

Turkey – Spain Call for EUREKA joint R&D&I projects

Deadline for submission: 30 September 2020.

Within the cooperation practices existing between Turkey and Spain in the fields of industrial and technological research and development in the framework of the EUREKA program, in which both countries are active members, participants from both countries are invited to submit joint project proposals. This call is managed in cooperation and in line with the procedures of EUREKA innovation platform (www.eurekanetwork.org)

Scope

TÜBİTAK from Turkey and CDTI, EPE from Spain are announcing this call for Proposals for joint R&D projects, focusing on developing innovative products and applications in all technological and market areas. Applicants are expected to develop ready to market solutions or projects which have strong market potential for Turkey and Spain.

This call invites projects **in ALL thematic areas or application domains**.

National Authorities

The Turkish National Authority is the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK), leading agency for management, funding and conduct of research in Turkey.

CDTI is the Spanish National Authority, responsible for fostering the technological development and innovation of Spanish companies.

Both TÜBİTAK and CDTI will provide all necessary assistance to project partners during project proposal preparation and submission, evaluation and monitoring phase. In addition, both parties will facilitate EUREKA application process and acquisition of the EUREKA label for accepted proposals.

These organizations will also provide access to public funding for the joint projects. The support will be given to each partner by its own Authorities in accordance with the national laws, rules, regulations and procedures in effect, on a non-exchange of funds basis, and subject to budgetary availability in each country.

Call criteria

Eligible partners are invited to present joint proposals for industrial R&D projects according to the following criteria:

- The partners should include at least one Turkish and one Spanish company. Participation of research institutes/universities and other organizations is welcome as self-funded participants or subcontractors according to each country's funding regulations.
- Organizations from other countries may also participate, but they will not be funded by CDTI or by TÜBİTAK.
- The Turkish and Spanish partners must express their will to cooperate to the development of a new product, industrial process or service. The product, process or service must be innovative and there must be a technological risk involved.
- The project should have an obvious advantage and added value resulting from the technological cooperation between the participants from the countries (e.g. increased knowledge base, commercial leads, access to R&D infrastructure etc.).
- The project should demonstrate the contribution of all participants and the project must be significant to them.
- The participants are required, prior to obtain the EUREKA label, to have signed a draft consortium agreement.

Any partner whose cooperative R&D project is consistent with the aforesaid criteria can apply to the present announcement in accordance with the national laws, rules, regulations and procedures in effect.

Submission and approval procedures at international level

Participants are invited to contact the officers from the National Authorities (see contact details at the end of the text) before submitting the documents.

Partners will have to submit their applications on Eureka platform (<https://eureka.smartsimple.ie>) as well as on each National Authority's website according to the procedures of each one:

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- **In Turkey**, the participants will have to submit a formal national application through TÜBİTAK TEYDEB's website (<https://teydeb.tubitak.gov.tr/>) including the signed version of EUREKA Application Form.
- **In Spain**, the participants will have to submit a formal R&D international project aid application through CDTI's website (<https://sede.cdti.gob.es/>). Additional documents in Spanish language, containing detailed information on the Spanish participants, could be requested depending on the specific type of funding requested by the company.

Timetable

1. Call launch: 11 – May -2020
2. Deadline for submission of international applications: 30 – September -2020
3. Eligibility feedback to applicants: 20 – October -2020
4. EUREKA label (estimated): February -2021

Funding conditions and procedures at national level

The funding support will be given to each eligible partner by its own National Authority. Funding conditions and eligibility criteria may vary from country to country. The information regarding funding for each country is explained below:

Turkey:

All companies which were established in accordance with Turkish law can apply for funding for their international projects. There is no budget limit for international projects and they can be funded by TUBITAK without any restriction in project duration. Only companies participating in international projects are funded within this program but universities and research centers can be funded as subcontractors. Turkish applicants must complete their national application in three weeks after the eligibility feedback.

Companies receive certain percentage of their eligible costs as a grant in this call. There is no maximum or minimum limit to the budget of project. The percentage is 60% for large companies and 75% for SMEs.

For further information about financing of Turkish participants please directly contact with TÜBİTAK. Detailed information can also be reached from [here](#).

Spain:

CDTI will finance industrial research and/or technological development activities of Spanish companies. Application must be submitted within 20 working days after receiving the communication of eligibility. Universities and research centers could take part as subcontractors.

Funding conditions for Spanish partners may vary depending on the nature of the project and the beneficiaries. For more information, please access:

<http://www.cdti.es/index.asp?MP=100&MS=802&MN=1>

It is mandatory that project activities do not start before submitting the funding applications to CDTI. For further information, please contact CDTI.



According to EUREKA's practices, applicants may choose to request a label without public financing (e.g. self-funding is also applicable).

Monitoring and impact

Applicants will be requested to provide information during the lifetime of the project at international level to make sure the project has been developed as expected. Additionally, they will have to provide information regarding the impact of the project once it has been finished.

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