emergency preparedness.
- 2.2 Water supply, sewerage and waste management

Priority 3: People to People Co-operation

- 3.1 Local and regional governance, support to civil society and local communities.
- 3.2 Educational, social and cultural exchanges.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)**

Chambers of commerce, local and regional authorities, universities, other educational institutions such as business colleges , public entities supporting the work force (job creation centres, job exchange services etc), NGOs and formally constituted business and professional associations, public entities in charge with promoting tourism , association of small local municipalities and town administrations, bodies in charge with border crossing management, environmental agencies and agencies involved in water management and flood protection, universities and higher education institutes, emergency situations inspectorates, other statutory bodies involved in the development of emergency plans, county and regional waste, waste water management public bodies, NPOs, legally constituted voluntary bodies drawn from civil society and local communities, legally constituted voluntary groups including disadvantaged groups and cultural and social organisations, non-profit media associations.

The following areas will constitute the core area for the JOP RO-UA-MD:

- In Romania, the counties of Suceava, Botosani, Iasi, Vaslui. Galati, and Tulcea
- In Ukraine, the oblasts of Odessa, and Chernivetska
- In Republic of Moldova, the whole country

In addition, certain non-border adjacent areas, that may positively influence the cooperation in the border area, have been included.

### **What is funded? (max. 200 characters)**

- Formation of cross-border business networks to promote trade, visits and missions, marketing initiatives

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- The development of cross-border training for staff in SMEs in areas such as management, procurement,
- Joint activities of regional and local institutions related to capacity building initiatives and training
- The development of public sector led cross-border networks between local and regional authorities, universities and businesses to develop and enhance innovation and research.
- Improvement and development of new tourist which may increase the attractiveness of the cross-border areas.
- Development of tourism networks and information
- Elaboration of feasibility studies, technical projects, environmental impact assessment,
- Closing the gaps in the energy grid networks (electricity and gas) in the border areas
- Provision of local renewable energy schemes (biomass, solar and wind energy, bio-energy).
- Best practice transfer in the energy sector: study trips across the border, common planning and trainings
- Elaboration of feasibility studies, technical projects, environmental impact assessment, cost-benefit analysis or cost-effectiveness analysis related to the activities covered by the present measure
- The improvement of energy networks, energy efficiency, interconnection of electricity systems through synchronous integration into the UCTE and the increased use of renewable energy sources.
- Small scale road and rail improvement schemes where it can be demonstrated that there is a significant improvement in the passage of traffic across the border.
- Investments in infrastructure, access road, facilities and equipment at the Border Crossing points agreed
- Training of the staff from the different services involved in border control activities at the border crossing points
- Projects where joint strategies and plans or key strategic projects tackle common problems of pollution,
- Management of biodiversity in the border area; Monitoring of fish-cultural resources; management of aquatic resources during difficult climatic situations;
- Measures to improve and restore national and regional protected areas.
- Technical Assistance. The technical assistance will consist of two main components:
  - Programme management and implementation
  - Publicity and information

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)**

Applications and annexes must be submitted in accordance with the instructions included in the Grant Application Form annexes to these Guidelines (Annex A) of the Guidelines for grant applicants. Applicants must apply in English.

Applications must be submitted in a sealed envelope by registered mail, private courier service or by hand delivery.

Applicants must verify that their application is complete using the checklist (section V of part B of the grant application form). Incomplete applications will be automatically rejected.

Information sessions on this call for proposals will be held in the programme area (core area and adjoining regions).

Further details regarding the venue and exact date and hours shall be published on the programme website: [www.ro-ua-md.net](http://www.ro-ua-md.net), of the Joint Managing Authority (Ministry of Regional Development and Housing, Romania).

Applications will be examined and evaluated by an Evaluation Committee consisting of representatives of all participating countries, with the assistance of external assessors and of the Joint Technical Secretariat. All actions submitted by the applicants will be assessed according to the following steps and criteria: Even though the verification of eligibility is foreseen to be carried out only for the provisionally selected applicants

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at the end of the procedure, the Evaluation Committee may decide to verify this point at any previous step of the procedure.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

Taking into account the Good Administrative Practices, the Evaluation Committee can exclude an applicant at any stage of the Call for proposals evaluation process whenever it is obvious that the latter does not meet the eligibility criteria.

In conclusion, if the examination of the application reveals that the proposed action does not meet the eligibility criteria stated in paragraph 2.1.3, the application shall be rejected on this sole basis.

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

Programme is designed for The Republic of Moldova (all the national territory), Romania and Ukraine (only eligible cross-border territories). Partner from other countries can participate based on own funds.

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

First call was launched on 1st of July 2009 with the deadline on 28 October 2009 for the first two priorities and 28 September 2009 for the third priority.

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**Programme title:** International Cooperation in Education and Research – Central, Eastern and South Eastern European Region. Version of 30 March 2009.

**Webpage:** <http://www.internationales-buero.de/en/1036.php>

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**Involved Countries:** Germany, Poland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, The Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Slovenia, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Kosovo, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia

**Programme type :** bi- and multilateral

**Programme start, end:** continually, 31.03.2010

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

In this BMBF programme, financial resources are provided for preparatory projects in the areas of applied research and development and in education, with the aim of preparing submissions under current BMBF programmes. In addition, the programme supports the preparation of projects within the thematic priority areas of the EU's Seventh Research Framework Programme, for the Eurostars Programme and other EU programmes that are relevant to research. It also supports the development of joint research bases that build on existing collaborations.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

Applications for funding may be submitted by institutions of higher education and non-university research establishments in collaboration with partner institutions from CEE/SEE (Central and Eastern Europe/South Eastern Europe) countries. Preference will be given to applications involving small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).

Hospitals that are active in the field of research and commercial companies with their head offices in Germany are also entitled to submit applications for the preparation of projects under BMBF and EU Research institutions that receive joint basic funding from the Federal Government and the Länder can be granted project funds to cover additional expenditure under certain conditions only.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

The BMBF will support the preparation of projects by providing non-repayable grants. The following measures are eligible for grants on an expenditure or cost basis:

- Travelling expenses incurred by German experts
- Costs of visits by foreign experts to Germany

In well-founded special cases:

- Staff on the German side, e.g. for the realization of events and feasibility studies
- Costs of events (e.g. rental of venue, logistics)
- Physical resources (e.g. consumables for pilot studies).

The grant may amount to a maximum of €50,000 for preparation of the project proposal. In case of applications for a joint research base up to 12 months.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)

Applications should describe the objectives and the measures necessary for preparing the project proposal in as much detail as possible and should be structured as shown on the web page. Furthermore applicants have to specify the targeted funding programme (BMBF funding programme, EU project, Eurostars project and/or Preparation of a joint research base). Applications may be submitted in German or English. The applicants are free to add further information which they consider to be significant for the evaluation of their proposal. The evaluation of the proposals will be carried out by external experts.

### Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)

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- Scientific quality of the work plan, originality of the approach
- Prospects of success of the project with regard to funding within the framework of the corresponding BMBF funding programme, EU programme or the Eurostars Programme
- Qualifications and expertise of the project coordinator and the project partners
- Quality of the cooperation and mutual benefit
- Commercial exploitation of the anticipated results
- Promotion of young scientists

Applicants for a joint research base have to fulfill additional criteria.

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

Programme is designed for partners from German and the above mentioned countries. Partner from other countries can participate based on own funds.

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

The BMBF assumes that the relevant CEE/SEE countries will contribute to the funding of the projects. As a rule, at least two further institutions must be involved in addition to the German applicant, at least one of which must be from a CEE/SEE country.



## Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region

**Programme title:** Trilateral scientific seminars France, Germany, Russia

**Programme Owner:**

Funding Agency: CNRS

Administering Agency: CNRS

**Web page:** <https://dri-dae.cnrs-dir.fr/spip.php?article1689>

**Programme type:** multilateral

**Involved Countries:** France, Germany, Russia

**Programme start 2009, end:**

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)

Trilateral scientific seminars (France, Germany, Russia): organisation of scientific seminars for duration of 3 days, with additional visits to institutes of the scientific domain concerned.

The programme provides funding for the organization and execution of the seminar, including hotels, meals and inland transportation of participants from each guest country up one third of the total number of participants. It may also cover the subsistence and national travel costs of up to twelve participants from the host country

### Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)

Research teams from CNRS, German teams funded by DFG and Russian teams eligible for receiving funds from the Russian Foundation for Basic Research.

### Thematic priorities

Thematically open - no particular priority

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

Travel costs, Conferences, Exhibitions, Dissemination

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)

Submission from June 1st to September 30th. Applications may be submitted on the French side by any scientist eligible for support in the framework of CNRS's general funding scheme. Similarly, on the Russian side, applications may be submitted by any scientists from Russian academies, universities and other related institutions eligible for the RFBR support. On the German side applications may be submitted by any researcher eligible for DFG funding.

The proposal is to be addressed in **one copy, loose-leaf** and print quality to:

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A corresponding version of the proposal (in **one copy, loose-leaf** and print quality) needs to be submitted by the Russian co-organiser to:

Russian Foundation for Basic Research (RFBR) International Relations Department, Leninsky Prospekt, 32A119991, Moscow, Russia

A corresponding version of the proposal (in **one copy, loose-leaf** and print quality) needs to be submitted by the German co-organiser to:

- Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft
- Kennedyallee 40
- 53175 Bonn

The proposal needs to be submitted to CNRS, DFG, and RFBR in **English** by the **deadline as fixed in the Call for Proposals**.

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The projects are judged by a separate evaluation from experts of each side, ranking of projects in three levels (A = high priority, B = second priority, C = rejected). The final selection is made by a joint committee.

<b>Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)</b>
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Scientific excellence of the applicants, involvement of young researchers, potential for setting up new research networks.
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<b>International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)</b>
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<b>Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)</b>
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**Bilateral Programmes**

S&T funding programme between two countries, funded and implemented by two countries

## Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region

**Programme title:** Executive programme of the scientific and technological cooperation between Italian and Hellenic Republic for the years 2006-2008

**Webpage:**

[http://www.esteri.it/MAE/doc\\_politica\\_estera/Cultura/CooperScientificaTecnologica/Programmi%20esecutiv/i/37\\_4\\_28\\_67\\_81\\_91\\_89\\_103.pdf](http://www.esteri.it/MAE/doc_politica_estera/Cultura/CooperScientificaTecnologica/Programmi%20esecutiv/i/37_4_28_67_81_91_89_103.pdf)

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**Involved Countries:** Italy, Hellenic Republic

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 6.12.2005, closed

### Aim and scope (max. 300 characters)

The programme has the aim to better integrate research into technological innovation and industrial applications and to establish a closer and more efficient link between basic and applied research.

A number of joint initiatives are undertaken in order to encourage universities and research institutions to participate in the process of economic and social development aiming at fighting unemployment and creating new jobs.

For the implementation of the Program, the two Countries agreed on the following modalities of cooperation:

- Carrying out Joint R+D projects;
- Promoting the exchange of information and documents on respective national research and development systems;
- Strengthening the cooperation between universities, research centres and the private sector;
- Setting up a partnership in order to allow institutions of the two Countries to jointly take part in multilateral research programmes, particularly within the Framework Programme of the European Union;
- Organizing scientific seminars and workshops open to the participation of scientific institutions and industries, in order to facilitate scientific relations and the transfer of technologies;
- Exchanging technical research teams for cooperation in research areas of common interest.

The programme considers the following priority areas:

1. Space Science and Technology.
2. Marine Environment and Biology, Fisheries, Aquaculture and associated Technology.
3. Technology for Cultural Heritage Preservation.
4. Internet and communication technologies/applications.

### Who can apply? (max. 200 characters)

Only joint applications that include at least one partner from an Italian and Hellenic university or Research organizations are eligible.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

The Scientific and Technological Cooperation is directly funded by Italy and Hellenic Republic on the basis of mutually designated resources, carried out in accordance with the national rules of the Countries and their international obligations.

A Joint Committee examine and approve common proposals related to the exchange of scientists participating in joint projects and concerning organizational and financial issues related to their travels and stays in the place of their mission.

For each project, either 1 short-term stay (up to 10 days) or 1 long-term stay (1 / 2 or 3 months) is financed yearly.

The researchers are entitled to the exchange only if they hold the nationality of one of two countries or if they hold an EU nationality and are legally resident in one of the two countries.

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The international travel expenses between the two cooperating partner institutions are borne by the sending party, while the receiving party bears the expenses of lodging and boarding by means of an all-inclusive cash allowance.

The two Countries agree that accident and sickness insurance coverage (with the exception of existing and chronic diseases and dental protheses) for the researchers travelling in the framework of the joint projects are provided by the hosting Party.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

The activities foreseen in this Programme are financed according to the regulations existing in each country and within the limits of the respective budgets.

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)**

A number of 104 joint R+D proposals have been received in the frame of the last joint call for proposals, published early in May 2005.

After an extensive evaluation of the proposals and taking into consideration their financial resources, the Countries have agreed on financing **27** projects.

Four proposals have been selected and funded only by the Italian side as "Significant Bilateral Projects". These projects were not submitted to the Greek side, which has not any financial obligation and responsibility for them.

The Italian party considers granting a financial contribution to the above-mentioned significant bilateral research projects. These financial contributions are intended to partly cover the research activities of the projects. Financial support is granted to the Italian partners of the joint project upon an annual evaluation of the applications, which shall be submitted to the Italian side according to the rules and procedures published on the web site of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

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**Programme title:** International Cooperation Romania and Turkey

**Web page:** <http://www.ancs.ro>

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**Involved Countries:** Romania and Turkey

**Programme type:** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2007-2008 (ended) periodically at 2 years

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)**

The agreement between institutions responsible for research activities from Romania and the mentioned before countries give priority to develop scientific and technological cooperation, in the mutual interest area, involving exchange of scientists with special emphasis on further scientific training and specialisation, and encourage the participation of the young researchers in the framework of the projects as a main investigators.

Every 2 years, the parties launch the Call for proposals.

Each party receive proposals for joint research projects and after the evaluation process, the Joint Committee decide to co-finance the matching proposals received from both sides.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)**

National Research institutions, University and private entities which have in their statute, research as an object of activity.

### **What is funded? (max. 200 characters)**

Grants will be offered towards travel and living costs, small equipment and monthly salary of the young researcher, within the framework of well-defined and approved projects.

More than that, the Romanian directors have the possibility to invite researchers from different countries to join meeting of the progress review and, in this situation, ANCS support for a short period their expenses such as: accommodation and meals.

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)**

Joint research projects in the prescribed format, duly forwarded by the project directors are to be submitted simultaneously in both countries.

The project proposals must provide detailed information on the objective and justification of the planned joint research work, the methodology to be followed, the composition of each research team and the intended timetable.

Proposals shall be independently evaluated and approved by each party following their own rules and regulation. Both sides compile a separate ranking list and the projects to be funded are jointly selected. Only proposals approved by both parties shall be supported.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

The proposals should be clear in scope and based upon mutual interests of the co-operating teams.

The scientific quality and experience of the team and the involvement of young researchers into the project activities.

The innovative character, originality and the comprehensive description of the proposal.

The deliverables of the project.

