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**Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR)
2024 NSF EPSCoR PI Meeting Agenda**

Leveraging EPSCoR Investments for Increasing Impact

**National Science Foundation
Rooms 2010, 2020, 2030 and Virtually via Zoom**

Monday, May 20, 2024

- 8:30 – 9:00am** **Light Refreshments**
- 9:00 – 9:20am** **Greetings and Introduction**
Sandra Richardson, Research Capacity and Competitiveness, Section Head
- 9:20 – 9:30am** **Welcome Remarks**
Alicia Knoedler, Office of Integrative Activities, Head
- 9:30 – 10:30am** **Keynote Address**
Hollie Mackey, Interim Chief Strategy Officer for the North Dakota Advanced Agriculture Technology Engine and Associate Professor of Educational and Organizational Leadership, North Dakota State University
- 10:30 – 11:00am** **EPSCoR Programmatic Updates**
Sandra Richardson, Research Capacity and Competitiveness, Section Head
- 11:00am – 12:00pm** **Pathway to Success for Inaugural Cohort of E-CORE RII Awardees**
J.D. Swanson, EPSCoR Program Director, OD/OIA
Chi-Chi Nnakwe Whitley, EPSCoR Program Director, OD/OIA
- 12:00 – 1:00pm** **Lunch**
- 1:00 – 1:30pm** **NSF Office of Legislative & Public Affairs (OLPA) Update**
Amanda Greenwell, OLPA Head
- 1:30 – 2:30pm** **Directorate Open House**
Cafeteria: BIO, CISE, EDU, ENG
Portrait Gallery: BFA, OIA, OISE
Room W2160: GEO, MPS
Room W2190, SBE, TIP



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- 2:30 – 3:00pm** **NSF Policy Update**
Jean Feldman, Head, Policy Office, Division of Institution & Award Support
- 3:00 – 4:00pm** **Leveraging EPSCoR Investments**
RII Track-1: Gary Zank, Distinguished Professor & Space Science Chair,
University of Alabama
RII Focused EPSCoR Collaborations: Vaishali Sharda, Assistant Professor,
Kansas State University
RII Track-3: John Monahan, Consulting Specialist,
University of Alaska-Fairbanks
RII EPSCoR Research Fellows: Zhe Qiang, Assistant Professor,
University of Southern Mississippi
- 4:00 – 5:00pm** **Optional Meetings**
Project Directors' Council: Room 2010 (Plenary)
Project Administrators' Council: Room W2210
Education, Outreach, & Diversity Staff: Room W2220
RII Bridging EPSCoR Communities: Room W2160
RII Focused EPSCoR Collaborations, FY23 Awardees: Room W2190
RII EPSCoR Research Fellows: Room E3430

Optional Meetings with EPSCoR Program Directors
Advanced sign-up required, sign-up sheet located at registration table



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- 8:00 – 8:45am** **Light Refreshments**
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- 8:45 – 9:00am** **Greetings and Introduction**
Sandra Richardson, Research Capacity and Competitiveness, Section Head
- 9:00 – 9:30am** **CHIPS & Science and Agency Priority Goal Updates**
Sandra Richardson, Research Capacity and Competitiveness, Section Head
Alicia Knoedler, Office of Integrative Activities, Head
Sylvia Butterfield, Deputy Assistant Director, Directorate for STEM Education
- 9:30 – 10:00am** **NSF Budget Update**
Beth Blue, Branch Chief, Office of Budget, Finance, and Award Management, Budget Division
- 10:00 – 10:30am** **Division of Grants & Agreements and Division of Institution & Award Support Update**
Cartia Brown-Morgan, Grants Management Specialist, Office of Budget, Finance, and Award Management, DGA
Liz DeHart, Grant & Contract Cost Analyst, Office of Budget, Finance, and Award Management, DIAS
- 10:30 – 11:30am** **Breakouts: Leveraging NSF Investments for EPSCoR Jurisdictions**
- **Leveraging GRANTED for Expanded Capacity Building: Plenary Room**
Dina Stroud, Program Director, GRANTED
 - **Engaging with NSF Regional Innovation Engines for Impact in EPSCoR Jurisdictions: Room 2210**
Dmitri Perkins, Program Director, TIP/ITE
 - **Mid-scale Research Infrastructure, R1 vs. R2: Room 2220**
Randy Phelps, Program Director, Office of Integrative Activities



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- **Mid-scale Research Infrastructure, Management, Requirements, and Strategies: Room 2220**
Randy Phelps, Program Director, Office of Integrative Activities
Denise Pfeifer, Project Manager & Research Administrator,
Boise State University

3:30 – 3:45pm Closing Remarks
Karen Marrongelle, NSF Chief Operating Officer

3:45 – 4:00pm National Conference Update and Farewell
Matt Andrews, Director, Nebraska EPSCoR
Sandra Richardson, Research Capacity and Competitiveness, Section Head