

# NIST Update

## Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology

**Walter G. Copan**

Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology  
and NIST Director

# Meeting Agenda

**June 9, 2020**

**Session I: NIST Update**

Session II: NIST Efforts in Response to COVID-19

Session III: NIST and COVID-19 Safety and Operations

Session IV: Discussion with VCAT

- Agenda Review
- NIST Leadership Changes
- Budget Update
- Programmatic Updates
- ROI Initiative Update
- Strategic Plan Update
- Discussion

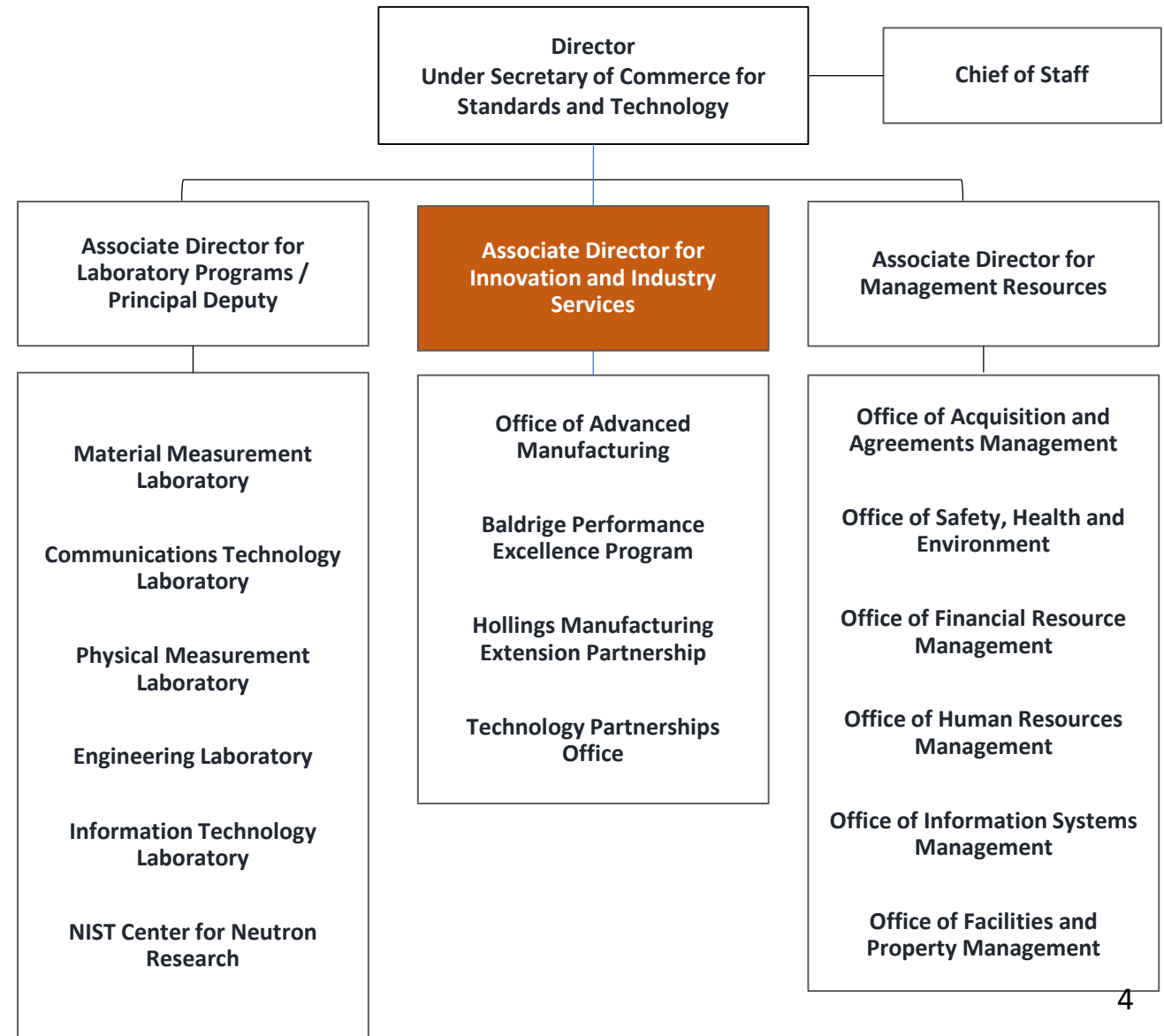
# NIST Leadership Changes: Welcome



## Associate Director for Innovation and Industry Services

### Mojdeh Bahar

- Joins NIST from Department of Agriculture, Assistant Administrator for Technology Transfer.
- Leader in IP, marketing, licensing, public-private partnerships.
- Served in leadership roles in the Federal Laboratory Consortium for Technology Transfer (FLC)



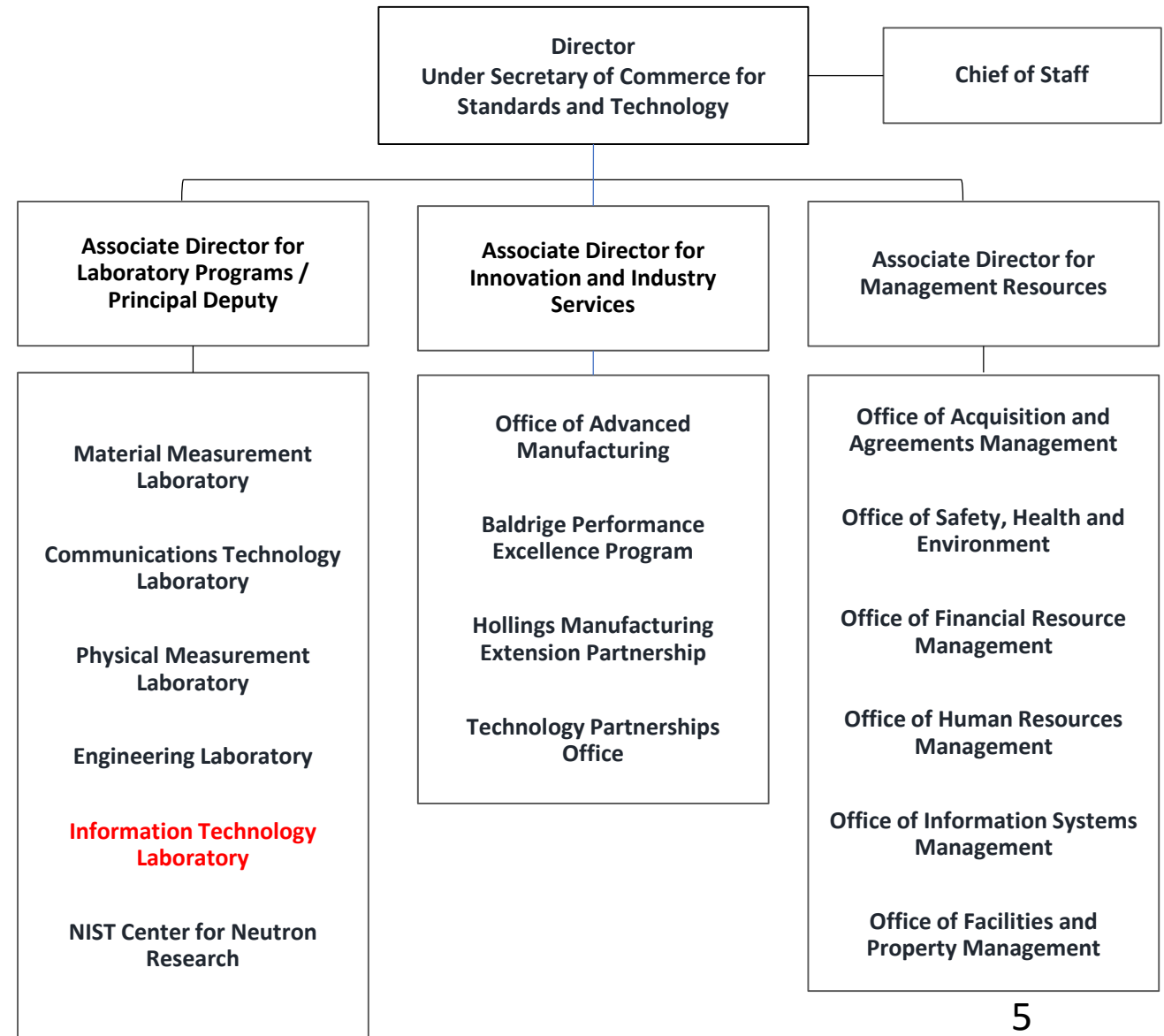


# NIST Leadership Changes: Retirement

Chief Cybersecurity Advisor,  
Director of NCCoE,  
NIST Fellow

## Donna F. Dodson

- Retired May 2020 after 33 years of federal service
- Leadership in many cyber areas, including AI, IoT, quantum-resistant cryptography, and privacy engineering
- Presidential Rank Award in 2019, finalist for the 2020 Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medal: Safety, Security and International Affairs category