Priority will be given to the proposals which participation of a private enterprise is involved.

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The selection is based on “best score” model; (eligible projects are sized between 70 and 100 points) and on the budget analysing and fitting in range of selection.

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

Bilateral cooperation builds up scientific networks and strong partnerships in the mutual interest area offering the opportunity to extend the cooperation at the international level, particularly for FP7 programme of EU.

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

## Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region

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**Programme title:** International Cooperation Romania and Bulgaria

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**Involved Countries:** Romania and Bulgaria

**Programme type:** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2007-2008 (ended) periodically at 2 years

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)**

The agreement between institutions responsible for research activities from Romania and the mentioned before countries give priority to develop scientific and technological cooperation, in the mutual interest area, involving exchange of scientists with special emphasis on further scientific training and specialisation, and encourage the participation of the young researchers in the framework of the projects as a main investigators.

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The innovative character, originality and the comprehensive description of the proposal.

The deliverables of the project.

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### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

## Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region

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**Involved Countries:** Romania and Ukraine

**Programme type:** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2007-2008 (ended) periodically at 2 years

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)**

The agreement between institutions responsible for research activities from Romania and the mentioned before countries give priority to develop scientific and technological cooperation, in the mutual interest area, involving exchange of scientists with special emphasis on further scientific training and specialisation, and encourage the participation of the young researchers in the framework of the projects as a main investigators.

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The scientific quality and experience of the team and the involvement of young researchers into the project activities.

The innovative character, originality and the comprehensive description of the proposal.

The deliverables of the project.

Priority will be given to the proposals which participation of a private enterprise is involved.

## **Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region**

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The selection is based on “best score” model; (eligible projects are sized between 70 and 100 points) and on the budget analysing and fitting in range of selection.

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

Bilateral cooperation builds up scientific networks and strong partnerships in the mutual interest area offering the opportunity to extend the cooperation at the international level, particularly for FP7 programme of EU.

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

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**Programme title:** The Programme for Joint Research Projects within the Framework of the Agreement between TUBITAK and the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (NASU)

**Web page:** <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/home.do?ot=1&sid=999&pid=553>

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**Involved Countries:** Turkey, Ukraine

**Programme type :** Bilateral

**Programme start, end:** The call is opened every year in September.

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

The joint projects between the Turkish and Ukrainian Researchers are supported under this programme in order to develop and strengthen scientific and technological cooperation between the two countries.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

Turkish Researchers from universities, public and private sector can apply as project coordinators to this programme. The project coordinator should have a PhD degree if he/she is from the university; otherwise he/she should have a degree from a 4 year undergraduate programme of a university (for public/private sector). Only joint applications that are submitted at both sides are evaluated.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

Project can be up to three years and can receive a maximum amount of 120.000 Turkish Liras (approx. 56.000 Euros) per year. Mobility, as well as the research expenses of the researcher (equipment, consumables) are covered. Support for infrastructure is not provided.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)

Applications should be submitted to TUBITAK and NASU by Turkish and Ukrainian Researchers, respectively, through a joint English application form agreed by both sides. Proposals are evaluated independently by both sides through their own procedures (through peer review composed by independent researchers, in case of TUBITAK). Following the evaluation process, both sides share their views on the applications and only the projects that are agreed by both sides are selected for starting.

### Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)

Scientific excellence and qualification of the applicant,  
Originality of the subject and relevance of the methodology,  
Importance of bilateral cooperation,  
Potential impact of the project,

### Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)

The programme is designed for Turkish – Ukrainian projects. Partners from other countries (besides Turkey and Ukraine) can participate based on own funds.

### Special remarks (max. 200 characters)

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**Programme title:** Bilateral research projects with Armenia

**Programme Owner:**

Funding Agency: CNRS

Administering Agency: CNRS

**Web page:** <https://dri-dae.cnrs-dir.fr/spip.php?article1538>

**Programme type:** bilateral

**Involved Countries:** France, Armenia

**Programme start 2009, end:**

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)

Fostering scientific cooperation within the framework of joint research projects in all fields of exact, natural, social and human sciences.

### Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)

All CNRS units, whether intramural, joint or associated, and all research and innovation institutions of the Republic of Armenia are eligible. Research teams from CNRS and Armenia supported by the State Committee for Science.

### Thematic priorities

Thematically open - no particular priority

### What is funded? (max. 500 characters)

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Equipment

Mobility costs (minimum of 60% earmarked), research consumables and/or small equipment

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)

Joint call for proposals with submission to both sides. Deadline for applications : May 31, 2009. Separate evaluation from experts of each side, ranking of projects in three levels (A = high priority, B = second priority, C = rejected).

Final selection by a joint CNRS- SCS commission.

### Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)

Scientific quality and novelty, perspective for developing the CNRS-SCS collaboration, young researcher's recruitment potential, and perspective for future joint applications to the EU Framework Programme.

### International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)

Please indicate, whether the programme is open for involvement of third parties.

No

Is the programme specifically designed for international cooperation or is international cooperation only part of it (a sub-programme, or an action line, or only an option, etc).

specifically designed for international cooperation

Does the programme provide funding for researchers from EU MS/AC?

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What is the background and the rationale of the international dimension of the programme in relation to the national research system?

### Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)

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Results of the international component of the programme up to now: How many calls have been done and how many projects funded, what are most important thematic priorities and project sizes (if available)?

First call in 2009, projects have just been selected

What are perspectives for the future? Are there changes decided upon or under discussion?

Are there rules for Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) foreseen in the programme and which relevance do they have for international cooperation?

The Armenian institutions selected for funding shall be entitled to sign a Contract on the Intellectual Property Protection with CNRS.

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**Programme title:** Bilateral Research Projects with Azerbaijan

**Programme Owner:**

Funding Agency: CNRS

Administering Agency: CNRS

**Web page:** <https://dri-dae.cnrs-dir.fr/spip.php?article1539>

**Programme type:** bilatera/

**Involved Countries:** France, Azerbaijan

**Programme start 2009, end:**

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)

Fostering scientific cooperation within the framework of joint research projects in all fields of exact, natural, social and human sciences.

Where does the budget come from? (e.g. different ministries, etc.)

CNRS International budget

Which types of activities/projects can be funded: mobility, basic research, applied research, technology development, etc.)?

Mobility costs (minimum of 60% earmarked), research consumables and/or small equipment.

### Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)

All CNRS units, whether intramural, joint or associated, and all laboratories belonging to ANAS Institutes are eligible. Research teams from CNRS and ANAS

### Thematic priorities

Thematically open - no particular priority

### What is funded? (max. 500 characters)

Travel costs, Consumables, Equipment

What is the funding mechanism (S&T grants, fellowships, awards, service contracts based on the public procurement law, others)?

Direct allocation to the CNRS labs

What is the annual budget of the programme and what is the share of international cooperation activities? (Please provide data as far as available.)

15 000 € (2010 previsions for CNRS only)

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)

Joint call for proposals with submission to both sides. Separate evaluation from experts of each side, ranking of projects in three levels (A = high priority, B = second priority, C = rejected). Deadline for applications : May 31, 2009

Final selection by a joint CNRS- ANAS Committee.

### Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)

## **Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region**

Scientific quality and novelty, perspective for developing the CNRS- ANAS collaboration, young researcher's recruitment potential, and perspective for future joint applications to the EU Framework Programme.

### **International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)**

Please indicate, whether the programme is open for involvement of third parties.

No

Is the programme specifically designed for international cooperation or is international cooperation only part of it (a sub-programme, or an action line, or only an option, etc).

specifically designed for international cooperation

Does the programme provide funding for researchers from EU MS/AC?

What is the background and the rationale of the international dimension of the programme in relation to the national research system?

### **Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)**

Results of the international component of the programme up to now: How many calls have been done and how many projects funded, what are most important thematic priorities and project sizes (if available)?

First call in 2009, projects have just been selected

Are there rules for Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) foreseen in the programme and which relevance do they have for international cooperation?

IPR rules are foreseen under the frame of the CNRS-ANAS scientific cooperation agreement



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**Programme title:** Bilateral Research Projects with Georgia

**Programme Owner:**

Funding Agency: CNRS

Administering Agency: CNRS

**Web page:** <https://dri-dae.cnrs-dir.fr/spip.php?article1540>

**Programme type:** bilateral

**Involved Countries:** France, Georgia

**Programme start 2009, end:**

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)

Fostering scientific cooperation within the framework of joint research projects in the fields of – mathematics

- earth and environment sciences
- life sciences

Where does the budget come from? (e.g. different ministries, etc.)

CNRS International budget

Which types of activities/projects can be funded: mobility, basic research, applied research, technology development, etc.)?

Mobility costs (minimum of 50% earmarked for junior scientists), research consumables and/or small equipment. GNSF eligible costs include salaries

### Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)

Research teams from CNRS and Georgia supported by the Georgian National Science Foundation. Each team (French and Georgian) must include at least one junior scientist.

### Thematic priorities

Mathematics

Biology and Biotechnology

Geosciences, Climate Research, Environmental Research and Technologies

### What is funded? (max. 500 characters)

Travel costs, Personnel costs (only for Georgia), Consumables, Equipment

What is the funding mechanism (S&T grants, fellowships, awards, service contracts based on the public procurement law, others)?

Direct allocation to the CNRS labs

What is the annual budget of the programme and what is the share of international cooperation activities? (Please provide data as far as available.)

15 000 € (2010 previsions for CNRS only)

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)

Joint call for proposals with submission to both sides. Eligibility check form GNSF on the basis of participation to “The State Science Grants Call -2008”.

How does the trans-national selection procedure look like (joint committees, etc.)?

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Final evaluation by CNRS experts, joint selection of one project in each field.

### Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)

Scientific quality and novelty, perspective for developing the CNRS- GNSF collaboration, young researcher's recruitment potential, and perspective for future joint applications to the EU Framework Programme.

### International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)

Please indicate, whether the programme is open for involvement of third parties.

No

Is the programme specifically designed for international cooperation or is international cooperation only part of it (a sub-programme, or an action line, or only an option, etc).

specifically designed for international cooperation

Does the programme provide funding for researchers from EU MS/AC?

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What is the background and the rationale of the international dimension of the programme in relation to the national research system?

### Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)

Results of the international component of the programme up to now: How many calls have been done and how many projects funded, what are most important thematic priorities and project sizes (if available)?

First call in 2009, projects have just been selected

What are perspectives for the future? Are there changes decided upon or under discussion?

Opening to other thematic

Are there rules for Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) foreseen in the programme and which relevance do they have for international cooperation?

No

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**Programme title:** Bilateral scientific seminars

**Programme Owner:**

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**Programme type:** bilateral

**Involved Countries:** France, Ukraine

**Programme start, end:** 2009

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)**

Organisation of scientific seminars for duration of 3 days, with additional visits to institutes of the scientific domain concerned.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)**

All CNRS units, whether intramural, joint or associated, and all research institutes of the NASU are eligible

### **Thematic priorities**

Thematically open - no particular priority

### **What is funded? (max. 500 characters)**

Travel and subsistence costs, Conferences, Exhibitions  
Direct allocation to the CNRS labs

Organization and execution of the seminar, including hotels, meals and inland transportation of participants from the guest country up to half the total number of participants. It may also cover the subsistence and national travel costs of up to twelve participants from the host country.

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)**

Applications may be submitted on the French side by any scientist eligible for support in the framework of CNRS's general funding scheme. Similarly, on the Ukrainian side, applications may be submitted by any scientist from institutes belonging to the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (NASU).

The proposal needs to be submitted to the CNRS and to the NASU in English by the deadline as fixed in the Call for Proposals.

Separate evaluation from experts of each side, ranking of projects in three levels (A = high priority, B = second priority, C = rejected).

Comparison and final selection by a joint CNRS-NASU Committee.

### **Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)**

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Selection of applications is based on the excellence and novelty of the project. Projects involving young researchers are given priority.

### International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)

Please indicate, whether the programme is open for involvement of third parties.

No

Is the programme specifically designed for international cooperation or is international cooperation only part of it (a sub-programme, or an action line, or only an option, etc).

specifically designed for international cooperation

Does the programme provide funding for researchers from EU MS/AC?

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What is the background and the rationale of the international dimension of the programme in relation to the national research system?

### Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)

Results of the international component of the programme up to now: How many calls have been done and how many projects funded, what are most important thematic priorities and project sizes (if available)?

5 workshops funded in 2009

What are perspectives for the future? Are there changes decided upon or under discussion?

Are there rules for Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) foreseen in the programme and which relevance do they have for international cooperation?

No

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**Programme title:** International exchanges

**Programme Owner:**

Funding Agency: CNRS

Administering Agency: CNRS

**Web page:** <https://dri-dae.cnrs-dir.fr/spip.php?article1150>

**Programme type:** bilateral

**Involved Countries:** France, Ukraine

**Programme start 2005, end:**

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)

Fostering exchanges of researchers for durations of one week to one month, within the framework of joint research projects.

Where does the budget come from? (e.g. different ministries, etc.)

CNRS International budget

Which types of activities/projects can be funded: mobility, basic research, applied research, technology development, etc.)?

International exchanges fund mobility costs only.

### Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)

Research teams from CNRS and the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

### Thematic priorities

Thematically open - no particular priority

### What is funded? (max. 500 characters)

Travel costs

What is the funding mechanism (S&T grants, fellowships, awards, service contracts based on the public procurement law, others)?

Direct allocation to the CNRS labs

What is the annual budget of the programme and what is the share of international cooperation activities? (Please provide data as far as available.)

70 000 € at average for CNRS only

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)

Submission from June 1st to September 30<sup>th</sup>. Joint calls for proposals with submission to both sides. Separate evaluation from experts of each side, ranking of projects in three levels (A = high priority, B = second priority, C = rejected).

Final selection by a joint committee.

### Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)

Selection of applications is based on the excellence and novelty of the project. Projects involving young researchers are given priority.

### International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)

Please indicate, whether the programme is open for involvement of third parties.

No

Is the programme specifically designed for international cooperation or is international cooperation only part of it (a sub-programme, or an action line, or only an option, etc).

specifically designed for international cooperation

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Does the programme provide funding for researchers from EU MS/AC?

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What is the background and the rationale of the international dimension of the programme in relation to the national research system?

### Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)

Results of the international component of the programme up to now: How many calls have been done and how many projects funded, what are most important thematic priorities and project sizes (if available)?  
3 calls since 2005, 20 projects selected in the last call

What are perspectives for the future? Are there changes decided upon or under discussion?

Are there rules for Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) foreseen in the programme and which relevance do they have for international cooperation?

IPR rules are foreseen under the frame of the CNRS-NASU scientific cooperation agreement

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**Programme title:** International Projects for Scientific Cooperation – PICS

**Programme Owner:**

Funding Agency: CNRS

Administering Agency: CNRS

**Web page:** <https://dri-dae.cnrs-dir.fr/spip.php?article1141>

**Programme type:** bilateral

**Involved Countries:** France, Ukraine

**Programme start 2006, end:**

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)**

A PICS is a research project involving two teams, one in a CNRS-affiliated laboratory and the other abroad. It is awarded for a 3-year non-renewable period, and aims at consolidating an ongoing collaboration that has already produced joint publications with a partner abroad. Funding received in the framework of a PICS is intended to cover research travel as well as the organization of seminars and meetings.

