

## Call for New Mega Project Proposals (for 2014 E.C)

BiT Research Director Office would like to grant research fund for original mega project proposals having a special relevance to the development of the country. In its essence, the research proposal shall address an existing problem, contribute to the implementation of the national development strategy of the country and be able to produce a publishable and applicable findings.

### Eligibility:

- Full time staff members of BiT except MSc students
- Expatriate staffs who have renewed contract of at least 6 months more from the end of the research project
- Researchers who successfully finished and submitted all previous BiT and BDU funded research projects
- Researchers who achieved either of the following results from the previous BiT funded research projects:
  - Published an article (or show unconditional acceptance) on a peer reviewed journal/conference proceeding (the published article need to be submitted) or
  - Technology transfer to the society (proof is needed from the appropriate office) or
  - Have patent for the research finding (proof is needed from the appropriate office)
- All researchers (PI, Co-PI, and members) must satisfy the above eligibility criteria

### Requirements:

- The proposal shall involve at least three researchers (PI, Co-PI, and members)
- The researchers shall have a reputable publication record in indexed and peer reviewed journals
- Research proposals must be within the thematic areas identified by BiT use <https://bit.bdu.edu.et/srgs/content/research-area> for more information
- The written proposal must be according to the BiT template
- Projects that are submitted in any research centers in BiT will be automatically rejected (Dual submission is not acceptable)
- Priorities will be given for projects with PhD students, teams of female researchers and multidisciplinary projects
- The proposals that do not follow the BiT template and/or not signed by the researchers and/or the chair holder will be automatically rejected.

### Note:

The proposal shall be submitted to the School of Research and Graduate Studies in one hard copy and soft copy (word file) via [repubbit@gmail.com](mailto:repubbit@gmail.com)

Proposals that satisfy the eligibility and requirement criteria will be reviewed by internal and external reviewers. The review process will be double-blinded.

**Submission Deadline: 15/12/2013 E.C.**