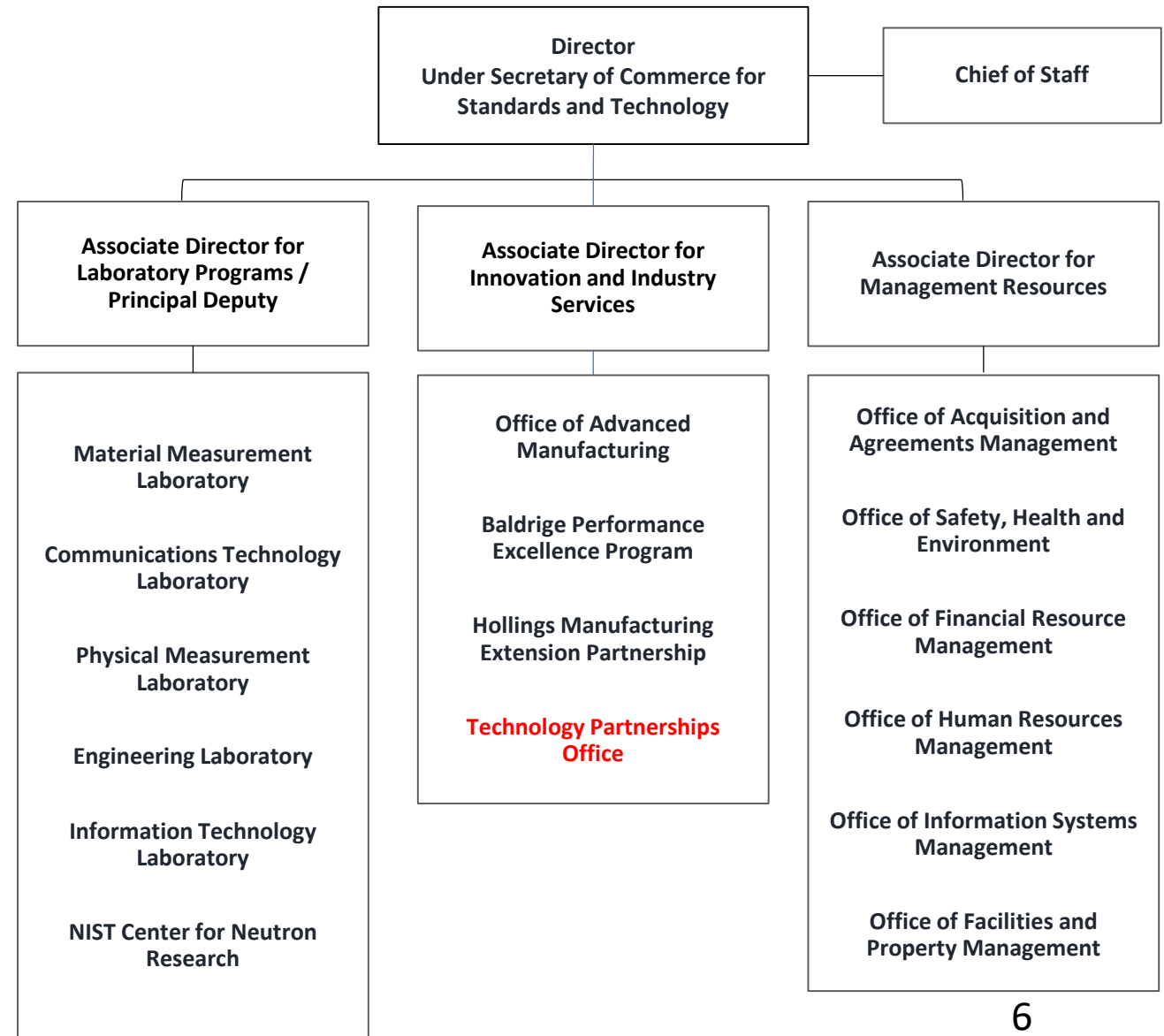


# NIST Leadership Changes: Retirement

## Director, Technology Partnerships Office

### Paul Zielinski

- Retired March 2020 after 32 years of federal service
- National leadership roles in technology transfer, Federal Interagency
- Newly appointed as executive director, Federal Laboratory Consortium for Technology Transfer (FLC) now operated in partnership with AUTM

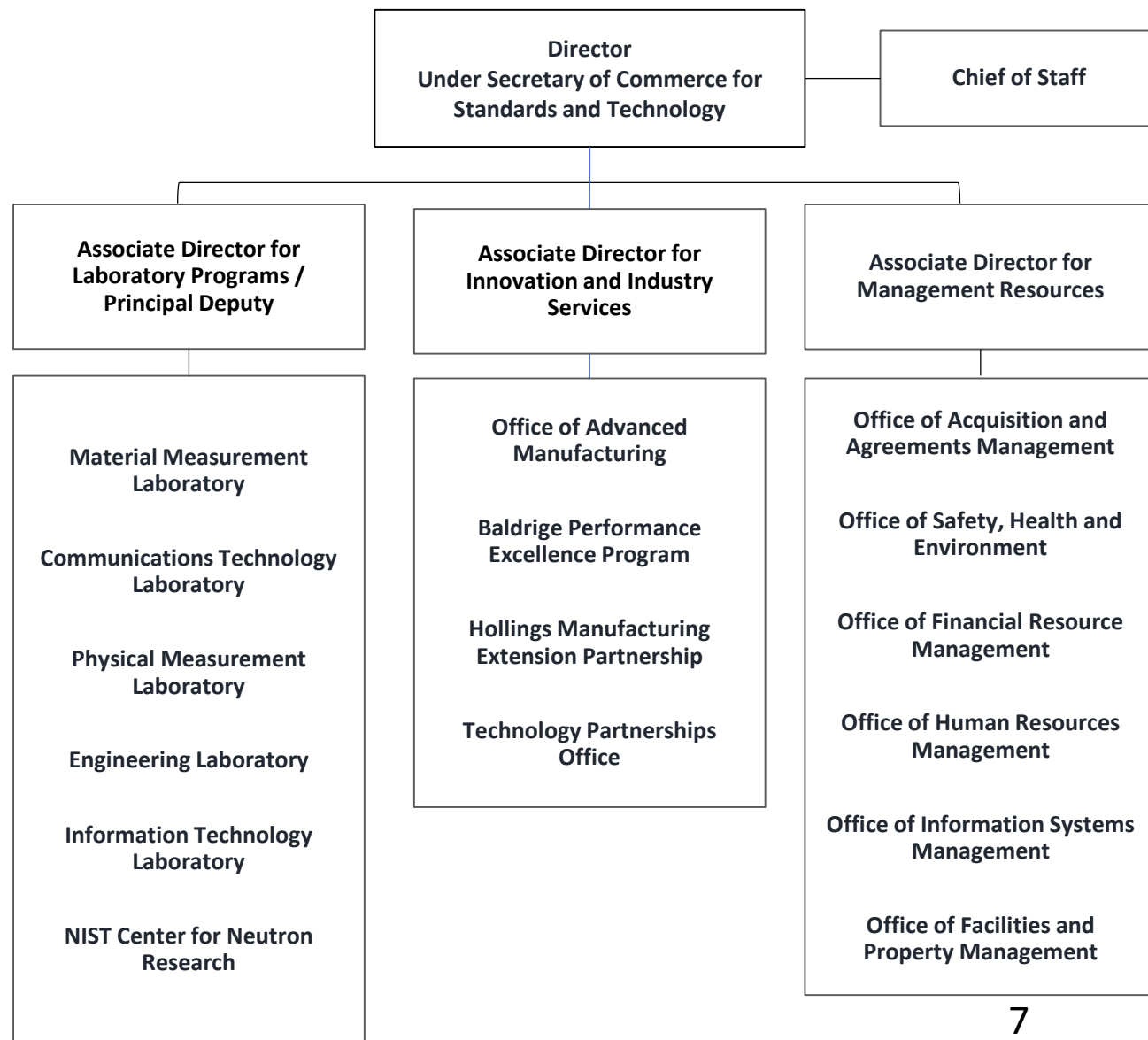


# NIST Leadership Changes

## Senior Policy Advisor for Standards and Digitalization

### Ajit Jillavenkatesa

- Left NIST May 31, 2020 for position in industry
- Key policy advisor for NIST Standards Coordination Office (SCO) and Program Coordination Office (PCO)
- Leadership in many standards areas critical to NIST, such as 5G, IoT, etc.
- Shaped and informed USG's standards positions and policies domestically and in multilateral organizations



# NIST Leadership Changes: Welcomes



**Kevin Stine**

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Acting Chief Cybersecurity  
Advisor



**Jeff Greene**

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National Cybersecurity  
Center of Excellence Director



# NIST Leadership Changes: Welcomes



## **Courtney Silverthorn**

Acting Director, Technology  
Partnerships Office



## **Rob Ivester**

Deputy Director, Hollings  
Manufacturing Extension  
Partnership (MEP)