Where does the budget come from? (e.g. different ministries, etc.)

CNRS International budget

Which types of activities/projects can be funded: mobility, basic research, applied research, technology development, etc.)?

PICS fund mobility costs, organization of seminars and meetings, consumables, small equipment.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)**

Research teams from CNRS and the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

### **Thematic priorities**

Thematically open - no particular priority

### **What is funded? (max. 500 characters)**

Travel costs, Consumables, Equipment

What is the funding mechanism (S&T grants, fellowships, awards, service contracts based on the public procurement law, others)?

Direct allocation to the CNRS labs

What is the annual budget of the programme and what is the share of international cooperation activities? (Please provide data as far as available.)

73 000 € in 2009 for CNRS only

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)**

Researchers and academics working in CNRS-affiliated laboratories wishing to submit a PICS proposal should send a summary of their project (as well as a list of articles co-authored with their partner(s)) by email to the representative for international affairs (CMI) of the relevant Research Institute of CNRS before March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Upon approval by the Institute, researchers may request application forms from the assistant of the appropriate geographical division of the Office of European Affairs (DAE) or the Office of International Relations (DRI) of CNRS and submit them before March 31<sup>st</sup>.

PICS can be submitted for collaboration with any country. If an agreement for joint funding exists between CNRS and the foreign partner's home organization, the project must be submitted at the same time to that organization.

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### Timeline

- 1 March (of year N-1): Call for proposals opens.
- 31 March: Deadline for submission of a project summary (including a list of articles co-authored with the partner(s) abroad) to the relevant Research Institute.
- 30 April: Research Institute approval for submission of a full proposal.
- 1 to 30 May: Application form obtainable from DAE and DRI.
- 1 to 30 May: Application filled out by the two coordinators, one from France and one from abroad. Application submitted to DAE/DRI and to the partner institution abroad (in case of a bilateral agreement).
- 31 May: Deadline for submission of application to DAE and DRI. Application transferred to Research Institute for evaluation.
- 30 September: Overall ranking of proposals by Research Institute.
- December: Acceptance letter from DAE or DRI to the project leader specifying fund allocation.
- January of year N: Start of project, monitored by DAE, DRI and the Research Institute.
- January of year N: Notification of funds by DAE or DRI on proposal of the Research Institute.

December of years N, N+1, N+2: Annual scientific and financial report established by the program coordinators sent to DAE/DRI and the Scientific Institute.

### Important dates

Before 31 March, submit pre-proposal to your Research Institute. After receiving approval, you may submit the full application to DAE or DRI, by 31 May.

Joint calls for proposals with submission to both sides. Separate evaluation from experts of each side, ranking of projects in three levels (A = high priority, B = second priority, C = rejected).  
Final selection by a joint committee.

### Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)

Scientific excellence of the applicants, novelty of the projects, involvement of young researchers.

### International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)

Please indicate, whether the programme is open for involvement of third parties.

Yes

Is the programme specifically designed for international cooperation or is international cooperation only part of it (a sub-programme, or an action line, or only an option, etc).

specifically designed for international cooperation

Does the programme provide funding for researchers from EU MS/AC?

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What is the background and the rationale of the international dimension of the programme in relation to the national research system?

### Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)

Results of the international component of the programme up to now: How many calls have been done and how many projects funded, what are most important thematic priorities and project sizes (if available)?

4 calls since 2006, 10 projects currently funded

What are perspectives for the future? Are there changes decided upon or under discussion?

Extension to other ukrainian teams through the support of the State Foundation for Fundamental Research

Are there rules for Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) foreseen in the programme and which relevance do they have for international cooperation?

IPR rules are foreseen under the frame of the CNRS-NASU scientific cooperation agreement



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**Programme title:** Initiation and Intensification of Bilateral Cooperation

**Webpage:**

[http://www.dfg.de/en/international/international\\_cooperation/cooperation\\_projects/kompaktdarstellung\\_bilateral\\_cooperation.html](http://www.dfg.de/en/international/international_cooperation/cooperation_projects/kompaktdarstellung_bilateral_cooperation.html)

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**Involved Countries:** all

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** permanent open call

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)

In order to establish or enhance bilateral cooperation the DFG offers a modularly structured funding scheme of high flexibility. Applicants who want to initiate or intensify scientific cooperation with international partners may receive funding for a period of up to one year. The proposal needs to give a brief but convincing description by which means the scientific cooperation is to be initiated or intensified. Various modules (basically bilateral events, preparatory or consultative visits) can be combined.

- Research Stays: The cooperation agreements between the DFG and its international partner organisations offer the possibility of funding preparatory visits (up to three weeks) or consultative visits (up to three months) at the respective partner's institute.
- Bilateral Events: The module bilateral events serves to facilitate collaboration between researchers and to expand scientific contact.

### Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)

- Maintenance and travel costs for scientists and academics working in the German scientific community who hold a doctorate
- Maintenance in Germany for participants from the partner country
- in justified cases, maintenance and international travel for participants from other countries

Coordinators from the partner country are requested to submit their proposals to the respective funding organisation in the partner country if an appropriate agreement exists.

### Thematic priorities

No priority in particular

### What is funded? (max. 300 characters)

Travel costs Personnel, costs Conferences, Exhibitions

These cost categories may also be co-financed by a foreign partner organisation if an appropriate agreement exists.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)

The proposal needs to give a brief but convincing description by which means the scientific cooperation is to be initiated or intensified. Proposals should be submitted in duplicate and should include the information specified in the following forms and guidelines:

- 1.813e Guidelines: Funding for the Initiation and Enhancement of bilateral Cooperation
- 1.8131e "Proposal Summary"

### Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)

Quality of the Project / Qualification of the Applicant

- Soundness of the preliminary work, quality of publications and for renewal

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proposals also the results obtained so far

- Originality
- Expected advancement of knowledge (also in relation to the costs)
- Scientific significance (in its own field and/or across different fields)

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 400 characters)**

In scientifically justified cases, the programme covers multilateral cooperation as well.

### **Special remarks (max. 400 characters)**

The Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation) encourages international cooperation between scientists and academics in all its programmes.

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**Programme title:** Programme of scientific and technological cooperation between Italy and Romania for the years 2006-2008

**Webpage:**

[http://www.esteri.it/MAE/doc\\_politica\\_estera/Cultura/CooperScientificaTecnologica/Programmi%20esecutiv/i/57\\_4\\_28\\_67\\_81\\_91\\_89\\_119.pdf](http://www.esteri.it/MAE/doc_politica_estera/Cultura/CooperScientificaTecnologica/Programmi%20esecutiv/i/57_4_28_67_81_91_89_119.pdf)

**Contact Person:** Mr. Elio Menzione, Deputy Director-General for Cultural Promotion and Co-operation Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**Involved Countries:** Italy, Romania

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 5.12.2005, in force until the signature of the next one for the years 2009-2011

### Aim and scope (max. 300 characters)

The programme recognizes the growing importance of science and technology for the economic, social and cultural development of Italy and Romania and places particular emphasis on the role of international cooperation.

In the period 27.12.2004 – 15.2.2005, a joint call for proposals was launched in order to collect bilateral research projects in the following priority areas:

- Basic and Applied Sciences: Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Biology;
- Innovation and New Technologies;
- Earth Sciences;
- Environment and renewable Energy;
- Life Sciences: Health, Agriculture, Biotechnology, Health and Medicine.

A total number of 104 projects was received by both parties and, among these, 40 projects have been selected for financial support for the exchange of researchers.

### Who can apply? (max. 200 characters)

Only joint applications that include at least one partner from Italy and Romania are eligible.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

For each project, 1 short-term stay (up to 10 days) and 1 long-term stay (1 full month = 30 days) is financed yearly.

The researchers are entitled to the exchange only if they hold the nationality of one of the two countries signing this Executive Programme or if they hold an EU nationality and are legally resident in one of the two countries.

The international travel expenses between the two cooperating partner institutions are borne by the sending party, while the receiving party bears the expenses of lodging and boarding by means of an all-inclusive allowance.

Both parties provide medical insurance coverage, on the basis of the rules in force in each Country, against accidents and illnesses, excluding already existing and chronic diseases.

### Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)

- Scientific relevance of the project;
- Impact on building bilateral scientific & technological relations;
- Social and economic impact;
- Quality of project content and methodology;
- Quality of collaborating partners.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)

The application for both long- and short-term research stays are submitted exclusively through diplomatic channels.

### Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)

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Partners pay attention to extending the co-operation in international multilateral R&D programmes: European Union R&D programmes, EUREKA, COST, Central European Initiatives, and others.

<b>Special remarks (max. 200 characters)</b>
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**Programme title:** First executive programme of the agreement between the government of the Republic of Italy and the government of the Republic of Turkey on scientific and technical cooperation for the years 2006-2009

**Webpage:**

[http://www.esteri.it/MAE/doc\\_politica\\_estera/Cultura/CooperScientificaTecnologica/Programmi%20esecutivi/71\\_TURCHIA\\_TESTO\\_FIRMATO\\_con\\_progetti.pdf](http://www.esteri.it/MAE/doc_politica_estera/Cultura/CooperScientificaTecnologica/Programmi%20esecutivi/71_TURCHIA_TESTO_FIRMATO_con_progetti.pdf)

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**Involved Countries:** Italy, Turkey

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 26.06.2006, open

### Aim and scope (max. 300 characters)

The programme has the purpose to develop scientific and technological cooperation in the areas listed below:

- Agriculture;
- Environment and Energy;
- Health;
- Information and Communication Technology;
- Nanosciences;
- Technology for Cultural Heritage Preservation.

During the validity of the Executive Programme, the Parties carry out scientific and technological co-operation by supporting joint research projects. Such joint research projects are collected and selected jointly by means of a call for proposals.

### Who can apply? (max. 200 characters)

Only joint applications that include at least one partner from an Italian and Turkish public or private institution.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

The execution period of a joint research project is three years.

The costs of the exchange of experts and scientists resulting from the Executive Programme, unless mutually agreed otherwise, are covered on the following basis:

- The sending Party meets the cost of international travel to the place where the joint work is carried out.
- The receiving Party meet board and lodging by means of the current daily allowances listed below. These allowances can be modified by mutual agreement of the Parties.

In Turkey:

- Free accommodation in a university guest house or equivalent
  - Daily allowance Short visits (10- 20 days) 20,00 Euro per day
- Longer visits (20 days- 1 month) 500,00 Euro per month.

In Italy:

- Short Visits (up to 10 days) 93,00 Euro per day
- Longer Visits (full month= 30 days) 1300,00 Euro per month.

Annually one visit in each direction is financed per project and the duration of a visit has not to exceed one month.

The receiving Party shall provide emergency illness insurance of the scientists, including medical care, on the basis of the rules in force in each country.

Besides the financial support towards the exchange of project researchers mentioned above, the Parties may provide additional research funds to their respective project teams whenever they consider it appropriate. It is desirable but not essential to fund the two sides equally.

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The Italian Party may consider the possibility of appropriating additional funding on an annual basis for research projects of particular relevance.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

- Scientific relevance of the project;
- Impact on the bilateral scientific and technological relations;
- Intensity of the collaboration with the foreign partner(s);
- Technology transfer and human resources development;
- Potentialities for creating research and development,
- Potentialities for social and economic impact;
- Quality in project's presentation

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)**

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 expected timetable.

Project proposals prepared in English using the dedicated "Project Proposal Forms" distributed by TÜBİTAK and the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Directorate General for Cultural Promotion and Co-operation - are submitted for evaluation and approval simultaneously to the Parties.

Proposals are independently evaluated and approved by each of the Parties, following their own rules and regulations and only those proposals that are approved by both Parties are supported under the Executive Programme.

Projects submitted to only one of the two Parties are not considered.

The list of selected projects is posted on the website of both parties.

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

Scientific and technological results and any other information derived from the co-operation activities under the Programme are announced, published or commercially exploited with the consent of both cooperating partners and in accordance with international provisions concerning intellectual and industrial property rights.

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**Programme title:** Bi-lateral S&T agreements of the republic of Italy

**Web page:** <http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Home.htm?LANG=EN>

**Contact Person:** Barbara Bregato (head of Office 5 Bi-lateral scientific and cultural cooperation)

**Involved Countries:** Azerbaijan

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2006 – 2011 (renewed each 6 years)

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)**

Improving the mutual knowledge between the two countries, strengthening the bi-lateral S&T cooperation by the development of joint activities and joint participation in international initiatives.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)**

On the Italian side: researchers from Italian public or private universities or research centres.

### **Thematic priorities**

No priority in particular

### **What is funded? (max. 300 characters)**

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Conferences, Exhibitions

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)**

The evaluation procedure is carried in two stages: a national evaluation followed by a joint evaluation.

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

- Scientific relevance of the project (methodology, originality and innovation, scientific qualifications of the proposers);
- Quality of the documentation and presentation of the project;
- Research infrastructures adequacy;
- Need for the bi-lateral cooperation and the roles of the participating research units;
- Potential for creation of R&D collaborations between the two countries;
- Exploitation and dissemination of research results

The following are optional criteria, which influence positively the evaluation:

- Participation of more than 2 research centres or universities in the project, as well as the participation of enterprises and industries (also from third countries);
- Additional financial resources from the proponents or from other organisations (e.g., research institutes, public and private organisations);
- Industrial impact of the results;
- Involvement in other multilateral and European programmes, in particular in the 7<sup>th</sup> FP of the EC.

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

The mobility of researchers or the projects funded under these bi-lateral programmes allow for participation of third-country organisations (which will not be funded under a specific bi-lateral agreement). Participation of third-country organisations (or of additional organisations from the two countries) is evaluated positively.

### **Special remarks (max. 400 characters)**

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**Programme title:** Bi-lateral S&T agreements of the republic of Italy

**Web page:** <http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Home.htm?LANG=EN>

**Contact Person:** Barbara Bregato (head of Office 5 Bi-lateral scientific and cultural cooperatio

**Involved Countries:** Armenia

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2005 - unlimited

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)**

Improving the mutual knowledge between the two countries, strengthening the bi-lateral S&T cooperation by the development of joint activities and joint participation in international initiatives.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)**

On the Italian side: researchers from Italian public or private universities or research centres.

### **Thematic priorities**

No priority in particular

### **What is funded? (max. 300 characters)**

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Conferences, Exhibitions

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)**

The evaluation procedure is carried in two stages: a national evaluation followed by a joint evaluation.

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

- Scientific relevance of the project (methodology, originality and innovation, scientific qualifications of the proposers);
- Quality of the documentation and presentation of the project;
- Research infrastructures adequacy;
- Need for the bi-lateral cooperation and the roles of the participating research units;
- Potential for creation of R&D collaborations between the two countries;
- Exploitation and dissemination of research results

The following are optional criteria, which influence positively the evaluation:

- Participation of more than 2 research centres or universities in the project, as well as the participation of enterprises and industries (also from third countries);
- Additional financial resources from the proponents or from other organisations (e.g., research institutes, public and private organisations);
- Industrial impact of the results;
- Involvement in other multilateral and European programmes, in particular in the 7<sup>th</sup> FP of the EC.

