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**DECISION DOCUMENT**  
**of the Call for proposals for the funding period 2020–2023**

Based on the Agreement on Co-operation in Science and Technology between the Government of the Republic of Slovenia and the Government of the Republic of Turkey, signed in Ljubljana on April 19, 2001, and on the call for proposals for joint research projects, announced by the Slovenian Research Agency (ARRS) and the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) respectively in 2019, the two sides agreed as follows:

ARRS received 48 proposals and TÜBİTAK received 47 proposals for joint research projects. However, due to one proposal could not complete e-signature procedure, TÜBİTAK could not include this project proposal to evaluation process.

Both sides have reviewed 46 matching project proposals submitted to the joint call. They have come to the agreement to co-finance **5 (five)** project proposals, one of which was submitted by an early career researcher. The approved projects and amounts of funding are listed in Annex I.

The approved projects will be funded starting from July 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 until June 30<sup>th</sup> 2023.

For the next call for proposals both sides agreed to publish it in October 2020 with the deadline for submission of applications on 17 December 2020. The selection of projects will be made not later than May 2021.

In order to encourage international networks between promising young researchers, the sides agreed that in the next call for proposals they would give priority to joint project proposals submitted by early career researchers who completed their PhD within less than five years. The sides also agreed that priority would be given to project proposals submitted by project leaders that had not received funding in the last three joint calls for proposals, namely for the periods 2018–2021, 2019–2022 and 2020–2023.

Done in Ljubljana and in Ankara in two original copies in English language.

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## ANNEX I

| Nr | Slovenian Partner  | Turkish Partner  | Project Title   | Funding TUBITAK (TL) | Funding ARRS (EUR) |
|----|--|--|---|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1  | Matthew John Schwarzkopf<br>InnoRenew CoE<br>Centre of Excellence              | Ali Temiz<br>Karadeniz Teknik Üniversitesi   | Enhanced Wood Properties of Low-Grade Timber Through Densification Coupled with Natural, Plant-Based Polymers                       | 97.640               | 6.800              |
| 2  | Marjana Novič<br>National Institute of Chemistry                               | Melek Türker Saçan<br>Bogazici University,<br>Institute of Environmental Sciences          | A Computational Assessment of Potential Environmental Effects for Nano-sized Molecules of Fullerene Derivatives                     | 100.000              | 10.300             |
| 3  | Andreja Benčan Golob<br>Jožef Stefan Institute                                 | Cleva Owyang-Gülgün<br>Sabanci University  | Realizing in-situ studies of dynamic mechanisms in ceramic oxides in the reducing environment in a transmission electron microscope | 69.503               | 10.300             |
| 4  | Irena Vovk<br>National Institute of Chemistry                                  | Etil Güzelmeriç<br>Yeditepe University   | Chemical characterization and activity profile of bee pollen extracts from Turkey and Slovenia                                      | 90.000               | 10.300             |
| 5  | Vitomir Štruc<br>University of Ljubljana,<br>Faculty of Electrical Engineering | Hazim Kemal Ekenel<br>Department of Computer Engineering,<br>Istanbul Technical University | Face recognition from low-quality images (FacelQ)   | 100.000              | 10.300             |