# NIST Organization Realignment 2020



NIST is operating under, planning for, and developing budgets for three fiscal years

**FY20**

Enacted, Spend Plans Approved

**FY21**

In Development, Delayed by COVID-19

**FY22**

Early Stages

# NIST Budget



	FY 2019 Enacted	FY 2020 Enacted	FY 2021 Pres. Request
<b>Laboratory Programs (STRS)</b>	\$724.5	\$754.0	\$652.0
<b>Hollings Mfg Ext Partnership (MEP)</b>	\$140.0	\$146.0	\$0.0
<b>Manufacturing USA</b>	\$15.0	\$16.0	\$25.3
<b>Construction &amp; Renovation</b>	\$106.0	\$118.0	\$60.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$985.5</b>	<b>\$1034.0</b>	<b>\$737.5</b>

# NIST Reauthorization Testimony Themes



Lab to Market (L2M), ROI & building a more entrepreneurial workforce

Industries of the Future and essential international standards

Adoption of smart manufacturing systems by U.S. manufacturers (MEP and Manufacturing USA)

NIST's work to accelerate the Bioeconomy

China and U.S. 5G technology competitiveness

Smart cities implementation and interoperability

Future of Neutron Science at NIST



*March 11, 2020*

**Highlighted NIST's plans and accomplishments in critical U.S. technology areas to the Subcommittee on Research & Technology**



NIST role in plumbing research and U.S. water quality

NASCTN to help address key 5G questions regarding 24 GHz band

AI and facial recognition

Impacts and risks of ailing infrastructure on NIST capabilities

Secure and private digital identity nationally and internationally (ex. currency)

New advanced manufacturing institutes

U.S. supply chain resilience, the importance of entrepreneurs and manufacturers



# NIST Privacy Framework Update



## Early Adopters of the Privacy Framework



## A Conversation on the NIST Privacy Framework

Wednesday, February 19, 2020 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
CSIS Headquarters, 2nd Floor

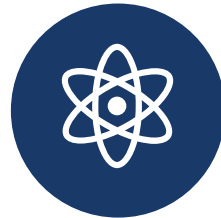
**CSIS** | CENTER FOR STRATEGIC & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Join us at CSIS to hear **Dr. Walter Copan, Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology and NIST Director**, discuss the [NIST Privacy Framework](#).





Credit: E. Edwards/JQI



**Post Quantum Cryptography**  
Moving to Round Three  
Selections in June 2020.



**Lightweight Encryption**  
Down-selected from 57 to 32  
potential candidate algorithms.  
Analysis ongoing.



SP 800-171 Rev 2  
Protecting Controlled Unclassified  
Information in Nonfederal Systems



SP 800-207,  
Zero Trust Architectures  
Draft for public comment



Secure Software Development  
Framework



SP 800-53 Rev 5  
Draft for public comment



CSF Manufacturing Profile  
(NISTIR 8183 Rev 1 draft)



5G cybersecurity  
FRN seeking formal industry  
collaborators.

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

## Executive Order on Strengthening National Resilience through Responsible Use of Positioning, Navigation, and Timing Services

INFRASTRUCTURE & TECHNOLOGY | Issued on: February 12, 2020



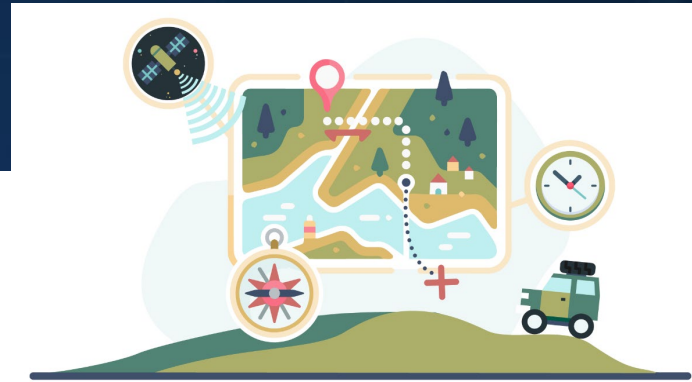
Request for Information posted in Federal Register May 27, 2020  
NIST accepting responses through July 13, 2020

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/executive-order-strengthening-national-resilience-responsible-use-positioning-navigation-timing-services/>

The Executive Order directs the Department of Commerce and other agencies to work with the private sector to identify and promote responsible methods of using PNT services that appropriately manage risks.

The Department of Commerce is also charged with making a global navigation satellite system (GNSS)-independent source of Coordinated Universal Time to enhance the resilience of and support the needs of critical infrastructure

# PNT: Profile Approach



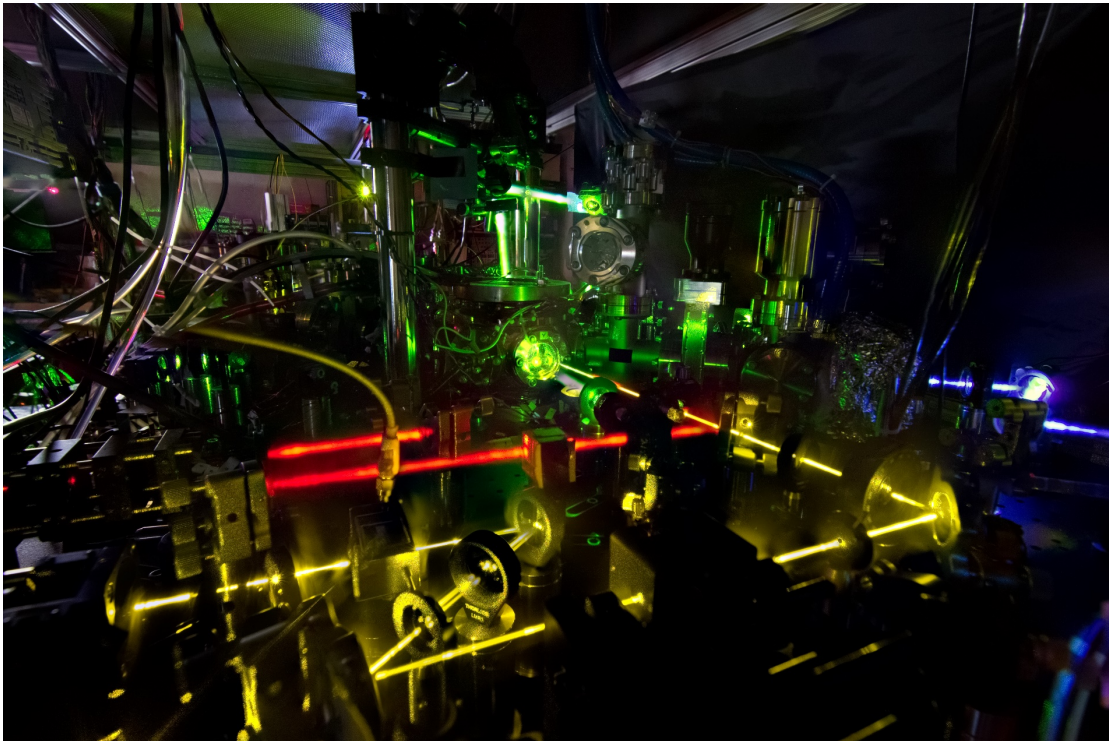
- Open, collaborative process
- Involve public & private sector stakeholders
- NIST will develop a foundational PNT profile to help organizations make deliberate, risk-informed decisions on PNT services use



Request for Information released May 27, 2020.



NIST hosts public webinar on June 4 to share our tasks, objectives, and approach.



