

NIST Director Testifies at House Science Committee Hearing

On April 18, 2013, NIST Director Dr. Patrick Gallagher testified before the House Committee on Science, Space & Transportation Subcommittee on Technology with an overview of the Obama Administration Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 NIST budget proposal. The archived webcast of the Committee Hearing is available [here](#). The Director's full written testimony is posted [here](#).

April 19, 2013 Constituent Budget Webinar

Dr. Patrick Gallagher provided a one hour overview of the FY 2014 budget for NIST constituents. His presentation is available in several formats: a [pdf file](#) of his briefing slides and the audio [mp3 file](#) from the webinar. In addition the audio and video of the webinar is accessible through the URL below.

<https://cc.readytalk.com/play?id=968s9f>

May 29-31, 2013 Cybersecurity Workshop

NIST is holding the second of four planned workshops to develop a voluntary framework to reduce cybersecurity risks for critical infrastructure from May 29-31, 2013, at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pa. The hands-on workshop is open to cybersecurity industry experts in all sectors—such as energy, finance, transportation and communications—as well as government and academic stakeholders.

The first Cybersecurity Framework Workshop in early April brought together stakeholders to hear perspectives from industry leaders, reviews of the threat environment from Information Sharing and Analysis Centers in critical infrastructure fields, and to learn about government partnerships with the Department of Homeland Security and NIST. Streaming video of the workshop is available [here](#).

During the upcoming May and summer workshops, attendees will be asked to roll up their sleeves to identify, refine and guide the many interrelated considerations, challenges and efforts needed to build the framework. Participants in the working sessions will analyze and discuss the framework's initial inputs, including the RFI responses and preliminary analysis conducted by NIST.

The [May workshop](#) is limited to 500 attendees due to space constraints, so early registration is suggested at the link below.

https://www-s.nist.gov/CRS/conf_disclosure.cfm?conf_id=6269

NIST Smart Grid Activities Newsletter

The Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA) assigned NIST the "primary responsibility to coordinate development of a framework that includes protocols and model standards for information management to achieve interoperability of smart grid devices and systems." A new [monthly newsletter](#) provides news and highlights of NIST scientists working with stakeholders in the public and private sectors to develop interoperable standards. The newsletter is also available through the [GovDelivery](#) service that publishes this newsletter.