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

The mobility of researchers or the projects funded under these bi-lateral programmes allow for participation of third-country organisations (which will not be funded under a specific bi-lateral agreement). Participation of third-country organisations (or of additional organisations from the two countries) is evaluated positively.

### **Special remarks (max. 400 characters)**



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**Programme title:** Bi-lateral S&T agreements of the republic of Italy

**Web page:** <http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Home.htm?LANG=EN>

**Contact Person:** Barbara Bregato (head of Office 5 Bi-lateral scientific and cultural cooperation)

**Involved Countries:** Bulgaria

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** unlimited

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)**

Improving the mutual knowledge between the two countries, strengthening the bi-lateral S&T cooperation by the development of joint activities and joint participation in international initiatives.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)**

On the Italian side: researchers from Italian public or private universities or research centres.

### **Thematic priorities**

No priority in particular

### **What is funded? (max. 300 characters)**

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Conferences, Exhibitions

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)**

The evaluation procedure is carried in two stages: a national evaluation followed by a joint evaluation.

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

- Scientific relevance of the project (methodology, originality and innovation, scientific qualifications of the proposers);
- Quality of the documentation and presentation of the project;
- Research infrastructures adequacy;
- Need for the bi-lateral cooperation and the roles of the participating research units;
- Potential for creation of R&D collaborations between the two countries;
- Exploitation and dissemination of research results

The following are optional criteria, which influence positively the evaluation:

- Participation of more than 2 research centres or universities in the project, as well as the participation of enterprises and industries (also from third countries);
- Additional financial resources from the proponents or from other organisations (e.g., research institutes, public and private organisations);
- Industrial impact of the results;
- Involvement in other multilateral and European programmes, in particular in the 7<sup>th</sup> FP of the EC.

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

The mobility of researchers or the projects funded under these bi-lateral programmes allow for participation of third-country organisations (which will not be funded under a specific bi-lateral agreement). Participation of third-country organisations (or of additional organisations from the two countries) is evaluated positively.

### **Special remarks (max. 400 characters)**

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**Programme title:** Bi-lateral S&T agreements of the republic of Italy

**Web page:** <http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Home.htm?LANG=EN>

**Contact Person:** Barbara Bregato (head of Office 5 Bi-lateral scientific and cultural cooperatio

**Involved Countries:** Georgia

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 1999-unlimited

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)**

Improving the mutual knowledge between the two countries, strengthening the bi-lateral S&T cooperation by the development of joint activities and joint participation in international initiatives.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)**

On the Italian side: researchers from Italian public or private universities or research centres.

### **Thematic priorities**

No priority in particular

### **What is funded? (max. 300 characters)**

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Conferences, Exhibitions

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)**

The evaluation procedure is carried in two stages: a national evaluation followed by a joint evaluation.

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

- Scientific relevance of the project (methodology, originality and innovation, scientific qualifications of the proposers);
- Quality of the documentation and presentation of the project;
- Research infrastructures adequacy;
- Need for the bi-lateral cooperation and the roles of the participating research units;
- Potential for creation of R&D collaborations between the two countries;
- Exploitation and dissemination of research results

The following are optional criteria, which influence positively the evaluation:

- Participation of more than 2 research centres or universities in the project, as well as the participation of enterprises and industries (also from third countries);
- Additional financial resources from the proponents or from other organisations (e.g., research institutes, public and private organisations);
- Industrial impact of the results;
- Involvement in other multilateral and European programmes, in particular in the 7<sup>th</sup> FP of the EC.

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

The mobility of researchers or the projects funded under these bi-lateral programmes allow for participation of third-country organisations (which will not be funded under a specific bi-lateral agreement). Participation of third-country organisations (or of additional organisations from the two countries) is evaluated positively.

### **Special remarks (max. 400 characters)**

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**Programme title:** Bi-lateral S&T agreements of the republic of Italy

**Web page:** <http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Home.htm?LANG=EN>

**Contact Person:** Barbara Bregato (head of Office 5 Bi-lateral scientific and cultural cooperation)

**Involved Countries:** Greece

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:**

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)**

Improving the mutual knowledge between the two countries, strengthening the bi-lateral S&T cooperation by the development of joint activities and joint participation in international initiatives.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)**

On the Italian side: researchers from Italian public or private universities or research centres.

### **Thematic priorities**

No priority in particular

### **What is funded? (max. 300 characters)**

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Conferences, Exhibitions

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)**

The evaluation procedure is carried in two stages: a national evaluation followed by a joint evaluation.

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

- Scientific relevance of the project (methodology, originality and innovation, scientific qualifications of the proposers);
- Quality of the documentation and presentation of the project;
- Research infrastructures adequacy;
- Need for the bi-lateral cooperation and the roles of the participating research units;
- Potential for creation of R&D collaborations between the two countries;
- Exploitation and dissemination of research results

The following are optional criteria, which influence positively the evaluation:

- Participation of more than 2 research centres or universities in the project, as well as the participation of enterprises and industries (also from third countries);
- Additional financial resources from the proponents or from other organisations (e.g., research institutes, public and private organisations);
- Industrial impact of the results;
- Involvement in other multilateral and European programmes, in particular in the 7<sup>th</sup> FP of the EC.

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

The mobility of researchers or the projects funded under these bi-lateral programmes allow for participation of third-country organisations (which will not be funded under a specific bi-lateral agreement). Participation of third-country organisations (or of additional organisations from the two countries) is evaluated positively.

### **Special remarks (max. 400 characters)**

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**Programme title:** Bi-lateral S&T agreements of the republic of Italy

**Web page:** <http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Home.htm?LANG=EN>

**Contact Person:** Barbara Bregato (head of Office 5 Bi-lateral scientific and cultural cooperation)

**Involved Countries:** Moldova

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2000- unlimited (renewed each 6 years)

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)**

Improving the mutual knowledge between the two countries, strengthening the bi-lateral S&T cooperation by the development of joint activities and joint participation in international initiatives.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)**

On the Italian side: researchers from Italian public or private universities or research centres.

### **Thematic priorities**

No priority in particular

### **What is funded? (max. 300 characters)**

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Conferences, Exhibitions

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)**

The evaluation procedure is carried in two stages: a national evaluation followed by a joint evaluation.

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

- Scientific relevance of the project (methodology, originality and innovation, scientific qualifications of the proposers);
- Quality of the documentation and presentation of the project;
- Research infrastructures adequacy;
- Need for the bi-lateral cooperation and the roles of the participating research units;
- Potential for creation of R&D collaborations between the two countries;
- Exploitation and dissemination of research results

The following are optional criteria, which influence positively the evaluation:

- Participation of more than 2 research centres or universities in the project, as well as the participation of enterprises and industries (also from third countries);
- Additional financial resources from the proponents or from other organisations (e.g., research institutes, public and private organisations);
- Industrial impact of the results;
- Involvement in other multilateral and European programmes, in particular in the 7<sup>th</sup> FP of the EC.

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

The mobility of researchers or the projects funded under these bi-lateral programmes allow for participation of third-country organisations (which will not be funded under a specific bi-lateral agreement). Participation of third-country organisations (or of additional organisations from the two countries) is evaluated positively.

### **Special remarks (max. 400 characters)**

## Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region

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**Programme title:** Bi-lateral S&T agreements of the republic of Italy

**Web page:** <http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Home.htm?LANG=EN>

**Contact Person:** Barbara Bregato (head of Office 5 Bi-lateral scientific and cultural cooperation)

**Involved Countries:** Rumania

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** unlimited

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)**

Improving the mutual knowledge between the two countries, strengthening the bi-lateral S&T cooperation by the development of joint activities and joint participation in international initiatives.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)**

On the Italian side: researchers from Italian public or private universities or research centres.

### **Thematic priorities**

No priority in particular

### **What is funded? (max. 300 characters)**

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Conferences, Exhibitions

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)**

The evaluation procedure is carried in two stages: a national evaluation followed by a joint evaluation.

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

- Scientific relevance of the project (methodology, originality and innovation, scientific qualifications of the proposers);
- Quality of the documentation and presentation of the project;
- Research infrastructures adequacy;
- Need for the bi-lateral cooperation and the roles of the participating research units;
- Potential for creation of R&D collaborations between the two countries;
- Exploitation and dissemination of research results

The following are optional criteria, which influence positively the evaluation:

- Participation of more than 2 research centres or universities in the project, as well as the participation of enterprises and industries (also from third countries);
- Additional financial resources from the proponents or from other organisations (e.g., research institutes, public and private organisations);
- Industrial impact of the results;
- Involvement in other multilateral and European programmes, in particular in the 7<sup>th</sup> FP of the EC.

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

The mobility of researchers or the projects funded under these bi-lateral programmes allow for participation of third-country organisations (which will not be funded under a specific bi-lateral agreement). Participation of third-country organisations (or of additional organisations from the two countries) is evaluated positively.

### **Special remarks (max. 400 characters)**

## Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region

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**Programme title:** Bi-lateral S&T agreements of the republic of Italy

**Web page:** <http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Home.htm?LANG=EN>

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**Involved Countries** Turkey

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2005-2009 (renewed annually)

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)**

Improving the mutual knowledge between the two countries, strengthening the bi-lateral S&T cooperation by the development of joint activities and joint participation in international initiatives.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)**

On the Italian side: researchers from Italian public or private universities or research centres.

### **Thematic priorities**

No priority in particular

### **What is funded? (max. 300 characters)**

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Conferences, Exhibitions

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)**

The evaluation procedure is carried in two stages: a national evaluation followed by a joint evaluation.

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

- Scientific relevance of the project (methodology, originality and innovation, scientific qualifications of the proposers);
- Quality of the documentation and presentation of the project;
- Research infrastructures adequacy;
- Need for the bi-lateral cooperation and the roles of the participating research units;
- Potential for creation of R&D collaborations between the two countries;
- Exploitation and dissemination of research results

The following are optional criteria, which influence positively the evaluation:

- Participation of more than 2 research centres or universities in the project, as well as the participation of enterprises and industries (also from third countries);
- Additional financial resources from the proponents or from other organisations (e.g., research institutes, public and private organisations);
- Industrial impact of the results;
- Involvement in other multilateral and European programmes, in particular in the 7<sup>th</sup> FP of the EC.

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

The mobility of researchers or the projects funded under these bi-lateral programmes allow for participation of third-country organisations (which will not be funded under a specific bi-lateral agreement). Participation of third-country organisations (or of additional organisations from the two countries) is evaluated positively.

### **Special remarks (max. 400 characters)**

## Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region

**Programme title:** GNSF-CNRS Collaborative Bilateral Research Projects  
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**Involved Countries:** Georgia, France

**Programme type :** bilateral, open for foreign participation

**Programme start, end:** October 2009, and will last up to 24 months.

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

On the basis of the Agreement of the Scientific Collaboration signed in Tbilisi on June 27, 2008, the Georgia National Science Foundation (GNSF) and the French Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS) launched this call for proposals for Collaborative Bilateral Research Projects. The Call covers the following 3 fields of exact and natural sciences: mathematics, earth and environment sciences, life sciences.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

From the French side - all CNRS units;

From the Georgian side - research institutes, universities and groups of researchers, participants of the projects submitted to "The State Science Grants Call -2008" **having passed the threshold of 80 points** in above noted 3 scientific fields. Each team (French and Georgian) must include at least one junior scientist.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

The CNRS eligible costs are travel and accommodation costs, research consumables and/or small equipment. In addition the GNSF eligible costs include salaries. Each side (CNRS and GNSF) supports the costs of only its national team, including medical and travel insurances. The hosting team provides assistance to the visiting scientists. The duration of a visiting stay cannot exceed 3 months. Only one project will be funded (30 000 Euros per project) in each scientific field. The duration of the projects is 24 months with a total budget of up to 90 000 Euros for 3 selected projects.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)

The applicants must submit their English written proposal to both CNRS and GNSF. GNSF will provide general evaluation of submitted proposals to establish their compliance with:

(i) the **Eligibility criteria** and (ii) the scientific scope of appropriate projects having passed the threshold of 80 points in "The State Science Grants Call -2008" (in Mathematics, Earth and environment sciences and Life sciences). Selected proposals will be submitted to CNRS for full scale evaluation and the final selection.

### Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)

Projects will be selected on the basis of their quality and novelty, the perspective they offer for developing the CNRS-GNSF collaboration, young researcher's recruitment potential, and the perspective for the future joint application to the EU Framework Programme.

### Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)

Programme is designed for Georgian-French projects. Partner from other countries can participate based on own funds.

### Special remarks (max. 200 characters)

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**Programme title:** NSF & STCU Targeted Research & Development Initiatives (TRDI)

**Webpage:** <http://www.stcu.int/>

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**Involved Countries:** Georgia and the European Union.

**Programme type :** bilateral, open for foreign participation

**Programme start, end:** Nov 2006, open.

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

Targeted Research & Development Initiatives Programme (TRDI) creates an equal partnership between STCU and the governmental science bodies of STCU Beneficiary countries. The STCU and the Beneficiary country agency review and competitively select science research that targets specific national S&T development priorities of the Beneficiary country. Targeted Initiative projects are co-financed using funds from the **Beneficiary country agency** and from the **STCU Donor Parties** of Canada, the European Union, and the United States of America.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

All Georgian State Universities, scientific-research institutes, and non-commercial organizations are eligible.

In accordance with STCU policy, no less than 50% of project participants should be scientists with prior experience in the development of weapons of mass destruction.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

Targeted Research & Development Initiatives projects are co-financed from GNSF and the STCU (50% - 50%) with the aim of selecting projects up to a total US 700, 000, with the Georgian share of financing totalling up to US 350, 000 and the STCU share totalling up to US 350, 000. Project proposals should be limited to total budgets not to exceed US\$ 70,000. Targeted Initiatives Program must be implemented within a period of between 12 to 24 months. Overall, around 10 projects are funded annually. All project related expenses (equipment, salaries, consumables, etc) are eligible.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)

- Those Georgian organizations planning to take part in the competition must prepare and submit to the GNSF for review a preliminary application (so called "short form") in the Georgian language.
- Then around twenty-five or less Georgian project managers will be short listed and STCU will send them directly Full Forms. These project managers will prepare and submit a Full Form proposal in English to the GNSF and STCU
- Following a brief internal review, the STCU will forward these proposal packages for a review of their scientific and technical merits by Western scientific experts.
- Definite confirmation of the list of projects chosen for grant financing for the current year will be determined by a Joint Working Group (comprising representatives from the STCU Western financing parties and the GNSF) that will meet immediately prior to the STCU Governing Board Meeting. The decision will be officially announced at this meeting.

### Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)



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- Scientific justification (uniqueness and level of science presented, understandability and readability, references and citations, etc.);
- Scientific methodology (methodological justification: uniqueness and reasonableness)
- Scientific promise (ability to achieve stated goals, reasonableness of developing new or improving existing technologies from the stated results);
- Applicability and feasibility (ability to achieve stated results based on material and financing requests, as well as upon existing institute technical capacities and resources);
- Sustainability (Feasibility of further scientific development or commercial potential);
- External support and interest (letters of support and expressions of interest to collaborate)

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

Strict requirement for all project submissions is the involvement of at least one scientific collaborator from any of the three western funding parties: the United States, Canada, and the European Union.

