



# Call for Proposals

Arba Minch University, Renewable Energy Technology Research Center is pleased to Announce Call for Proposal on the Following Research Areas for (2022/23) 2015 E .C

Thematic area: Renewable Energy Resource Assessment, Technology Development and Adaptation

RESEARCH AREAS	Description
SOLAR ENERGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solar PV system (Photovoltaics Applications)</li> <li>• Solar-thermal power systems</li> <li>• Solar energy systems integration</li> <li>• Energy Storage Technologies</li> <li>• Efficient Solar System Components</li> <li>• Solar manufacturing and competitiveness</li> <li>• Control and monitoring of Solar PV systems</li> <li>• Economic Analysis of solar Energy</li> </ul>
WIND ENERGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wind Energy Applications</li> <li>• Wind conditions (Aerodynamics of Wind Energy)</li> <li>• Wind turbine Technology</li> <li>• Wind energy integration</li> <li>• Economic Analysis of wind energy</li> </ul>
BIO-ENERGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biomass Energy Conversions;</li> <li>• Bio-products and Bio-power technologies</li> <li>• Waste to energy technology</li> <li>• Biogas Technologies               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Improved cooking stove design and development</li> <li>◦ Design and development of briquetting machine</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Bio-fuel Technologies</li> <li>• Economic Analysis of Bio-energy</li> </ul>
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**Grant Type:**

**Small Scale Research**

- ⇒ The nature of the proposal shall be demand driven, contribute to the implementation of the national development strategy, and be able to produce a publishable and applicable finding.
- ⇒ A PhD student attending study in AMU is encouraged to compute for this scheme with one or two of the objectives of the approved dissertation.
- ⇒ Multidisciplinary nature is more appreciated
- ⇒ Maximum allowable budget is **175,000** (One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand) ETB per proposal

**Small Grants for Young Researchers**

- ⇒ Maximum budget granted for Graduate Assistant and Assistant Lecturer is **50,000** (Fifty Thousand) ETB
- ⇒ For Self-Sponsored MSc Student Maximum budget is **25,000** (Twenty-Five Thousand) ETB per approved thesis proposal

**Important Information:**

- ⇒ **Format:** Submitted proposal must be based on AMU Research Guideline Annex 1.
- ⇒ **Submission Deadline:** September 20, 2022
- ⇒ **Proposal Defense:** October 03, 2022
- ⇒ Submit your proposal both in hard & soft copy (word file only) via [sodessa.soma@amu.edu.et](mailto:sodessa.soma@amu.edu.et) or [retrc@amu.edu.et](mailto:retrc@amu.edu.et)



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**Grant Type:**

**Comprehensive Grand Research Project**

- ⇒ Should cover from baseline study to intervention;
- ⇒ Shall be multidisciplinary involving different professionals from different disciplines in the University and external stakeholders;
- ⇒ Minimum of five researchers (of which two are senior), minimum one PhD and one or two Master student;
- ⇒ Max. Budget is **1,750,000 ETB** with max. duration of five years;

**Multidisciplinary Grants Research project**

- ⇒ Should include at least three sub themes and at least two researchers in each sub themes;
- ⇒ Minimum of *six* researchers (of which two are senior), minimum one PhD and one or two Master student;
- ⇒ Max. Budget **1,000,000 ETB** with max. duration of *three* year;

**Special Female Research Project**

- ⇒ Eligible to only two or more female staff with Master or above degree, female PhD student at AMU
- ⇒ Max. Budget **185,000 ETB** with max. duration of one year

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