

## GLOSSARY

**Acceptance Document (terms of acceptance)** - once the notification of the funding decision has been sent to the Proponent Institution and to the project coordinator, the Acceptance Document must be signed by someone legally authorized to bind the Proponent Institution, as well as by the Coordinator and returned to the FCT within 30 working days. If the duly signed acceptance agreement is not returned to the FCT by the deadline above referred for reasons imputable to the Proponent Institution, the decision to award the funding shall expire. FCT may request the original document at a later date.

**Declaration of Commitment** - in accordance with the template provided for that purpose, the Declaration of Commitment must be submitted to FCT as an annex to the proposal or, in case of impossibility, no later than 10 working days after the call is closed. The Declaration of Commitment must be signed and initialed by someone who is legally authorized to bind the Proponent Institution as well as by the Coordinator and must include the seal or stamp of the corresponding institution.

**Existing Initiatives and Ongoing Collaborations** - is defined, for this call, as projects with at least 2 (two) year of relevant collaboration between the institutions involved during the last 3 (three) years and with proved funding.

**Joint Implementation Committee of the Protocol (JIC)** – the JIC consists of representatives of the Joint Call Partner Organization's (JCP) - the FCT and the AKDN. The JIC members will decide on the composition of the Joint Research Assessment Committee for Collaborative Research (JRAC), responsible for evaluating the proposals submitted in response to this joint call. Based on the final ranking list established by the JRAC, the JIC members will recommend the final list of proposals to be funded.

**Joint Research Assessment Committee for Collaborative Research (JRAC)** – the composition of the JRAC is decided by the JIC. The members of the JRAC will evaluate the proposals submitted in response to this joint call. The JRAC members are internationally recognized scientists chosen for their expertise in the priority areas defined in the Protocol of Co-operation between the MCTES and the Ismaili Imamat. The JRAC composition will be made public. The reviewers will not represent the JCP. They shall compose their written pre-evaluations and, based on the discussion of the proposals during the JRAC meeting, propose the final ranking list. Projects to be funded will be decided by the JCP based on the ranking given by the JRAC.

**Participating Institutions** – all the institutions involved in the project. The foreign institutions which do not have a NIPC (Identity Number that uniquely identifies the institution relative to Social Security and Finances), may apply as Participant institutions even though with a zero requested budget.

**Principal Investigator (Project Coordinator)** – each project must have a Coordinator. He/she will be co-responsible for the proposal and management of the project and for the fulfillment of the proposed objectives and the compliance with the regulations governing the funding award. Only one Coordinator per application is allowed.

**Proponent Institution (PI)** – It is the Portuguese entity that submits the proposal and leads the project. In addition to coordinating the project, the PI is responsible for communicating with the FCT on behalf of all the partners. The PI is the institution that may receive the approved funding if the project is approved, responsible to transfer the corresponding amounts to partner institutions. The PI must have a NIPC (Identity Number that uniquely identifies the institution relative to Social Security and Finances), and their denomination when applying must perfectly match the one associated to that NIPC.

**Protocol of Collaboration** – It must be submitted as an Annex of the Acceptance document, and must be signed by the all the participating institutions (including the PI). In the Protocol of Collaboration, the following aspects must be mentioned: explanation of the cooperation scope of the entities involved; identification of the beneficiary entities and the responsible researcher; joint responsibility of partners; specific responsibilities of each partner in terms of linking to the work plan tasks, if applicable, issues related to confidentiality, intellectual or industrial property and the end ownership of goods and products acquired and developed during the project's execution.