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

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**PROGRAMME TITLE:** Bilateral S&T cooperation between the Republic of Greece and the French Republic (2009-2011)

**Web page:** <http://www.gsrt.gr>

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**Involved Countries:** France-Greece

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** 2009-2011

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)**

The General Secretariat for Research & Technology (Hellenic Ministry of Development) and the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Research and Education (French Republic), in the framework of their bilateral S & T Cooperation Program for the years 2009-2011, invites Universities, Technological Institutes, Research Bodies and Public Law entities, to submit joint proposals for R&D projects. The research areas included are the following:

- Biology
- Medicine
- Health

### **Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)**

Universities, Technological Institutes, Research Bodies and Public Law entities.

Only jointly submitted proposals that include at least one partner from a Greek and a French entity will be eligible for evaluation.

### **What is funded? (max. 200 characters)**

- Exchanges of Scientists
- Consumables
- Small equipment items
- General costs (expenditures)

Total funding from the Greek side, per project, comes up to **600.000 € (20.000 € per project)**.

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)**

The Greek applicants should submit three (3) hard copies plus a CD-R of their proposals, accompanied by short CV's of the research team members, to the GSRT's registration service. Proposals should be submitted in greek (accordingly in french for the french side). It is underlined that up to one (1) project will be approved altogether for the same scientific coordinator within the framework of this Call.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

- Scientific excellence and originality of the projects
- Mutual advancement of research through the transfer of knowledge and expertise- deliverables
- Experience and expertise of the teams to complete successfully the project
- The scope of the cooperation with the cooperating country and the specific scientific team
- The appropriateness of the proposed methodology
- In case a certain number of proposals receive the same ranking preference, priority will be given to the proposals submitted providing participation of new researchers.

The final selection of the proposals will be made by the French - Greek Working Group on S&T Cooperation, which will take into consideration the evaluation of both sides.

The duration of the projects should not exceed two (2) years.

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

Within the context of "Exchanges of Scientists", the programme is open for scientists coming from a third Mediterranean or Balkan country, as daily allowance (up to 1 month) is eligible when necessary for the implementation of the cooperation project.

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<b>Special remarks (max. 200 characters)</b>
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## Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region

**Programme title:** BILATERAL S & T COOPERATION

between the REPUBLIC OF TURKEY and the HELLENIC REPUBLIC  
(2010-2011)

**Programme Owner:** The General Secretariat for Research & Technology

Funding Agency: The General Secretariat for Research & Technology

International S&T Cooperation Directorate - Bilateral Relations Division Mesogeion  
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Administering Agency: The General Secretariat for Research & Technology

**Web page:** [http://www.gsrt.gr/default.asp?V\\_ITEM\\_ID=6288](http://www.gsrt.gr/default.asp?V_ITEM_ID=6288)

**Programme type:** bilateral

**Involved Countries:** Greece, Turkey

**Programme start, end:** January 2010-December 2011

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)

To Promote bilateral S & T Cooperation

### Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)

Universities, Research Centres and Institutes, as well as private and public Enterprises

### Thematic priorities

Informatics, Information Technology, Communication Technology

Biology and Biotechnology

Geosciences, Climate Research, Environmental Research and Technologies

Energy, Energy Technologies

### What is funded? (max. 500 characters)

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Consumables, Equipment, Dissemination

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)

After a preliminary exchange of information on the text, **a joint call for R & T proposals** has to be published simultaneously in the two countries.

It is followed by a **2 or 3-months deadline** for the joint submission of the proposals on the specific scientific areas. Each proposal **has to be submitted in both countries**, the Greek partner in Greece and the Turkish partner in Turkey.

- This step is followed by **an evaluation**, by national experts, of the submitted proposals which normally takes 2 to 4 months depending on the number of the proposals. The evaluation takes place in both countries.
- With the completion of the evaluation procedures, the final list of the proposals approved for funding, is set up by **an official Joint Committee** (consisting of high level representatives of both countries), which will be held electronically.
- This list as well as the relevant administrative and financial procedures will be included in **an official 2-years Protocol**, which will be signed during the Joint Committee meeting.

### Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)

- The scientific quality and the research experience of the team submitting the proposal.
- The innovative character, originality and the comprehensive description of the proposal.
- The suitability of the proposed methodology.
- The scope of the co-operation with the cooperating country and the specific scientific team.
- The deliverables of the project.

### International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)

Please indicate, whether the programme is open for involvement of third parties. "Third parties" meaning here organisations or individuals, which are coming neither from the programme owner country nor from the target country/ies of the programme.

Is the programme specifically designed for international cooperation or is international cooperation only part of it (a sub-programme, or an action line, or only an option, etc).

Does the programme provide funding for researchers from EU MS/AC?

What is the background and the rationale of the international dimension of the programme in relation to the national research system?

The program is not open for involvement of third parties

### Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)

Results of the international component of the programme up to now: How many calls have been done and how many projects funded, what are most important thematic priorities and project sizes (if available)?

What are perspectives for the future? Are there changes decided upon or under discussion?

Are there rules for Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) foreseen in the programme and which relevance do they have for international cooperation?

Up to today, one Call has been completed, consisting of 19 projects. The research areas included in the previous call for proposals were the following:

Information and communication technologies and their impact on social and managerial issues

- Biotechnology with special emphasis to health and agriculture applications
- Environmental Sciences as related to integrated water resources management, prevention of forest fires and desertification
- Earthquake resistant structures, exchange of seismological data and disaster management
- Materials technology
- The cooperation with Turkey is relatively new and will continue.

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**Programme title:** German-Turkish research and development projects involving science and industry (2+2 projects)

**Web page:** <http://www.internationales-buero.de/en/3409.php>

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**Involved Countries:** Germany, Turkey

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** first call / project funding 10.1.2009, second call in preparation

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

The aim is to intensify cooperation between German and Turkish representatives of science and industry by means of 2+2 projects. The term "2+2 projects" refers to R&D projects with the participation of at least one German and one Turkish research institution or university as well as one German and one Turkish industry partner. Under this call for proposals, funding can be provided for joint projects that are expected to produce insights and exploitable research results leading to new technologies, products and/or services. The benefits for Germany and Turkey should be clearly identifiable. Funding shall enable these institutions to lay the foundations for a lasting R&D partnership. The 2009 call for proposals supported joint research projects in the area of applied research and development in the fields of *Energy research, Health and Food*.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

Research organizations, state and non-state institutions of higher education, non-university research institutions, and commercial companies, each with their headquarters in Germany or Turkey are eligible to submit applications.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

Funding is provided in the form of non-repayable grants amounting to € 150,000 - € 450,000 per project and country. The duration of the projects generally will be up to three years. However, after the second year the project will be evaluated and funding for the third year approved. The university and company should have equal shares of the overall funding. An allocation of 35-65 % for the university (or company) is acceptable. The Projects may also use additional funds from external sources.

All types of expenses necessary in order to develop the partnership are eligible. This can include the cost of events, work contracts, consumables, travel expenses, personnel and investments.

For Industry/companies applicants:

Grants for commercial companies are calculated on the basis of the project-related costs eligible for funding, up to 50% of which can as a rule be covered by grants, depending on the project's orientation towards application. The EC policy requires the applicants to make an appropriate contribution - at least 50%, as a rule - towards the eligible costs incurred. The European Commission's Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development must be taken into account when determining the rates of funding. The Community Framework allows differentiated bonus arrangements for collaborative projects proposed by small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), which may result in a higher rate of funding.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)

Application form can be downloaded from TÜBITAK and IB websites. The German and the Turkish partners must submit the proposal in English simultaneously to TÜBITAK and BMBF/IB. Unilaterally submitted proposals are not considered.

All proposals received are peer reviewed and processed independently by both sides (TÜBITAK and BMBF / IB). Funding will only be provided if both the TÜBITAK and the IB agree to support the project. Turkish and German program owner compile a separate ranking list. On the basis of the ranking list the projects to be funded are jointly selected and their fund budget jointly decided .

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The partners of the selected projects have to submit a cooperation agreement between the partners prior to the conclusion of the funding contract.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

Essential for funding are the expected scientific progress and the potential for realization and success in accordance with the objectives of this call.

Applications will be considered on the basis of the following criteria:

- Innovation, originality and plausibility of the approach
- Sustainability of the project; long-term strategy of the partnership.
- Commercial exploitability of the expected results
- Human resources development (assessment based on the involvement of graduate or PhD students and scientists in the early stages of their careers)
- Prospects for success (assessment based on availability of human resources and infrastructure, quality of project management and workplan)
- Relevance for the EU integration process (assessment based on association with multilateral networks, experience with EU Framework programmes).
- Scientific excellence and qualification of the applicant
- Scientific impact

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

Programme is designed for German-Turkish projects. Partner from other countries (besides Turkey and Germany) can participate based on own funds.

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

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**Programme title:** Intensified Cooperation (IntenC): Promotion of GermanTurkish Higher Education Research

**Web page:** <http://www.internationales-buero.de/en/2654.php>

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**Involved Countries:** Germany, Turkey

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Thematic Priorities:** (nach definierten Bereichen)

**Programme start, end:** 1.1.2008, open

### Aim and scope of the programme(max. 300 characters)

The programme supports innovative approaches in areas that are currently of high technological interest or relevance to German-Turkish relations. The approaches must open up concrete prospects for future cooperation, build up networks and create a foundation for a lasting partnership that exceeds the period of funding. The targeted promotion of German-Turkish higher education collaborations in innovative fields of research has the aim of giving new impetus to this sector, which is expected to lead to a new level of R&D relations between higher education partners, particularly for the benefit of young researchers.

The funding has to enable the development and implementation of viable cooperation schemes in research and development between German and Turkish universities and lay the foundations for a lasting R&D partnership.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

Only joint applications that include at least one partner from a German and a Turkish university are eligible.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Consumables, Equipment, Conferences and Exhibitions, Dissemination

The funding is granted for a period of three years, up to a maximum amount of €110,000 for each partner. Each partner will receive up to €50,000 in the first year and €30,000 in the second and third years. All project related expenses necessary in order to develop the partnership are eligible. This can include the cost of events, work contracts, consumables, travel expenses, personnel and investments.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)

A joint English application form needs to be completed and submitted in parallel to the German and Turkish program owner. Proposals are evaluated independently with each side using its own procedures and referees. Both sides compile a separate ranking list and the projects to be funded are jointly selected.

### Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)

- Scientific excellence and qualification of the applicant (assessment by external referees or expert committee)
- Originality and plausibility of the approach
- Human resources development (assessment based on the involvement of graduate or PhD students and scientists in the early stages of their careers, among other factors)
- Prospects for success (assessment based on availability of human resources and infrastructure, quality of project management)
- Relevance for the EU integration process (assessment based on association with multilateral networks, experience with EU Framework programmes).
- Sustainability of the project: long-term strategy of the partnership

### Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)



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Programme is designed for German-Turkish projects. Partner from other countries (besides Turkey and Germany) can participate based on own funds.

<b>Special remarks (max. 200 characters)</b>
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**Programme title:** German-Turkish Scientific and Technological Cooperation (STC)  
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**Involved Countries:** Germany, Turkey  
**Programme type :** bilateral  
**Programme start, end:** 1998, open

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

The International Bureau of the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (IB des BMBF) and the Scientific and Technical Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) support cooperation between German and Turkish institutions in scientific research, technological development and education for the preparation and implementation of joint projects, especially in the thematic priorities of the European RTD Framework Programme and national research programmes. Support is generally provided for the exchange of experts aiming at

- Exploring opportunities for cooperation
- Establishing and intensifying contacts with Turkish and German institutions, respectively
- Organizing bilateral workshops
- Performing feasibility and pilot investigations
- Conducting mobility projects
- Preparing joint projects for national or European research programmes, and/or
- Building up sustainable cooperation structures

Only joint applications of at least one partner from each country will be eligible for evaluation. Applications involving small and medium-sized enterprises will be preferred. The incorporation of Mediterranean countries of the Barcelona Process, the Black Sea Cooperation or other partner countries within the framework of corresponding cooperation agreements is possible. The cost of such participation shall normally be borne by third countries.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

Applications may be submitted by German and Turkish universities and non-university research institutions, including business enterprises headquartered in Germany or Turkey and clinics active in research.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

Funds will be awarded as non-repayable grants, for the exchange of experts, the sending party (IB or TÜBİTAK) will cover all related costs connected with travel and lodging according to their own regulations and allowances.

In special cases expenditure (e.g. expendables for feasibility or pilot studies, contracts for work and services) for the German Side additional can be covered by IB. For the Turkish Side, TÜBİTAK may provide additional research funds whenever they consider it appropriate.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)

Proposals will be evaluated independently by TÜBİTAK and IB des BMBF using their own procedures, and only those approved by both sides will be funded.

### Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)

The projects will be assessed according to the following selection criteria:

- Scientific quality of the project and originality of the approach
- Impact on the bilateral scientific and technological relations and mutual benefit
- Intensity of the collaboration with the foreign partner(s)

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- Technology transfer and human resources development and promotion of early career scientists
- Perspectives for building up proposals for the EU RTD Framework Programme or other research funding programmes as follow-up
- Perspectives for social and economic impact

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

If further partner countries are involved, it is assumed that they bear the associated analogous costs.

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

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**Programme title:** Collaborative Call 2009 between the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and the Academy of Sciences of Moldova (ASM)

**Web page:** <http://www.internationales-buero.de/en/3380.php>

**Contact Person:** Anja Köhler

**Involved Countries:** Germany / Moldova

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:**

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

- to promote cooperation between research centers, universities and research groups and to broaden relations between the scientific communities in the both countries;
- to strengthen the cooperation in the field of exchange of scholars, scientists and specialists for study and research visits, and visits in connection with agreed joint activities;
- to encourage cooperative projects of common interest between institutions and organizations of both parties and to foster in particular the optimum use of the opportunities offered by the European R&D Programmes.

In line with the respective research priorities of the BMBF and the ASM, applications in the following fields of research can be submitted

- Citizens and governance in a knowledge-based society;
  - Information and communications technologies;
  - Biomedicine, pharmaceuticals and human health
  - Agricultural biotechnologies and food security
  - Nanotechnologies, industrial engineering and new materials
  - Environment and renewable energy sources.
- The project proposal must encompass 2 components:
1. basic research component; and
  2. a pre-feasibility study component for further collaborative research project proposals under future bilateral calls or other programmes such as the EU Research Framework Programmes (FP7)

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

In Germany, German universities, non-university research institutions, clinics which are active in the field of research and companies that are headquartered in Germany are eligible for funding. In Moldova research institutes and universities accredited by the National Council for Attestation and Accreditation.

The project consortium must comprise at least one team from a German research institute and one team from a Moldovan accredited organization in the sphere of science and innovations;

- The Moldovan team must involve not less than 50 % of young researchers (up to 35 years)
- Members of the team from Moldova should conduct their research work at least 50 % of the time at their home institution;

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

Funded are collaborative research projects for a duration of 12 months, with a budget of up to € 35,000 each, shared between Germany (approximately € 25,000) and Moldova (approximately € 10,000).