*NIST ytterbium lattice clock*



**Time distribution over optical fiber** – Initial goal : 1  $\mu$ s accuracy with eventual improvement to < 100 ns.

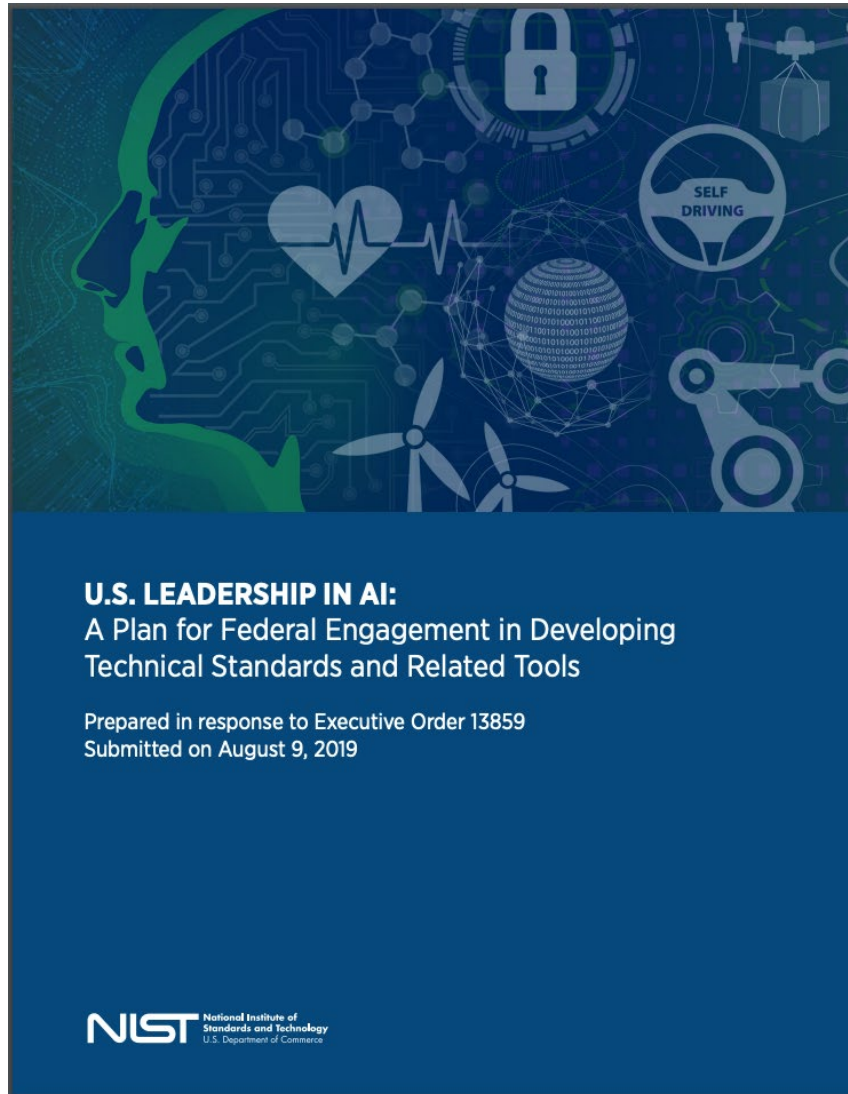
- A fiber installation in progress from Gaithersburg to a customer facility in VA.



**Optical Clock Development** – NIST continues development of transportable optical clocks based on ytterbium atoms and is starting a new program for a optical clock based on a single strontium ion.



# AI Standards Coordination



Outreach **connecting** all known Federal efforts related to AI standards development & use. **Goal:** Participants leverage learnings from successes of other participants.



Facilitate ongoing discussions between U.S. private sector and Federal agencies. Strengthen private-public sector coordination

# AI: Future Events

- Develop shared understanding of what constitutes **Trustworthy AI** (e.g., accuracy, security, explainability, reliability, free from bias).
- Establish the needed scientific foundation for design, development, and assessment of **Trustworthy AI**.



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**Bias in AI:** Workshop on August 19, 2020.



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**Secure AI:** Terminology and Taxonomy; 2<sup>nd</sup> draft for public comment in July.



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**Use-Inspired AI:** Call for proposals closes June 29, 2020.

# Quantum: Interagency Coordination



Multi-agency Quantum Networking Coordination Meeting held on May 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> to discuss long-term goals

## Participants:



## 5 year plan:

- Gain technical knowledge needed to build useful quantum networks
- Fundamental research to explore use-cases
- Basic R&D for manufacturing key components not available yet



## Opportunity Areas:

- Engineering approaches to bring R&D to market-ready technology
- Application studies
- Testbeds for technical benchmarking
- Unified strategy across agencies & for international standards engagement



## Roadmap Status:

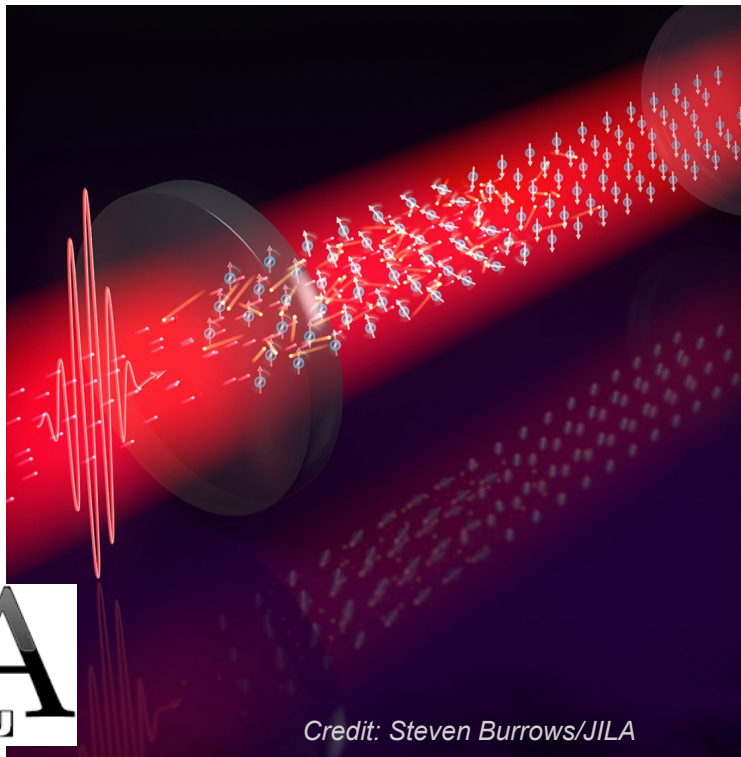
- Too early to develop this, but gap analysis and bottleneck identification will help shape future roadmap
- Will be developed with community input across sectors and go from R&D up to commercialization

nature

Article | Published: 29 April 2020

## Exploring dynamical phase transitions with cold atoms in an optical cavity

Juan A. Muniz, Diego Barberena, Robert J. Lewis-Swan, Dylan J. Young, Julia R. K. Cline, Ana Maria Rey & James K. Thompson



Credit: Steven Burrows/JILA



JILA researchers developed a controllable, non-equilibrium system with tunable parameters that could lead to a new understanding of fundamental physics



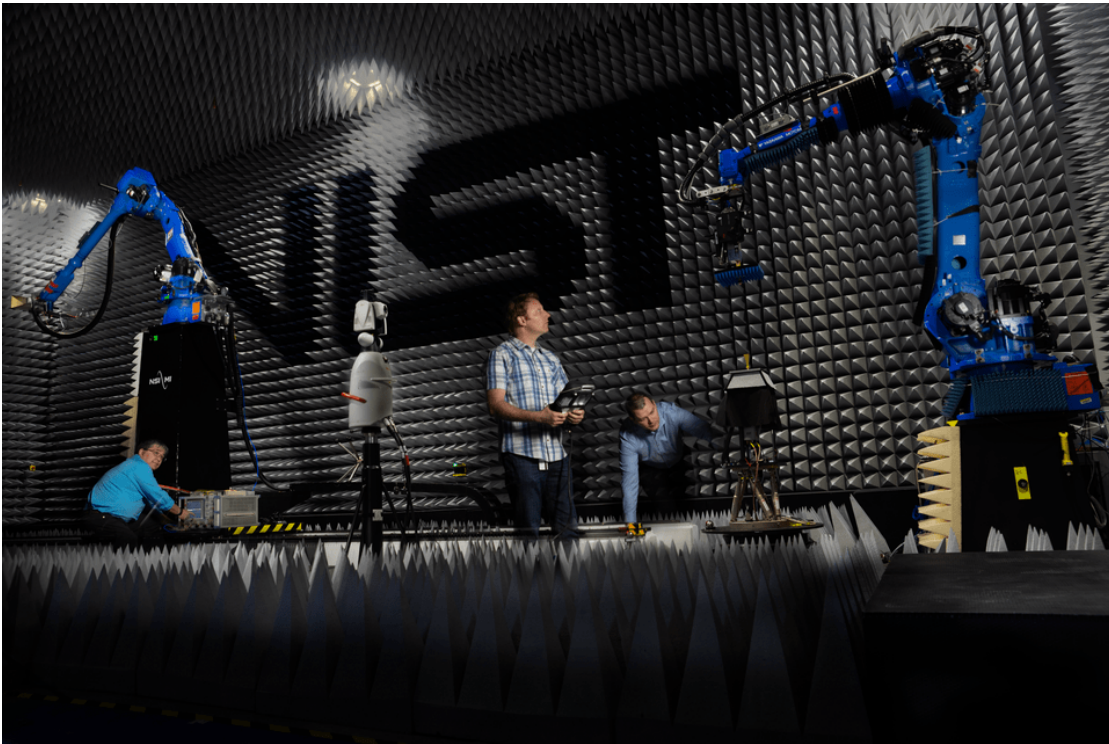
The phase diagram observed (all possible phase changes) were different than those seen in equilibrium systems – out of equilibrium systems organize with different principles



Could lead to better insight on how to generate entangled quantum states in state-of-the-art quantum clocks



# Standards: 5G Spectrum Sharing Testbed



## NIST ML Formula May Help 5G Wireless Networks Efficiently Share Communications Frequencies

<https://www.nist.gov/news-events/news/2020/05/nist-formula-may-help-5g-wireless-networks-efficiently-share-communications>



