

# NATIONAL AI RESEARCH RESOURCE TASK FORCE: KICK OFF MEETING

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*Date: July 28, 2021*

*Location: Zoom*

## **Objectives:**

1. Baseline understanding of Task Force mandate and goals as well as Federal Advisory Committee rules
2. Discuss current state of federal use of commercial cloud resources to support AI R&D
3. Shape and gain consensus on a Task Force work plan
4. Identify key briefings and consultations for subsequent meeting

## **Agenda**

- 1:30-1:35 Meeting opening**  
Speaker: Erwin Gianchandani, *NAIRR TF Co-Chair*
- 1:35-2:00 NAIRR TF Overview**  
Speaker: Lynne Parker *NAIRR TF Co-Chair*
- a. Mandate, goals, timeline for Task Force
  - b. RFI for public comment
- 2:00-2:30 Discussion: Desired Characteristics for the NAIRR and Key Challenges**  
Moderator: Erwin Gianchandani
- a. Open discussion on the key characteristics that the NAIRR should have and the expected challenges that executing the vision might face.
- 2:30-3:00 Presentation: Lessons Learned from Federal Cloud Pilots Supporting AI R&D**  
Speaker: Erwin Gianchandani
- a. Best practices and key challenges
- 3:00-3:15 Break**
- 3:15-4:00 Presentation: Cloud Pilot Case Study – STRIDES**  
Speaker: Andrea Norris & Nick Weber, *National Institutes of Health*
- a. Overview of program
  - b. How has it worked, and how it could be built on
- 4:00-4:45 Discussion: Task Force Proposed Workplan**  
Speaker/moderator: Lynne Parker
- a. Interim vs. final report
  - b. Phases of work and planned meeting schedule
  - c. Role of working groups
- 4:45-5:00 Discussion: Questions from Meeting Attendees**  
Moderator: Erwin Gianchandani
- 5:00 Meeting close**