On the German side, the funding is awarded in the form of non-repayable grants, for example for

- Travel expenses for German experts travelling to the partner countries (primarily the provision of plane tickets, to be calculated in the financial plan with € 600 per travel)
- Cost of visits by foreign experts to Germany (currently at a rate of €104 per day; monthly rate starting on the 23rd day: €2,400; per diem for additional days in a subsequent month: €77)

Funding can also be provided for

- Staff for the German side, for example for the organization of events and the preparation of applications
- Cost of events (e.g. rental of venue, logistics)
- Material costs that are not part of a laboratory's basic equipment (no PC equipment or basic consumables)

On the Moldovan side

- Additional salaries for Moldovan researchers

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- Purchase of equipment and materials
- Travel costs of researchers from Moldova visiting Germany (economy class flight tickets, train tickets)
- Local transport expenses and per diem for German researchers visiting Moldova.

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)**

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In Moldova, applications should be submitted using the electronic submission system and 2 paper copies with signatures in the Romanian language to the Center of International Projects of the ASM by using the application form available on the website.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

Applications will be considered on the basis of the following criteria:

- The relevance of the research subject to the research policy objectives and priorities of the BMBF and the ASM
- Quality and originality of the envisaged research approach
- Qualifications of the project partners
- Quality of the planned collaboration and recognizable added value added for both partners
- Prospects of success and sustainability of the project initiation / pilot measures
- Chances of commercializing the envisaged project results
- Participation of young scientists
- Profitability / efficiency of the measure

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

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**Programme title:** Cooperation in science, technology and innovation with countries in Central Asia and the South Caucasus as well as with Moldova and Belarus

**Web page:** <http://www.internationales-buero.de/en/2976.php>

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**Involved Countries:** Germany / Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and Belarus

**Programme type :** bilateral

**Programme start, end:** March 2008-June 2009 but will be prolonged

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

The aims of the funding measure are to explore and initiate collaborations in the area of applied research and development. Preference is given to application-oriented projects and projects that include the participation of industry partners (particularly small and medium-sized businesses). This has the aim of preparing the ground for further submissions under current BMBF funding programmes, thematic priorities of the European Union's 7th Research Framework Programme and other EU programmes that are relevant to research. The main areas to receive funding are:

- Measures for the preparation and initiation of project-related or institutional collaborations
- Measures for the initiation and planning of projects and collaborations whose funding is to be applied for under a BMBF specialist programme or an EU programme.

Applications in the following subject areas are especially likely to receive funding:

The environment and sustainability

- Water resources management
- Environmental technologies
- Desertification
- Biodiversity

Geotechnology

- Resource exploration
- CO<sub>2</sub> storage
- Natural hazards

Health research and biosciences

- Infectious diseases: monitoring, detection, prevention
- Phytochemistry (pharmaceutical products)
- Biotechnology: particularly green biotechnology / renewable raw materials

Chemical technologies

- Catalysis research

Applications from other areas can also receive support, provided that they relate to the thematic priorities of a) BMBF specialist programmes or b) EU research programmes.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

German universities, non-university research institutions, clinics which are active in the field of research and companies that are headquartered in Germany, in collaboration with institutions from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and Belarus, are eligible for funding. If it is necessary to choose between applications of equal quality, preference will be given to those involving small and medium-sized enterprises.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

Funding can be provided to cover expenses for preparatory fact-finding visits, project-related scientific exchanges, expert meetings and subject-specific project planning workshops. In well-founded exceptions, expenses for further material costs (e.g. costs of events, special small-scale equipment for feasibility

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studies that are not part of a laboratory's basic equipment) and grants towards personnel costs can also be covered.

On the German side, the funding is awarded in the form of non-repayable grants, for example for

- Travel expenses for German experts travelling to the partner countries (primarily the provision of plane tickets, to be calculated in the financial plan with € 600 per travel)
- Cost of visits by foreign experts to Germany (currently at a rate of €104 per day; monthly rate starting on the 23rd day: €2,400; per diem for additional days in a subsequent month: €77)

Funding can also be provided for

- Staff for the German side, for example for the organization of events and the preparation of applications
- Cost of events (e.g. rental of venue, logistics)
- Material costs that are not part of a laboratory's basic equipment (no PC equipment or basic consumables)

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In Moldova, applications should be submitted using the electronic submission system and 2 paper copies with signatures in the Romanian language to the Center of International Projects of the ASM by using the application form available on the website. Applications are accepted and processed continually.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

Applications will be considered on the basis of the following criteria:

- The relevance of the research subject to the BMBF's research policy objectives, particularly its contribution to the implementation of the BMBF's specialist programmes and, if applicable, the EU's funding programmes
- Quality and originality of the envisaged research approach
- Qualifications of the project partners
- Quality of the planned collaboration and recognizable value added for the German partner(s)
- Prospects of success and sustainability of the project initiation / pilot measures
- Chances of commercializing the envisaged project results
- Participation of young scientists
- Profitability / efficiency of the measure

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

Involvement of partners from other countries in the region possible

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

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**Programme title:** Cooperation between Germany and Ukraine in the areas of science, technology and innovation  
**Web page:** <http://www.internationales-buero.de/en/3048.php>  
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**Involved Countries:** Germany, Ukraine  
**Programme type :** bilateral  
**Programme start, end:** 09.04.2008, 30.11.2008 yearly repetition intended

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

The funding measure is part of Germany and Ukraine's STC and has the aims of initiating and intensifying collaborations in the field of applied research and supporting scientist exchanges in joint research projects. The funding focuses on the following types of mobility measures for research groups consisting of at least one institution from Germany and one institution from Ukraine:

- The initiation and intensification of project-related or institutional collaborations
- Measures for the initiation and planning of projects and collaborations whose funding is to be applied for under a BMBF specialist programme or an EU programme
- The integration of Ukrainian partners in ongoing BMBF- or EU-funded projects can also be supported.

Preference is given to application-oriented projects and projects that include the participation of industry partners, particularly small and medium-sized businesses. This has the aim of creating a basis for further submissions under current BMBF funding programmes, thematic priorities of the European Union's 7th Research Framework Programme, and other EU programmes that are relevant to research.

This joint call for proposals focuses on cooperation in the field of health research, including medical technology. The main fields of action include:

- The effective combat of diseases
- Research in the field of health protection
- Collaborations between industry and science in the field of health research (especially diagnostic and therapeutic agents and medical technology)

On the German side, the subject areas will be geared towards the Federal Government's Health Research Programme (<http://www.gesundheitsforschung-bmbf.de/en/index.php>).

Under the regulations of this call, proposals relating to other subjects can also be submitted, provided that they correspond to the research policy priorities of both countries. This applies to the following fields in particular:

- Nanotechnology
- Optical technologies
- Biotechnology
- Information and communication technologies
- The environment and sustainability

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

On the German side, research proposals may be submitted by institutions of higher education, non-university research institutions in collaboration with Ukrainian partner institutions, clinics that are active in the field of research, and commercial companies that are headquartered in Germany. Preference will be given to applications involving small and medium-sized enterprises.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

Funding can be provided to cover the costs of preparatory fact-finding visits, project-related scientific exchanges, expert meetings and subject-specific project planning workshops. In well-founded exceptional



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cases, expenses for further material costs (e.g. the cost of events, special small-scale equipment for feasibility studies that are not part of the laboratory's basic equipment) and grants towards personnel costs can also be covered.

On the German side, funding is awarded in the form of non-repayable grants, for example for

- Travel expenses for German experts travelling to Ukraine (primarily the provision of plane tickets)
- Cost of visits by foreign experts to Germany (currently at a rate of €82 per day; monthly rate starting on the 23rd day: €1,840; per diem for additional days in a subsequent month: €61)
- In well-founded exceptional cases: staff on the German side, for example for events and feasibility studies
- Cost of events (e.g. rental of venue, logistics)
- Material costs that are not part of the laboratory's basic equipment (no PC equipment or basic consumables)

In the first step, the maximum duration of the projects is 18 months. At the end of each calendar year, the German project leaders will be asked to submit a report on the progress of the project and an updated project plan for the subsequent calendar year.

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)**

Each proposal must be jointly submitted by at least one group of researchers in Germany and one group of researchers in Ukraine.

The German project leader should use the electronic web-based application form of the International Bureau (IB) of the BMBF, which is available at [http://www.ewa.internationales-buero.de/?project\\_cat=3](http://www.ewa.internationales-buero.de/?project_cat=3). It is to be expected that the Ukrainian side will provide appropriate information on the submission procedure for corresponding Ukrainian proposals in due course, for example on the website of the Ukrainian Ministry of Education and Science (<http://www.mon.gov.ua/>).

Applications are accepted and processed continually. In principle, proposals should be submitted at least 3 months before the start of the planned project in order to ensure that a decision can be reached in good time. In exceptional cases, for example in the case of priority preparatory measures and special measures, the period between the submission of the proposal and the start of funding can be shortened.

### **Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)**

Applications will be considered on the basis of the following criteria, among others:

- Inclusion of new cooperation partners
- Scientific quality of the work plan, originality of the approach
- Qualification of the involved institutions
- Quality of the collaboration and mutual benefit
- Added value compared with cooperation to date, synergies
- Applicability of the expected results / industry participation (particularly from SMEs)
- Support of young scientists
- The projects will be evaluated in consultation with experts in the relevant fields.
- The submission of an application does not establish a legal claim to funding.

### **Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)**

The funding measure is part of the bilateral German-Ukrainian S/T cooperation; partners from other countries can participate based on own funds or funded by analogous bilateral funding measures with Germany, where existing.

### **Special remarks (max. 200 characters)**

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**Programme title:** Bilateral scientific and technical cooperation between Bulgaria and Romania (2007 - 2009) and Bulgaria and Ukraine (2009 – 2010)

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**Involved Countries:** Bulgaria – Romania

**Programme type :** Bilateral

**Programme start, end:** Date of joint publication of call of proposals with fixed deadline for submission of applications

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

The aim of the joint competition is funding projects with a thematic scope jointly agreed and of mutual interest to partner countries and organizations leading to establishment of sustainable cooperation relevant for the region and benefiting young researchers.

Concrete scope and conditions is jointly agreed on a mutual basis. For the described bilateral programmes there are no thematic priorities and all science disciplines are eligible for funding.

For the cooperation between Bulgaria and Romania for the period 2007-2009 the priority research areas were:

1. Environment 2. Marine Science 3. Sustainable Agriculture 4. Information Technology and Telecommunications
5. Life sciences and biotechnology 6. New materials and nano sciences 7. Humanities and Social Sciences

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

Only joint applications that include at least one partner from a Bulgarian and a Romanian University or research organisation are eligible. Only juridical bodies are eligible applicants

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

The funding is granted for a period of two years. The sending country is covering international travel costs between countries. The receiving side is covering the costs of internal travel necessary for implementation of the approved work programme, accommodation and living expenses. In addition, some research expenses of the Bulgarian partner for equipment and consumables, personnel, grants for young researchers involved in the project, events and publications are eligible.

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### Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)

- Compliance with the stated priority areas
- Scientific excellence and quality of the proposed project and experience of the scientific research team
- Novelty, originality and clearly structured approach
- Relevance of the project
- Adequate methodological approach for the development of the project with clear, reasonable and realistic goal and hypothesis

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- Participation of young scientists (Ph. D and / or POST DOC researchers) in the project
- Impact from the project in terms of increasing mobility between the counterparts
- Impact of the project toward solving significant regional research problems
- Priority is given to proposals with proven co-financing by national, regional, international and / or European programs.
- Adequate financial plan (Assessment of the Bulgarian contribution to the research project and the counterpart contribution)
- Expected practical application
- Sustainability of the proposed project in terms of establishing long-lasting cooperation between the partners

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Programme is designed for Bulgarian and Romanian projects

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<b>Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)</b>
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Programme is designed Bulgarian and Ukrainian projects

<b>Special remarks (max. 200 characters)</b>
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**Programme title:** ST Cooperation between Hungary and Turkey  
Funding Agency: NKTH [National Office for Research and Technology](#)  
Administering Agency: S&T Foundation  
**Web page:** [www.nkth.gov.hu](http://www.nkth.gov.hu); [www.tetalap.hu](http://www.tetalap.hu)  
**Programme type:** bilateral  
**Involved Countries:** Turkey  
**Programme start, end:** biannual (duration: 24 months)

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)

Applied research co-operation, co-operation that aims FP7, or other international programmes

Where does the budget come from? (e.g. different ministries, etc.)

From our own budget, which is part of the government's budget

Which types of activities/projects can be funded: mobility, basic research, applied research, technology development, etc.)?

Mobility

### Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)

Universities, research institutes, economic agents

### Thematic priorities

Thematically open - no particular priority Economics, Social Sciences, Humanities are not eligible

### What is funded? (max. 500 characters)

Travel costs

What is the funding mechanism (S&T grants, fellowships, awards, service contracts based on the public procurement law, others)?

S&T grants

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)

What are the application and the peer review/evaluation procedures for the proposals?

First: peer review; Second: ranking by International S&T Coordination Board (made of representatives of the ministries concerned)

How does the trans-national selection procedure look like (joint committees, etc.)?

Joint Committee. Both sides have veto rights.

### Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)

- scientific value
- feasibility
- international importance of the proposed project
- clarity of the financing request

### International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)

Third parties may join by providing their own funds.

The programme is specifically designed for international cooperation.

### Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)

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Administering Agency: S&T Foundation  
**Web page:** [www.nkth.gov.hu](http://www.nkth.gov.hu); [www.tetalap.hu](http://www.tetalap.hu)  
**Programme type:** bilateral  
**Involved Countries:** Romania,  
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**Involved Countries:** Ukraine  
**Programme start, end:** biannual (duration: 24 months)

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)

Applied research co-operation, co-operation that aims FP7, or other international programmes

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- feasibility
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### International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)

Third parties may join by providing their own funds.

The programme is specifically designed for international cooperation.

### Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)





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### Programme title:

- Bi-Lateral S&T Cooperation AgreementsThe Programme for Joint Research Projects within the Framework of the Agreement between TUBITAK and Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (BAS)
- The Programme for Joint Research Projects within the Framework of the Agreement between TUBITAK and National Authority for Scientific Research of Romania (ANCS)
- The Programme for Joint Research Projects within the Framework of the Agreement between TUBITAK and the Russian Foundation for Basic Research (RFBR)
- The Programme for Joint Research Projects within the Framework of the Agreement between TUBITAK and the Ministry of Ukraine for Science and Technology
- The Programme for Joint Research Projects within the Framework of the Agreement between TUBITAK and the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (NASU)

### Programme Owner:

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)

Responsible Division: International Cooperation Department

### Programme Manager:

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)

Responsible Division: International Cooperation Department – Bilateral and Multilateral Relations Division

**Web page:** <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/home.do?ot=1&sid=999&pid=553>

**Programme type:** *bilateral*

**Involved Countries:** Bulgaria, Romania, Ukraine and Russia.

### Programme start, end:

Separate bilateral programmes with Bulgaria, Romania, Ukraine and Russia:

Country	Duration	Details
Bulgaria	2002 - --- (renewed every 3 years)	Call is always open
Romania	2007	Call is opened every two years
Ukraine (Ministry)	1997 - --- (activated in 2003)	Call is opened every two years
Ukraine (NASU)	2003 - --- (renewed every 5 years)	Call is opened every year
Russia	2007 - ---	Call is opened every year

### Programme setting-up

The bilateral programmes are defined through Turkey's international S&T strategy and foreign policy. The bilateral agreements cover a vast majority of the Black Sea Countries, and the third parties can join the joint projects under these programmes if they cover their own costs.