An adaptable network that can measure how well 5G and older systems operate without interfering with each other



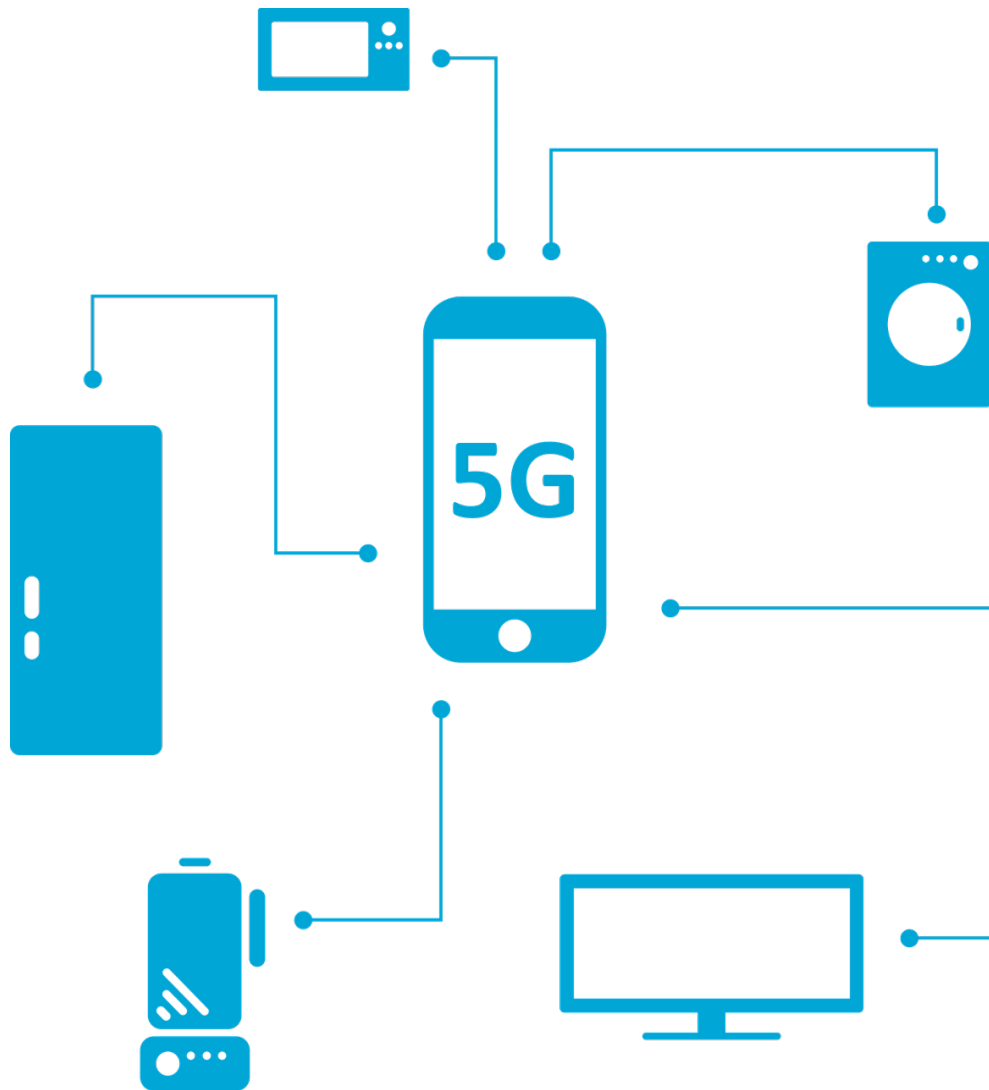
Will help clarify how thousands of possible network settings / environments impact interference on the same frequency band



NIST Interoperability Test Bed (NITB) undergoing 5G update to better understand how different systems interact.



# Emerging Tech Standards: 5G



*Credit: Pixabay*

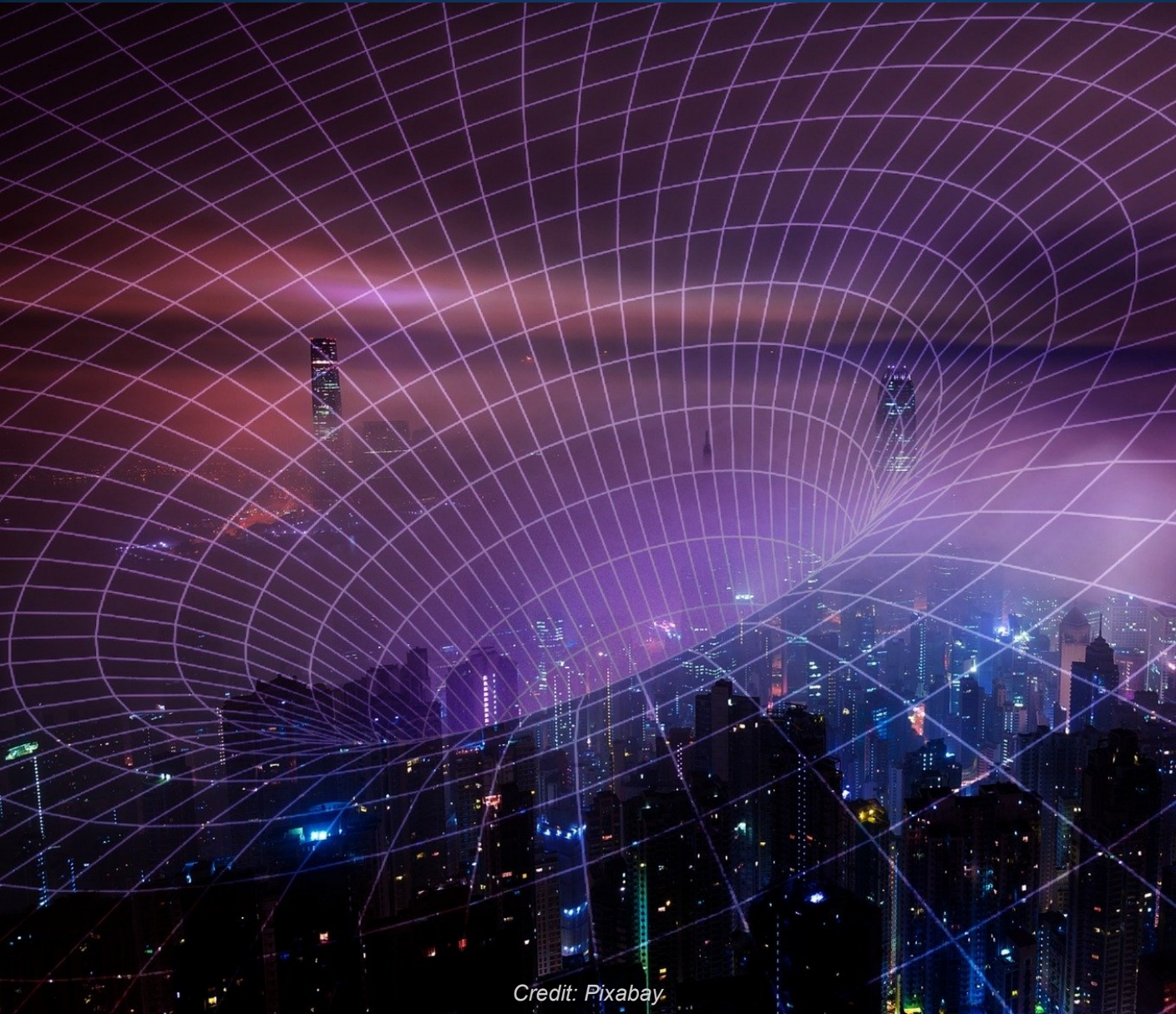
Significant focus for the Administration with engagement at highest levels of government – Congress, Executive Branch

March 2020: “Secure 5G and Beyond Act” signed. Administration released “National Strategy to Secure 5G”

NIST engaged in whole-of-government effort in support of the National Strategy. NIST plays a leading role in standards-related efforts in strategy development

Commerce Department established 5G Working Group to help coordinate DOC bureau activities relating to 5G

# Emerging Tech Standards



Credit: Pixabay.