### Aim and scope of the programmes (max. 3 sentences )

The joint projects between the Turkish and BG/RO/UKR/RU Researchers are supported under these programmes in order to develop and strengthen scientific and technological cooperation between Turkey and respective countries.

### Funded Activities (max 300 characters)

Project durations may change between maximum two to three years from programme to programme, yet the maximum amount of grant for one year is 120.000 Turkish Liras (approx. 56.000 Euros) in every programme. Mobility, as well as the research expenses of the researcher (equipment, consumables) are covered. Support for infrastructure is not provided.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

Turkish Researchers from universities, public and private sector can apply as project coordinators to this programme. The project coordinator should have a PhD degree if he/she is from the university, otherwise

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he/she should have a degree from a 4 year undergraduate programme of a university (for public/private sector). Only joint applications that are submitted at both sides are evaluated. Although the private sector can apply to the programmes, the programme specifications are more convenient for academic research.

### **Thematic priorities**

Thematically open - no particular priority (Although some programmes may have priority fields, all fields are supported)

### **Funding (max. 300 characters)**

#### **Budget**

There is no specific budget limitation regarding the programmes. The scientific excellence of the projects is important in the evaluation process. Yet, when there is a budgetary limitation from the other side, the projects are ranked and the highest ranked ones that both sides agree upon are supported.

#### **Funding Mechanism**

S&T grants to researchers, fellowships to young researchers who continue their masters and Phd degrees and involved in the project

#### **Funds distribution mechanism**

Each programme has different deadlines for submission. Yet, for instance, programme with Bulgaria is always open. The time of the opening and closing of a call is specified between the respective parties.

### **Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)**

The project applications are evaluated through peer review composed by independent researchers who have expertise in that field. The reviewers are selected from Turkey. A panel is composed of 5 reviewers. The reviewers are selected according to their expertise.

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

Scientific excellence and qualification of the applicant,  
Originality of the subject and relevance of the methodology,  
Importance of bilateral cooperation,  
Potential impact of the project.

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

Programme is designed for Turkish and BG/RO/UKR/RU researchers (respectively). Partners from other countries (besides Turkey and the country in question) can participate based on own funds.

### **Additional remarks (max. 400 characters)**

All these bilateral programmes are active at the moment and the difficulties in the implementation stage are constantly worked upon to be solved. There are not major changes discussed to be implemented in the near future. Yet, there are other Black Sea countries that TUBITAK would like to have cooperation with. There are still ongoing efforts for this.

IPR Rules for each programme are specified within the Cooperation Agreement or the Executive Protocol signed between the parties.

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**Programme title:** Collaborative Call between the National Authority for Scientific Research of Romania and the Academy of Sciences of Moldova (ASM)

**Programme Owner:** Academy of Sciences of Moldova

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**Web page:** [www.asm.md](http://www.asm.md), [www.international.asm.md](http://www.international.asm.md)

**Programme type:** bilateral

**Involved Countries:** Republic of Moldova, Romania

**Programme start, end:** 2010-2012

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)

The aim of the Programme is to strengthen the cooperation, links between the researchers of the two countries in all scientific fields and the implementation of scientific results in common interest fields. The programme also envisages the facilitation of the integration of the Moldovan scientific community into the research and development system of the European Union, preparation of Moldovan teams to participate in community programmes, especially the Seventh Framework Programme, as well as develop towards the collaboration within regional programmes as those of the BSEC.

### Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)

In Romania: universities, research centers and institutes, as well as private and public enterprises.

In Moldova research institutes and universities accredited by the National Council for Attestation and Accreditation.

The project consortium must comprise at least one team from a Romanian team and one team from a Moldovan accredited organization in the sphere of science and innovations.

The Moldovan team must involve not less than 50 % of young researchers (up to 35 years).

### Thematic priorities

Environment;  
Agriculture;  
Health;  
Technologies;  
Products and services;  
Science and information resources management

### What is funded? (max. 500 characters)

Funding Mechanism: S&T non-repayable grants

Funds distribution mechanism: Open Call

- 1) Basic and applied research projects (including mobility);
- 2) Scientific seminars;
- 3) Summer schools.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)

Proposals, which are submitted to the both Parties, are peer-reviewed independently by the Romanian and the Moldovan side. Only proposals approved by both partners can be funded.

In Moldova, the evaluation procedure has two steps:

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1. Screening: registered proposals are screened for eligibility and completeness in compliance with the conditions and requirements stipulated in the Guide for Applicants. Missing or incorrect information is requested for resubmission within 3 days.

2. Review: Eligible proposals are submitted to the Review Advisory Council of the Academy of Sciences of Moldova, who selects 2 reviewers per proposal from the project's scientific field. The Council is compiling a list with the review results (rates) and funding recommendations, which are after discussed by a mixed commission of representatives from the both funding Parties.

### **Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)**

Applications will be considered on the basis of the following criteria:

- The relevance of the research subject to the research policy objectives and priorities of the ANCS and the ASM
- Quality and originality of the envisaged research approach
- Qualifications of the project partners
- Quality of the planned collaboration and recognizable added value added for both partners
- Prospects of sustainability and continuation of researches within EU programmes, esp. FP7
- Chances of commercializing the envisaged project results
- Participation of young scientists
- Profitability / efficiency of the measure

### **International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)**

Third parties can participate in the project, provided they finance themselves their activities.

### **Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)**

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**Programme title:** Collaborative Call between the Academy of Sciences of Moldova (ASM) and the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine (MESU)

**Programme Owner:** Academy of Sciences of Moldova

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**Web page:** [www.asm.md](http://www.asm.md), [www.international.asm.md](http://www.international.asm.md)

**Programme type:** bilateral

**Involved Countries:** Republic of Moldova, Ukraine

**Programme start, end:** 2009, open

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)

The aim of the Call was to contribute to the initiation and/or development of scientific collaboration between the scientists of the Republic of Moldova and their Ukrainian colleagues, in the field of basic scientific researches.

### Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)

In Moldova research institutes and universities accredited by the National Council for Attestation and Accreditation.

The project consortium must comprise at least one team from a Russian research institute and one team from a Moldovan accredited organization in the sphere of science and innovations.

The Moldovan team must involve not less than 50 % of young researchers (up to 35 years). Members of the team from Moldova should conduct their research work at least 50 % of the time at their home institution.

### Thematic priorities

- Biomedicine, pharmaceuticals, health protection and fortification;
- Agricultural biotechnologies, soil fertility and food security;
- Nanotechnologies, industrial engineering, new chemical materials and substances;
- Rising the efficiency and assuring the security of the energy complex;
- Economic sciences and humanities.

### What is funded? (max. 500 characters)

Basic Research Projects

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)

In Moldova, applications should be submitted in Russian and Romanian languages to the Academy of Sciences of Moldova, while in the Russian Federation – to the Russian Foundation for Basic Research.

In Moldova, the evaluation procedure has two steps:

5. Screening: registered proposals are screened for eligibility and completeness in compliance with the conditions and requirements stipulated in the Guide for Applicants. Missing or incorrect information is requested for resubmission within 3 days.

6. Review: Eligible proposals are submitted to the Review Advisory Council of the Academy of Sciences of Moldova, who selects 2 reviewers per proposal from the project's scientific field. The Council is compiling a list with the review results (rates) and funding recommendations, which are after discussed by a mixed commission of representatives from the both funding Parties.

### Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)

Applications will be considered on the basis of the following criteria:

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- The relevance of the research subject to the research policy objectives and priorities of the ANCS and the ASM
- Quality and originality of the envisaged research approach
- Qualifications of the project partners
- Quality of the planned collaboration and recognizable added value added for both partners
- Prospects of sustainability and continuation of researches within EU programmes, esp. FP7
- Chances of commercializing the envisaged project results
- Participation of young scientists
- Profitability / efficiency of the measure

### **International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)**

Third parties can participate in the project, provided they finance themselves their activities.

### **Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)**

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**Programme title:**

**Programme Owner:**

**Web page:**

**Programme type:** bilateral

**Involved Countries:**

**Programme start, end:**

**Aim and scope of the programme (max. 1000 characters)**

**Beneficiaries (max. 500 characters)**

**Thematic priorities**

**What is funded? (max. 500 characters)**

**Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 1000 characters)**

**Selection criteria (max. 500 characters)**

**International cooperation options (max. 1000 characters)**

**Additional remarks (max. 1000 characters)**



### **Unilateral Programmes**

international S&T funding programmes, funded and implemented by one country. They support international S&T cooperation of scientists situated in the funding country with scientists in certain target countries

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### Programme title: Humboldt Research Fellowships

**Web:** <http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/programmes-by-target-group.html>

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**Involved Countries:** All countries of the world

**Programme type :** unilateral

**Programme start, end:** Running since 1953

#### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)

Scientific exchange between Germany and the world, aiming at excellent researchers and scientists willing to conduct their project in Germany. Humboldt Research Fellowships are the instrument with which the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation enables highly-qualified scientists and scholars from abroad to spend extended periods of research (up to 24 months) in Germany. Scientists and scholars from all disciplines and countries may apply.

Research projects are carried out in cooperation with academic hosts at research institutions in Germany. Candidates choose their own research projects and their host in Germany and prepare their own research plan.

Candidates are selected solely on the basis of their academic record. There are no quotas for individual disciplines or countries.

#### Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)

Excellent scientists and researchers who either are just embarking on their academic careers and who completed their doctorates less than four years ago (post-docs) or who completed their doctorates less than twelve years ago (experienced researchers).

#### Thematic priorities

No priority in particular

#### What is funded? (max. 300 characters)

The research fellowship (between 2.250 EUR and 2.450 EUR, depending on the qualification of the fellow) is awarded in order to carry out a research project, which has been chosen by the research fellow and agreed upon with the host, at a host institute in Germany; it is supposed to cover subsistence in Germany.

#### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)

There are no deadlines for applications.

#### Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)

1. **Doctorate** or comparable academic degree (Ph.D., C.Sc. or equivalent), completed less than four resp. twelve years prior to the date of application.
2. The candidate's **own research profile** documented by a comprehensive list of **academic publications** reviewed according to international standards and printed in journals and/or by publishing houses.
3. **Confirmation that research facilities are available** and a **detailed expert's report** by an academic host at a research institution in Germany.
4. **Expert references** from important collaborative partners and/or academics from the candidate's own institute and, if possible, from abroad.
5. **Language skills:** scholars in the humanities or social sciences and physicians must have a good knowledge of German if it is necessary to carry out the project successfully; otherwise a good knowledge of English; scientists and engineers must have a good knowledge of German or English.

#### International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)

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Special remarks (max. 400 characters)
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**Programme title:** TUBITAK Fellowship Programmes

- Visiting Scientists Fellowship Programme
- RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME FOR FOREIGN CITIZENS

**Policy Maker :**

*The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)*

Programme Owner:

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)

Responsible Division: Science Fellowships and Grant Programmes Department

**Programme Manager:**

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)

Responsible Division: Science Fellowships and Grant Programmes Department

**Web page:** <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/home.do?ot=1&sid=999&pid=553>

**Programme type:** unilateral

**Involved Countries:** Open to All Countries

**Programme start, end:**

The Visiting Scientists Fellowship Programme accepts applications once every month. The other programmes have two application periods during the year.

### Programme setting-up

The programmes are defined through Turkish S&T Human Resources Strategy. The programmes may be used in an international call designed to support mobility.

### Aim and scope of the programmes

to support highly qualified PhD students/researchers to perform part of their research in Turkey

### Funded Activities (max 300 characters)

travel and research grants (per month) are met by TÜBİTAK. Health insurance may also be included.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

be a non-Turkish citizen

be under the age of 35

be accepted by one of the universities or research institutes in Turkey

certify that he/she has sufficient English or Turkish to perform the research

### Thematic priorities

Thematically open - no particular priority

### Funding (max. 300 characters)

#### Funding Mechanism

These are all fellowship programmes. For what is funded within each programme, see above (Funded Activities).

#### Funds distribution mechanism

Application Periods: March and October

### Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)

Evaluation is made by TUBITAK - Department of Science Fellowships and Grant Programmes (BİDEB) Evaluation and Support Commission, following the deadlines of the programme within the year, with regard to the selection criteria defined for the programme.

### Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)

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The applicant's background and academic achievements, planned subject of research, recommendation letters, language adequacy certificate and views of the host scientist/institution are the main points taken into consideration during the evaluation procedure

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

The programmes have no country specifications and supports both incoming foreign researchers and outgoing Turkish researchers.

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**Programme title:** Georg Forster Research Fellowships

**Web:** <http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/programmes-by-target-group.html>

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**Involved Countries: from Black Sea Region:** Armenia, Azerbaidzhan, Georgia, Moldova

**Programme type :** unilateral

scientific exchange between Germany and developing and threshold countries, aiming at excellent scholars and scientists willing to conduct their project in Germany; the research proposal must address issues of significant relevance to the future development of your country of origin and, in this context, promise to facilitate the transfer of knowledge and methods to developing and threshold countries.

**Programme start, end:** Running since 1998

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)

Humboldt Research Fellowships are the instrument with which the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation enables highly-qualified scientists and scholars from abroad to spend extended periods of research (up to 24 months) in Germany. Scientists and scholars from all disciplines from developing and threshold countries may apply. The research proposal must deal with issues of major relevance to the future development of the candidate's country of origin and, in this context, particularly suited to transferring knowledge and methods to developing and threshold countries.

Research projects are carried out in cooperation with academic hosts at research institutions in Germany. Candidates choose their own research projects and their host in Germany and prepare their own research plan.

Candidates are selected solely on the basis of their academic record. There are no quotas for individual disciplines or countries.

### Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)

Excellent scientists and researchers who either are just embarking on their academic careers and who completed their doctorates less than four years ago (post-docs) or who completed their doctorates less than twelve years ago (experienced researchers).

### Thematic priorities

No priority in particular

The research proposal must deal with issues of major relevance to the future development of the candidate's country of origin and, in this context, particularly suited to transferring knowledge and methods to developing and threshold countries.

### What is funded? (max. 300 characters)

The research fellowship (between 2.250 EUR and 2.450 EUR, depending on the qualification of the fellow) is awarded in order to carry out a research project, which has been chosen by the research fellow and agreed upon with the host, at a host institute in Germany; it is supposed to cover subsistence in Germany.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)

There are no deadlines for applications.

### Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)

1. **Doctorate** or comparable academic degree (Ph.D., C.Sc. or equivalent), completed less than four resp. twelve years prior to the date of application.
2. The candidate's **own research profile** documented by a comprehensive list of **academic publications** reviewed according to international standards and printed in journals and/or by publishing houses.
3. **Confirmation that research facilities are available** and a **detailed expert's report** by an academic host at a research institution in Germany.

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4. **Expert references** from important collaborative partners and/or academics from the candidate's own institute and, if possible, from abroad.