US industry and standards organizations confused following 2018 Huawei Export Administration Regulations Entity Listing and following standards exemption by BIS

NIST raised awareness about unintended impacts of these rules on US effectiveness in digital technology standardization

US companies pulling back from standards engagements involving Huawei; some standards/specifications organizations moving abroad

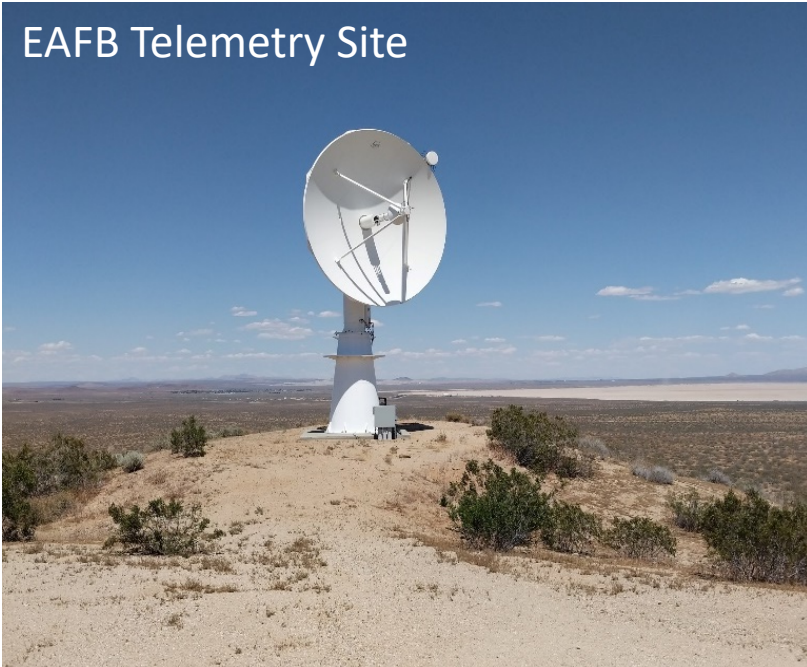
NIST worked closely with BIS/DOC to provide clarity on standards engagement; BIS ultimately decides



# Advanced Communications: Update



EAFB Telemetry Site



## National Advanced Spectrum and Communications Test Network (NASCTN) Factor Screening Project with U.S. Air Force/Edwards Air Force Base:

- Assembled interagency team (NIST, NTIA & NASA, with MITRE Corp) to chart LTE impacts on aeronautical mobile telemetry (AMT)
- Performed one of the largest factor screening experiments ever completed at NIST. Analysis results will be used to lower interference risk with government systems and support increased spectrum availability for commercial operators.



## May 1: Public Safety Communications Research (PSCR) “Tech to Protect” Challenge

- Move to 100% Virtual attendance, 277 online participants, 25 teams presented, over \$1M to date awarded to support innovative solutions to help first responders.

# Securing Cyber Supply Chains



Advanced Manufacturing Goal:  
Reduce the cybersecurity risk in  
global supply chain



Address risks inherent in  
components making up modern  
information and communications  
technology products



Outlines eight key practices to  
minimize risk

# Exoskeleton Performance Measurement



Advanced Manufacturing systems:  
measurements of joint rotation  
axis locations



Test method to evaluate  
performance of humans wearing  
exoskeletons



Standardized taxonomy and  
measurements





# Infrastructure: EDGe\$ Resilience Tool

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*Credit : Delaware Department of Transportation*



Economic Decision Guide Software  
Online Tool



Provides a method of evaluating and comparing community projects to improve resilience



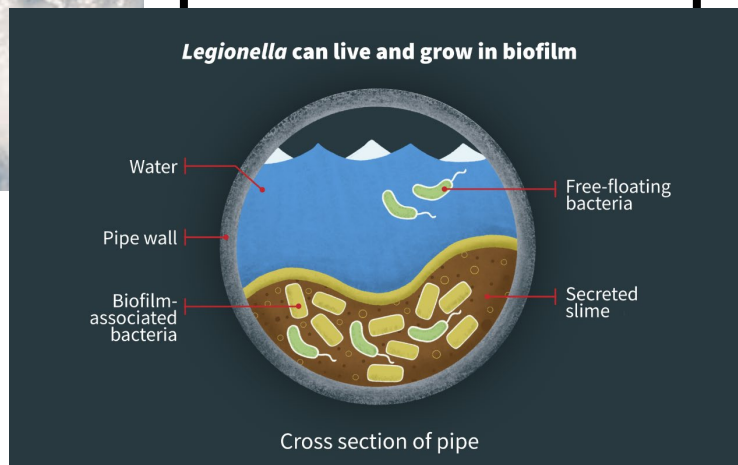
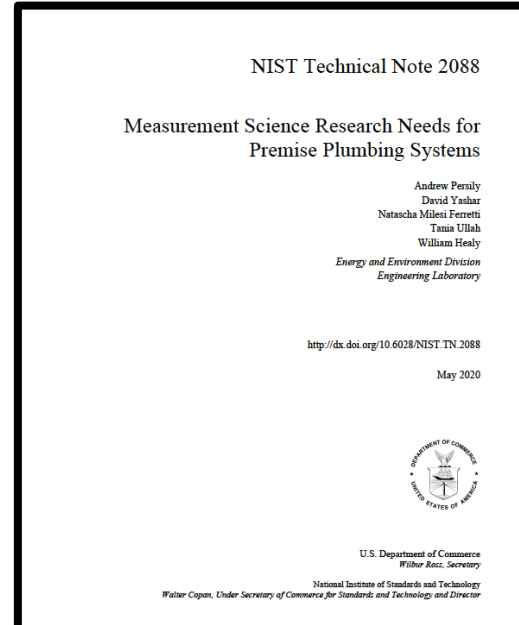
Calculates several important figures that indicate the value of investments



# Infrastructure: Plumbing Research Needs



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Shutterstock



Credit: B. Hayes/NIST



Report identifies research needs critical to design and operation of premise plumbing systems



Current plumbing codes based on data that are nearly 100 years old



Drive to improve water efficiency needs to be balanced with preservation and improvement of water quality

# NCNR Upgrade Plans

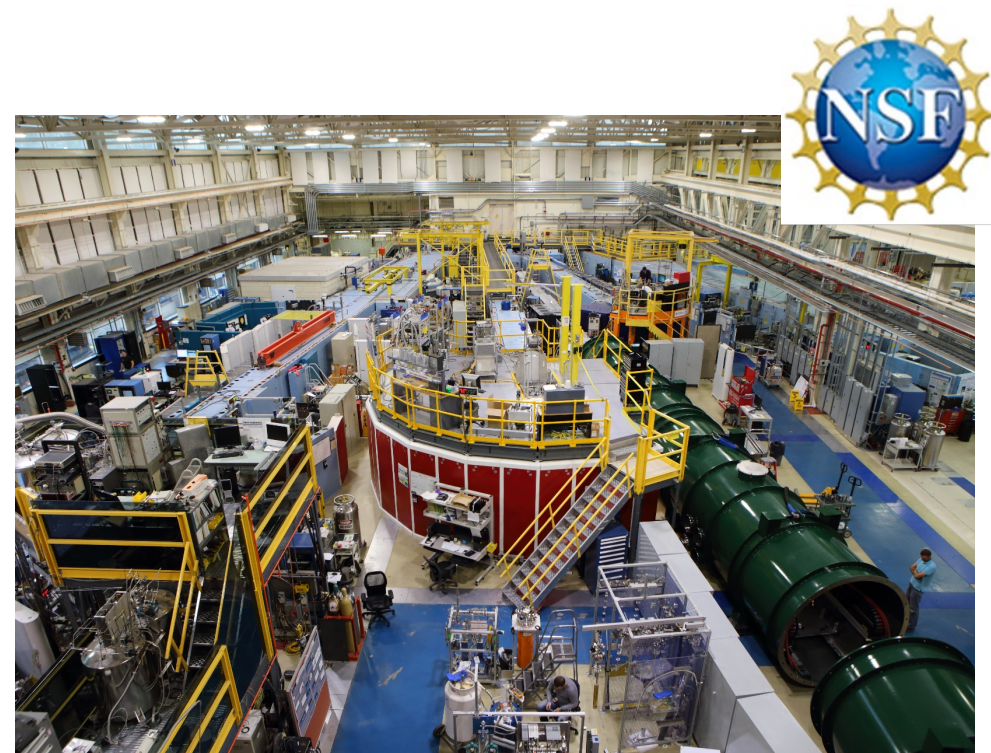
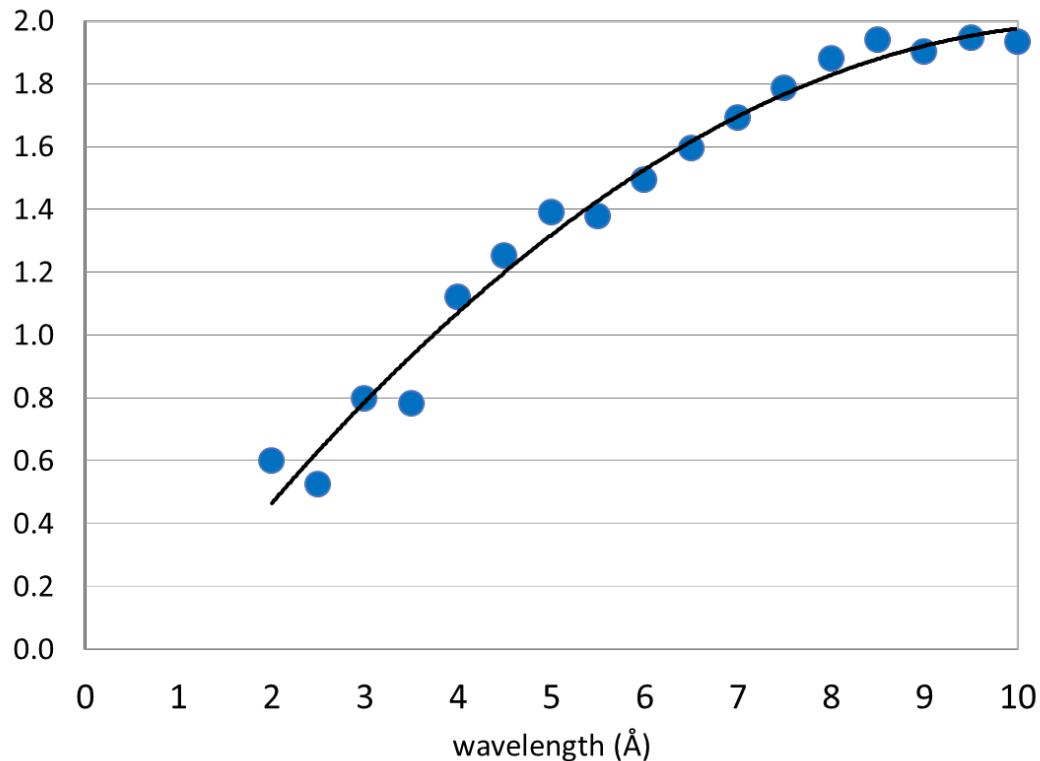
New liquid D<sub>2</sub> cold neutron source will double cold neutron flux at long wavelengths.