5. **Language skills:** scholars in the humanities or social sciences and physicians must have a good knowledge of German if it is necessary to carry out the project successfully; otherwise a good knowledge of English; scientists and engineers must have a good knowledge of German or English.

<b>International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)</b>
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<b>Special remarks (max. 400 characters)</b>
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**Programme title:** TUBITAK Fellowship Programmes

- Visiting Scientists Fellowship Programme
- RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME FOR FOREIGN CITIZENS

**Policy Maker/Programme Manager:**

*The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)*

Programme Owner:

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)

Responsible Division: Science Fellowships and Grant Programmes Department

**Web page:** <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/home.do?ot=1&sid=999&pid=553>

**Programme type:** unilateral

**Involved Countries:** Open to All Countries

**Programme start, end:**

The Visiting Scientists Fellowship Programme accepts applications once every month. The other programmes have two application periods during the year.

### Programme setting-up

The programmes are defined through Turkish S&T Human Resources Strategy. The programmes may be used in an international call designed to support mobility.

### Aim and scope of the programmes

to contribute to the improvement of human resources and the research at public or private institutions by supporting scientists working at universities or research centres abroad to visit Turkey by seminars conferences, lectures, research and technological innovation.

### Funded Activities (max 300 characters)

Travel expenses of the visiting scientist are met by TÜBİTAK. Moreover, for visits up to 4 weeks, an honorarium may be given to the visiting scientist. For long term visits, additional support may be offered, in order to contribute to monthly expenses of the visiting scientist.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

Scientists or researchers employed by the state and private sector institutions

### Thematic priorities

Thematically open - no particular priority

### Funding (max. 300 characters)

#### Funding Mechanism

These are all fellowship programmes. For what is funded within each programme, see above (Funded Activities).

#### Funds distribution mechanism

Application Periods: the last working day of each month

### Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)

Evaluation is made by TUBITAK - Department of Science Fellowships and Grant Programmes (BİDEB) Evaluation and Support Commission, following the deadlines of the programme within the year, with regard to the selection criteria defined for the programme.

### Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)

The visiting scientist's background, planned subject of research (originality of the subject, importance for the development of S&T in Turkey), visiting scientist's successful research activities on the subject before, hosting scientist's successful research activities on the subject before, hosting institution's infrastructure at the graduate studies and research, facilities and resources the hosting institution can offer to the visiting scientist are the main points taken into consideration during the evaluation procedure



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<b>International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)</b>
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The programmes have no country specifications and supports both incoming foreign researchers and outgoing Turkish researchers.

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**Programme title:** The Programme for Joint Research Projects within the Framework of the Agreement between TUBITAK and the National Research Council of Italy (CNR)

**Web page:** <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/home.do?ot=1&sid=999&pid=553>

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**Involved Countries:** Turkey, Italy

**Programme type (bilateral/multilateral):** Bilateral

**Programme start, end:** Call is opened every two years. Call in 2009 will be closed on 23 September 2009.

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 300 characters)

The joint projects between the Turkish and Italian Researchers are supported under this programme in order to develop and strengthen scientific and technological cooperation between the two countries.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

Turkish Researchers from universities, public and private sector can apply as project coordinators to this programme. The project coordinator should have a PhD degree if he/she is from the university; otherwise he/she should have a degree from a 4 year undergraduate programme of a university (for public/private sector). Only joint applications that are submitted at both sides are evaluated.

### What is funded? (max. 200 characters)

Project can be up to three years and can receive a maximum amount of 120.000 Turkish Liras (approx. 56.000 Euros) per year. Mobility, as well as the research expenses of the researcher (equipment, consumables) are covered. Support for infrastructure is not provided.

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 200 characters)

Applications should be submitted to TUBITAK and CNR by Turkish and Italian Researchers, respectively, through a joint English application form agreed by both sides. Proposals are evaluated independently by both sides through their own procedures (through peer review composed by independent researchers, in case of TUBITAK). Following the evaluation process, both sides share their views on the applications and only the projects that are agreed by both sides are selected for starting.

### Selection criteria (max. 200 characters)

Scientific excellence and qualification of the applicant,  
Originality of the subject and relevance of the methodology,  
Importance of bilateral cooperation,  
Potential impact of the project,

### Feasibility for international cooperation (max. 200 characters)

Programme is designed for Turkish – Italian projects. Partners from other countries (besides Turkey and Italy) can participate based on own funds.

### Special remarks (max. 200 characters)

**National Programmes**

S&T funding programmes, which are open for international participation

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**Programme title:** ZIM Zentrales Innovationsprogramm Mittelstand, Programme Line: ZIM-KOOP  
**Web page:** <http://www.zim-bmw.de/>  
**Contact Person:** Projektträger AiF, AiF-Geschäftsstelle Berlin, Tel.: 030 48163-451, E-Mail: zim@aif-in-berlin.de  
**Involved Countries:** Germany and partners from any country  
**Programme type :** national  
**Programme start, end:** 2008 - 2013

### **Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)**

ZIM supports innovation and competitiveness in small and medium-sized businesses. The programme line ZIM-KOOP aims at stimulating market oriented R&D and innovation, the transfer of research results into market relevant innovation and at strengthening R&D cooperation of schemes with research institutions. Thus, ZIM-KOOP supports R&D cooperation for the development of new products or processes in the following constellations:

- between two companies minimum
- between one company and one research institution minimum
- joint projects between four companies minimum and two research institutions minimum
- contract research for companies willing to contract a research partner

### **Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)**

small and medium-sized enterprises  
companies with up to 1.000 employees (only in 2009 and 2010)  
public and private non-profit research institutions

### **Thematic priorities**

No priority in particular

### **What is funded? (max. 300 characters)**

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Consumables, Equipment, Conferences and Exhibitions, Dissemination

### **Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)**

Application is possible at any time; application forms can be obtained at [www.zim-bmw.de](http://www.zim-bmw.de) and have to be handed in at AiF. It is possible to hand in a draft concept for a first feedback or consult AiF before the application. The funding for companies is limited to 350.000 Euros, for research institutions to 175.00 Euros and the total sum of a joint R&D project is limited to 2 Mio. Euros.

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

For R&D cooperation according to a. and b. foreign companies can be project partners;  
for R&D cooperation according to c. foreign companies and research institutions can be project partners;  
for contract research according to d. foreign research partners can be contracted.

However, in cases a. – c., foreign partners receive no funding.

### **Special remarks (max. 400 characters)**

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**Programme title:** TUBITAK Fellowship Programmes  
PhD FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME FOR FOREIGN CITIZENS  
Overseas PhD Fellowship Programme  
Overseas Research Fellowship Programme

**Policy Maker :**

*The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)*

Programme Owner:

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)

Responsible Division: Science Fellowships and Grant Programmes Department

**Programme Manager:**

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)

Responsible Division: Science Fellowships and Grant Programmes Department

**Web page:** <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/home.do?ot=1&sid=999&pid=553>

**Programme type:** national

**Involved Countries:**

PhD FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME FOR FOREIGN CITIZENS	Open to All Countries
Overseas PhD Fellowship Programme	Open to Turkish citizens
Overseas Research Fellowship Programme	Open to Turkish citizens

**Programme start, end:**

The Visiting Scientists Fellowship Programme accepts applications once every month. The other programmes have two application periods during the year.

### Programme setting-up

The programmes are defined through Turkish S&T Human Resources Strategy. The programmes may be used in an international call designed to support mobility.

### Aim and scope of the programmes

PhD Fellowship Programme For Foreign Citizens	to support highly qualified students intending to complete their PhD studies in Turkey.
Overseas PhD Fellowship Programme	PhD studies of graduate students to get their PhD degrees at research centres or universities abroad are supported, in the areas which are determined by TUBITAK's Scientific Council.
Overseas Research Fellowship Programme	PhD Students, who are enrolled in PhD programmes in Natural Sciences, Medical Sciences, Social Sciences and Humanities and Engineering and Technological Sciences at the universities or research centres in Turkey, are supported to perform research abroad which can not be performed with the infrastructures in Turkey.

### Funded Activities (max 300 characters)

PhD Fellowship Programme For Foreign Citizens	travel and research grants (per month) are met by TÜBİTAK. Tuition fees and health insurance may also be included.
Overseas PhD Fellowship Programme	TUBITAK gives a monthly allowance which also includes education fees and health insurance as a

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	lump sum payment for every three periods. Travel costs may also be met by TUBITAK.
Overseas Research Fellowship Programme	TUBITAK gives a monthly allowance as a lump sum payment for every three periods. Travel costs may also be met by TUBITAK.

### Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)

PhD Fellowship Programme For Foreign Citizens	be a non-Turkish citizen be under the age of 30 be accepted as a PhD student at a university in Turkey certify that he/she has sufficient English or Turkish to pursue his/her studies
Overseas PhD Fellowship Programme	be a Turkish citizen be under the age of 30 certify that he/she has sufficient English to perform the research BSc degree with GPA minimum 3.00/4.00 or 80.00/100.00 according to the grading system of the university
Overseas Research Fellowship Programme	be a Turkish citizen be registered to a PhD programme and passed the PhD proficiency exam not have been supported by this grant for at least 3 years Acceptance from an institution abroad certify that he/she has sufficient English to perform the research not being supported at the same time by any scholarship programme or within the context of any research project financially contributed by TUBITAK

### Thematic priorities

Thematically open - no particular priority

### Funding (max. 300 characters)

#### Budget

There is no specific budget of the programmes.

#### Funding Mechanism

These are all fellowship programmes. For what is funded within each programme, see above (Funded Activities).

#### Funds distribution mechanism

PhD Fellowship Programme For Foreign Citizens	Application Periods: February and September
Overseas PhD Fellowship Programme	Application Periods: April
Overseas Research Fellowship Programme	Application Periods: February and September

### Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)

Evaluation is made by TUBITAK - Department of Science Fellowships and Grant Programmes (BİDEB)

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Evaluation and Support Commission, following the deadlines of the programme within the year, with regard to the selection criteria defined for the programme.

<b>Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)</b>	
PhD Fellowship Programme For Foreign Citizens	The applicant's background and academic achievements, planned subject of the PhD thesis (whether it is a current subject), recommendation letters and language adequacy certificate are the main points taken into consideration during the evaluation procedure.
Overseas PhD Fellowship Programme	The applicant's background and academic achievements, planned subject of the PhD thesis (whether it is a current subject), recommendation letters and language adequacy certificate are the main points taken into consideration during the evaluation procedure.
Overseas Research Fellowship Programme	The applicant's background and academic achievements, planned subject of research, recommendation letters, language adequacy certificate and views of the host scientist/institution are the main points taken into consideration during the evaluation procedure

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

The programmes have no country specifications and supports both incoming foreign researchers and outgoing Turkish researchers.

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**Programme title:** "Partnerships in Priority S&T Areas"/ 2nd National Plan for Research, Development & Innovation (2007-2013).

**Web page:** [www.cnmp.ro](http://www.cnmp.ro)

**Contact Person:** Dr Serban Panaitescu

**Involved County (ies):** the programme finance only the national research projects  
Romania

**Programme type (bilateral/multilateral):** *national*

**Programme start, end:** the programme is opened for the period 2007- 2013

### Aim and scope of the programme (max. 500 characters)

Increasing R&D competitiveness by stimulating partnerships in the main S&T domains, concretized in innovative technologies, products and services in order to solve complex problems and to create implementation mechanisms;  
Increasing the Information and Communication Technology capacity in the RDI sector for in view of supporting the knowledge based society and economy;  
Increasing technological competence and promoting the transfer of knowledge and technologies in the field of energetic, in conditions of quality and safety, and respecting the sustainable development principle.

### Beneficiaries (max. 400 characters)

- RDI consortia
- RDI entities consortia, companies, local or central public administration units;
- Companies or local or central public administration units in partnerships with RDI entities.

### Thematic priorities

Informatics, Information Technology, Communication Technology  
Materials, Chemistry, Chemical Technologies  
Biology and Biotechnology  
Medicine  
Geosciences, Climate Research, Environmental Research and Technologies  
Energy, Energy Technologies  
Aeronautics, Space  
Economics, Social Sciences, Humanities  
Agriculture, food safety and security

### What is funded? (max. 300 characters)

Travel costs, Personnel costs, Consumables, Equipment, Conferences,/Exhibitions, Dissemination

### Application / Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)

In order to submit a project proposal the project coordinator will register first the proposal and then upload it on the dedicated web-portal and according to the Call calendar.  
After submitting the proposal, the coordinator will receive a confirmation of submission.  
Following steps: evaluation procedure and final results.  
The evaluation process consists in two fazes: - individual evaluation which will be made online by 3 experts' evaluators; - peer-review evaluation.



## **Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region**

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

Eligibility criteria (selection):

- a. To be in line with the national regulations according to state aid scheme.
- b. Only applicants validated in the Register of Potential Contractors (RPC) may apply.

Evaluation criteria:

- Relevance of the project
- Project description from the scientific and technologic point of view
- Expected impact
- Management of the project and consortium partners
- Financial and material resources
- To be inline with the Excellency for Research Programme

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

Through the “Partnerships in Priority S&T Areas”/ 2nd National Plan for Research, Development & Innovation, programme we can finance our participation to the multilateral Joint Calls following the “juste retour” principle.

### **Special remarks (max. 400 characters)**

No additional remarks are foreseen.

## Annex 1 Existing Programmes in the Black Sea region

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**Programme title:** International Industry R&D Projects Support Program

**Policy Maker :**

***The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)***

**Programme Owner:**

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)

Responsible Division: Technology and Innovation Funding Programs Directorate (TEYDEB)

**Programme Manager:**

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)

Responsible Division: Technology and Innovation Funding Programs Directorate (TEYDEB)

**Web page:** <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/home.do?ot=1&sid=999&pid=553>

**Programme type:** *national*

**Involved Countries:** No country specification.

### **Aim and scope of the programmes (max. 3 sentences )**

To facilitate market oriented industrial R&D collaboration between Turkish and European countries by funding international R&D projects between firms, universities and research institutions which are initiated under European networks such as EUREKA and FP7.

### **Funded Activities (max 300 characters)**

R&D projects of private firms are funded under this programme. For big scale firms the support ratio is between 50% and 60%, for SMEs the support ratio is 75% of the eligible R&D expenses.

### **Beneficiaries (max. 200 characters)**

Only private firms can apply to the programme.

### **Thematic priorities**

Thematically open - no particular priority

### **Funding (max. 300 characters)**

#### **Funding Mechanism**

R&D grants to private firms.

#### **Funds distribution mechanism**

Open call

### **Evaluation procedures (max. 400 characters)**

Following the application, the project is first evaluated by TUBITAK and then sent to external referees. Upon their report, the final decision is made by TUBITAK Technology Group Committee Meeting.

### **Selection criteria (max. 400 characters)**

The industrial R&D content of the project, its technological level and its innovational aspect

The project plan and the capabilities of the firm and the compatibility of the project's infrastructure

The applicability of the project outcomes into economical profits and national advantages

### **International cooperation options (max. 400 characters)**

The programme has been designed to support Turkish firms who intend to form multilateral cooperation and submit projects to international programmes (i.e. EUREKA)