NIST Cryostat expected to be purchased this year

NIST will provide world class measurement capability with a new superconducting Neutron Spin-Echo spectrometer.

Superconducting coils purchased

Projected gain over current cold neutron source



# NIST's Critical Role in Bioeconomy Growth



Recent efforts in House, Senate, and OSTP to strengthen America's Bioeconomy. NIST a key contributor to white paper on U.S. Bioeconomy directions



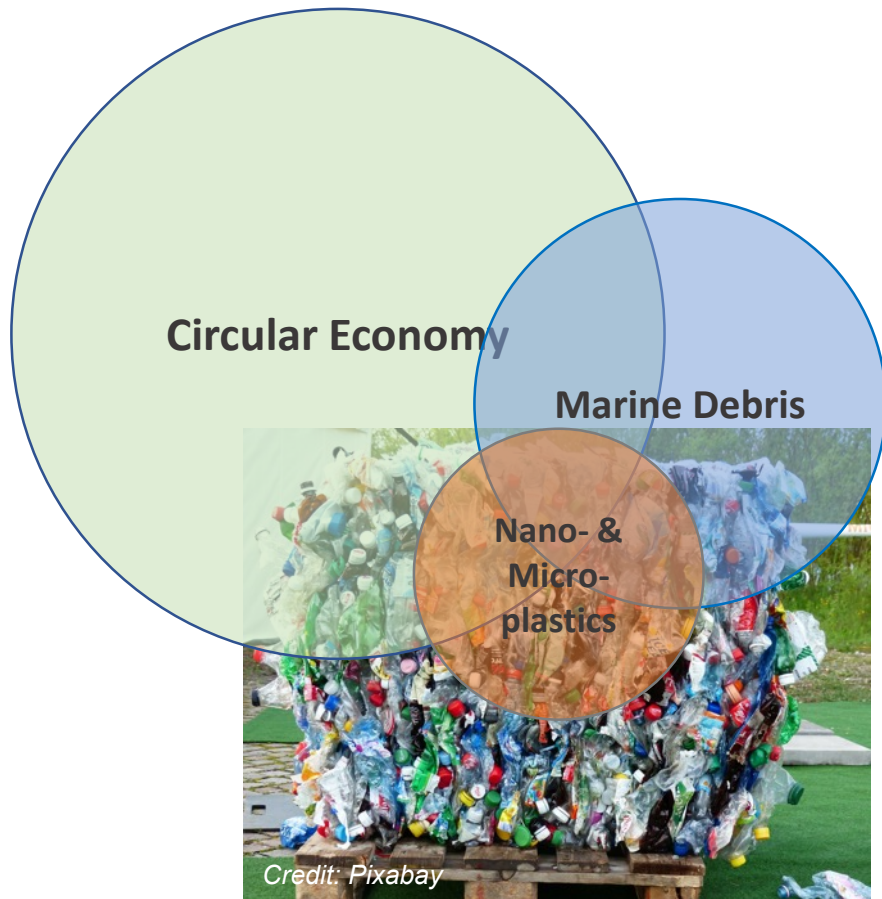
NIST recognized as major contributor to advance Bioeconomy efforts: standards, measurement science and data in Biomanufacturing & Engineering Biology



NIST MML expanding focus on design/build/test/learn cycles for living cells and systems, helping to translate technologies for commercialization



# NIST and the Circular Economy



Support US manufacturers and recycling industry in response to global waste and emerging international trade crises



Develop new measurements/ data/ tools to improve efficiency of materials recovery/utilization and decision-making for circular pathways



NIST MML major program development:

- 1) \$6M Plastics Recycling Center grants to develop workforce (aligning with DOE Manuf. USA Institutes REMADE, RAPID)
- 2) Internal seed funding for multiple new efforts across NIST sites



# Forensics Center of Excellence Renewal



**Carnegie  
Mellon  
University**



NIST has renewed support with commitment of \$20 million for the next phase of CSAFE starting June 1<sup>st</sup>



West Virginia University joins as 6<sup>th</sup> University in the consortium for CSAFE 2.0



CSAFE 2.0 will expand from R&D to piloting in the field a systematic training and education program

# U.S. Voting Standards and Guidelines



EAC Commissioner Ben Hovland with NIST Director Walt Copan



NIST led the Technical Guidelines Development Committee (TGDC) for the new Voluntary Voting Standards and Guidelines, Version 2.0 (VVSG 2.0)



VVSG 2.0 and enhancements for voting standards governance and transparency were issued by EAC for public comment, ratification



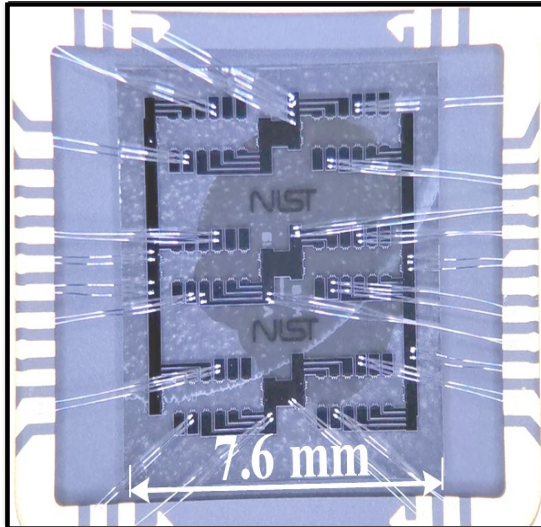
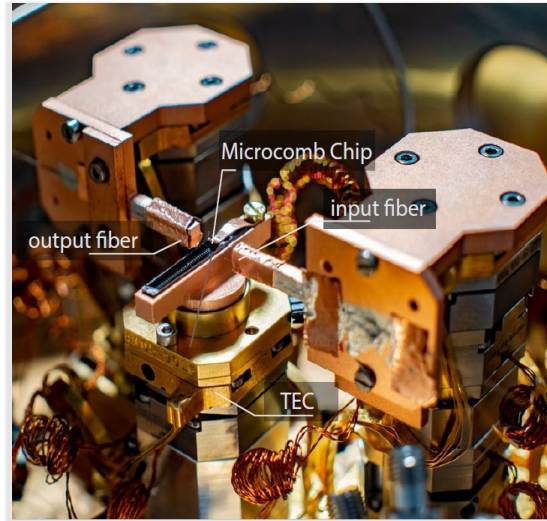
EAC, NIST, DHS/CISA and FBI jointly issued report: “Risk Management for Electronic Ballot Delivery, Marking and Return”





# NIST on a Chip: Highlights

Breakthrough measurements related to new micro-comb platforms for low power systems *(with UCSB)*



Ohm dissemination for the US Air Force through graphene Quantum Hall Standard



DoD established Tri-Service Advanced Technology Group within the Calibration Coordination Group



New \$25 million / 5-year NIST-wide agreement signed with the US Air Force. Navy and Army agreements in progress



Laying the foundation for international adoption of NIST on a Chip

# Baldrige Performance Excellence Program



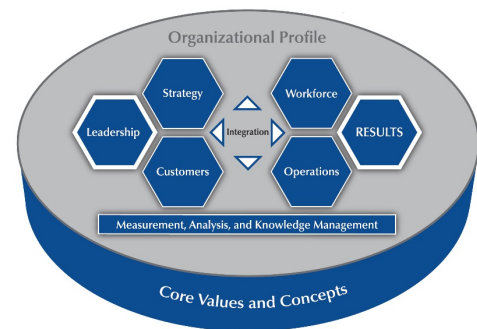
EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Presidential Executive Order  
Expanding Apprenticeships in  
America

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Executive Order Establishing the  
President's National Council for  
the American Worker

- Pledge to America's Workers Presidential Award
  - Baldrige-informed effort to recognize excellence in workforce education, training, and reskilling
  - Developed in response to E.O.'s 13801 and 13845
  - BPEP leads on design and implementation – first awards this September



- Communities of Excellence
  - Communities using a modified Baldrige Framework to enhance quality of life through education, healthcare, and economic opportunity
  - Sharing best practices to enhance community resilience

# ROI Initiative Progress Continues!



April 24, 2020 – one-year anniversary of release of NIST Special Publication 1234



Moving from findings to implementation through the Lab-to-Market NSTC Subcommittee and CAP Goal



Progress in Legislation, Regulation, Tools, and new programs

## Green Paper Findings Addressed in Proposed Regulation:

Finding 1

Government Use Rights

Finding 2

March-In Rights

Finding 3

Preference For US Manufacturing

Finding 8

Streamlined Partnership Mechanisms

Finding 13

Federal IP Data and Reporting Systems

Finding 15

Benchmarking and Metrics

### Current Status:

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in DOC clearance before being sent for formal agency review.

Publication of final rule expected November 2020.

## Green Paper Findings Addressed in Proposed Legislation:

**Finding 4** Copyright of Government Software

**Finding 5** Proprietary Information

**Finding 6** Strengthen Technology Transfer at Federal Labs

**Finding 7** Presumption of Government Rights to Employee Inventions

**Finding 8** Streamlined Partnership Mechanisms

**Finding 9** Expanded Partnership Mechanisms

**Finding 14** Access to Federal Technologies, Knowledge, and Capabilities

**Finding 15** Benchmarking and Metrics

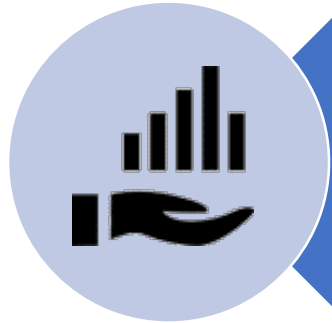
### Current Status:

LRM comments from agencies received; completed review and adjudicating responses with OMB.

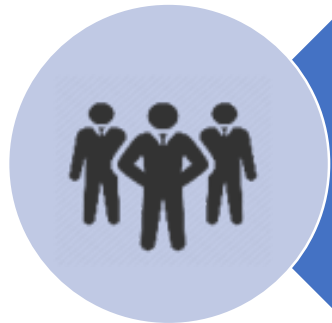
Delivery to Congressional Committees expected Summer 2020.



# ROI Progress: Other Areas



NIST Presidential Innovation Fellow examined barriers limiting Angel / VC investment into Federal technologies; Recommendations to be published in NAI Journal, *Technology and Innovation*

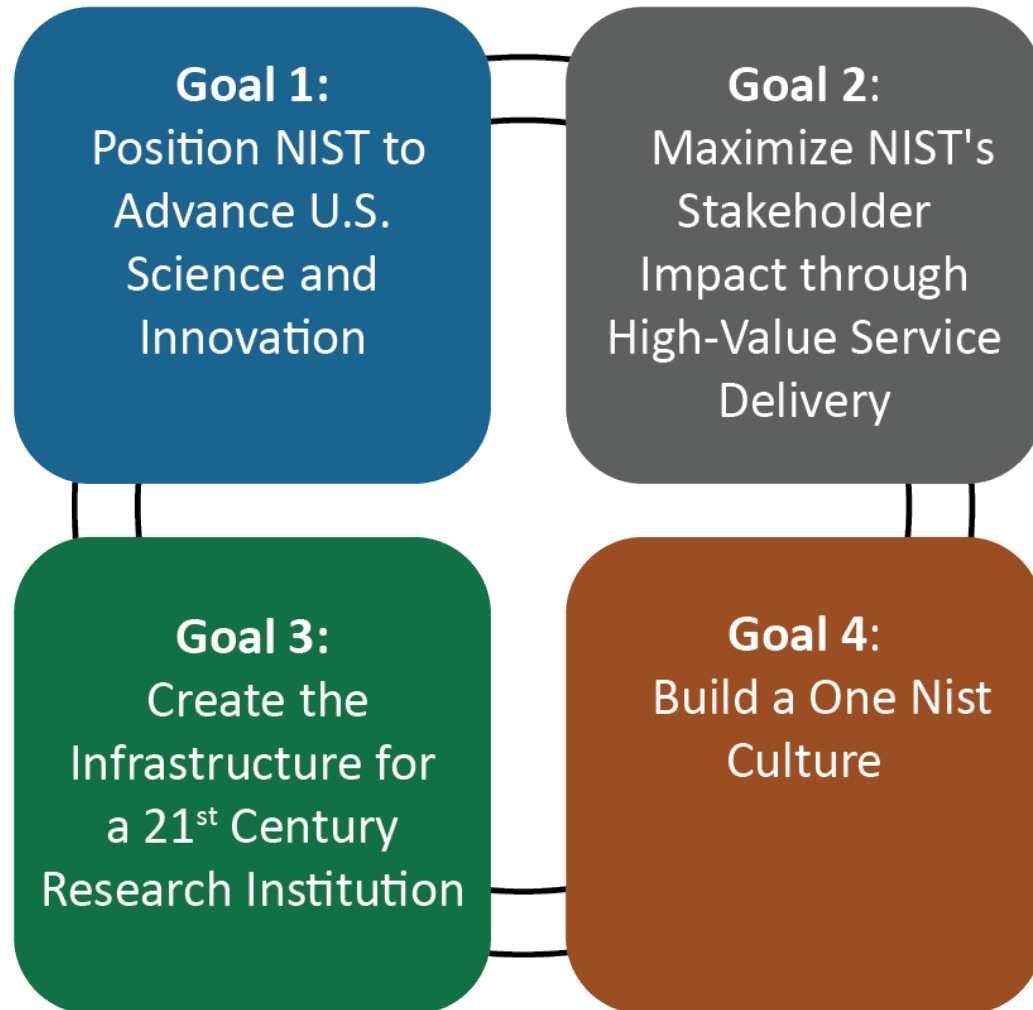


Government-wide, new working group for Entrepreneurial Training; Technology Maturation Acceleration Program at NIST



Rebuild of the interagency Edison system for reporting Bayh-Dole inventions being transferred from NIH and rebuilt at NIST; estimated to launch in mid-FY22

# NIST Strategic Plan: Goals



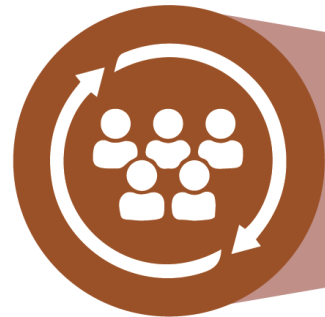
**Position NIST to Advance U.S. Science and Innovation –** NIST will make sure that it has the workforce, organizational structures, and partnerships to support the development and adoption of emerging technologies critical to innovation and the economic competitiveness of the United States.

**Maximize NIST’s Stakeholder Impact through High-Value Service Delivery –** NIST will optimize service delivery, streamline processes, and strengthen stakeholder engagement to transform technology transfer.

**Create the Infrastructure for a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Research Institution –** NIST will make sure that it has both the physical and IT infrastructure to carry out its programs.

**Build a One NIST Culture –** Ensure that our workforce of federal staff and NIST associates are united around NIST’s mission and are valued for the expertise they bring.

# NIST Strategic Plan: Immediate Actions



## Workforce

1. Improve collaboration and agility across NIST programs by restructuring performance plans to provide flexibility for collaborative work.
2. Establish a new ADLP funding mechanism to foster cross-OU collaboration.
3. Appoint a NIST Diversity coordinator to lead efforts to improve the diversity of NIST's workforce.
4. Strengthen NIST's leadership corps by developing and implementing a NIST leadership competencies model and increase support for development and growth of existing leaders at NIST.



- Team members selected
- Initial meetings held / scheduled



## Infrastructure

5. Develop a prioritized implementation plan of the NIST Campus Master Plan.
6. Optimize ongoing repair activities through the utilization of a predictive facilities maintenance tool to guide future SCMMR investments.



- Prioritized and Integrated Master Plan developed
- Discussing best approach



## Operations and Procedures

7. Increase the successful transfer of NIST-developed technologies by applying best practices to streamline and enhance customer and stakeholder engagements.
8. Improve stakeholder awareness of NIST by clarifying and sharpening NIST's strategic communications and initiating an effort to rebrand.



- Discussing best approach
- Working towards contract implementation 44

# NIST Strategic Plan: Implementation Cycle



# DISCUSSION

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