# IAC R&D Gaps Working Group

February 7 Update to IAC



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Added 12/2



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#1 R&D Gaps The charter of this working group is to look at the long term research needs of the semiconductor industry. The working group will then need to understand what is being funded by other initiatives, where the gaps are, and then suggest priorities to the IAC as to where the focus areas should be for CHIPS funding and the NSTC that provide the best opportunities to sustain US leadership in semiconductor innovation. (Chair: Dan Armbrust)

#2 Org & PPP This working group will review and examine all the various funding sources for semiconductor R&D and map out the relationships between these entities to ensure spending efficiency and eliminate any overlaps. In addition, this working group will review the essential functions of the NSTC. Finally, this committee will review PPP proposals for both R&D partnerships, the value proposition for industry participation in PPPs, as well investment. (Chair: Deirdre Hanford)

#3 Workforce This working group will look at the workforce needs across the industry from high level R&D personnel to factory workers. They should review programs that will increase the interest and availability of the necessary skills for the US to lead the world in semiconductor R&D and manufacturing. (Chair: Tsu Jae King Liu)

## R&D Gaps WG work plan – 90 day sprint

- Nov 15 1<sup>st</sup> meeting Charter and expectations
- Nov 22 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting Speakers and member homework
- Nov 29 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting Grand Challenges and Gaps Part 1
- Dec 1 4<sup>th</sup> meeting Grand Challenges and Gaps Part 2
- Dec 8 5<sup>th</sup> meeting IAC Meeting #1 and Breakout team discussions
- Dec 13 6<sup>th</sup> meeting Breakout team updates
- Jan 3 7<sup>th</sup> meeting Breakout team updates
- Jan 10 8<sup>th</sup> meeting Breakout team updates
- Jan 17 9<sup>th</sup> meeting Breakout team updates
- Jan 24 10<sup>th</sup> meeting Draft of WG recommendations to IAC
- Jan 31 11th meeting Finalize WG recommendations to IAC
  - IAC Meeting #2

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### Sources for semiconductor R&D landscape and priorities

DOE Nov '19 Basic Research Needs for Microelectronics

Oct '22 OSTP RFI Response

- SRC Jan '21 Decadal Plan for Semiconductors (Grand challenges)
- MITRE Nov '21 American Innovation, American Growth: A Vision for the NSTC

Mar '22 NSTC RFI Response

- ASIC Feb '22 Accelerating Semiconductor Research, Accelerating America
  - Mar '22 NSTC RFI Response
- NIST Sep '22 Incentives, Infrastructure, and R&D Needs for Semiconductor Ind. (RFI response summary)
  - Aug '22 Metrology and Measurements
- PCAST Sep '22 Revitalizing the U.S. Semiconductor Ecosystem
- DOC Sep '22 A Strategy for the CHIPS for America Fund, and Briefing
  - Oct '22 CHIPS for America R&D Program briefing
- OSTP Oct '22 Draft National Strategy on Microelectronics Research
- SIA Oct '22 Advancing Semiconductor Research Report
- DOD Nov '22 Future Directions Microelectronics

### Invited Speakers for IAC R&D Gaps working group

<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Mark Rosker	DARPA	3DHI
Steve Pawlowski	Micron	Memory
Alex Pothen	Purdue	Algorithms
Karen Willcox	UT Austin	Modeling and Simulation
John Shalf	LBNL	Accelerators for HPC
Bill Dally	Nvidia	Accelerated Computing
David Patterson	Alphabet	Accelerators, Chiplets, and Sustainability
Ravi Mahajan	Intel	Packaging and Heterogeneous Integration
Markus Kuhn	Rigaku	Metrology
David Su	Former TSMC	Metrology
Rick Gottscho	LAM	Equipment and Digital Twins
Regina Freed	Applied Materials	Digital Twins
Shankar Krishnamoorthy	Synopsys	EDA and Co-design
John Damoulakis	Cadence	EDA and Co-design and Simulation
David Pan	UT Austin	EDA and Co-design
Edith Beigne	Meta	VR and AR
Eli Harari	Sunrise	Memory Startup
Gregg Lowe	Wolfspeed	Power Electronics and SiC
Tom Edman	TTM Tech	PCB, Interposers
Keren Bergman	Columbia	Photonics and Opto-electronics Systems

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1) How to establish research grand challenges, and refresh periodically?

- 2) What are the research grand challenges (that impact long term needs)?
- 3) What are the most important R&D gaps to these challenges?
- 4) What role should the CHIPS Act entities and funding play?

#1 What are the R&D grand challenges and gaps?

#2 How to establish research grand challenges, and refresh periodically?

#3 How should the CHIPS Act entities address R&D grand challenges and gaps?

Debo, Philip, Om, Chuck

Ahmad, James, Todd, Raj

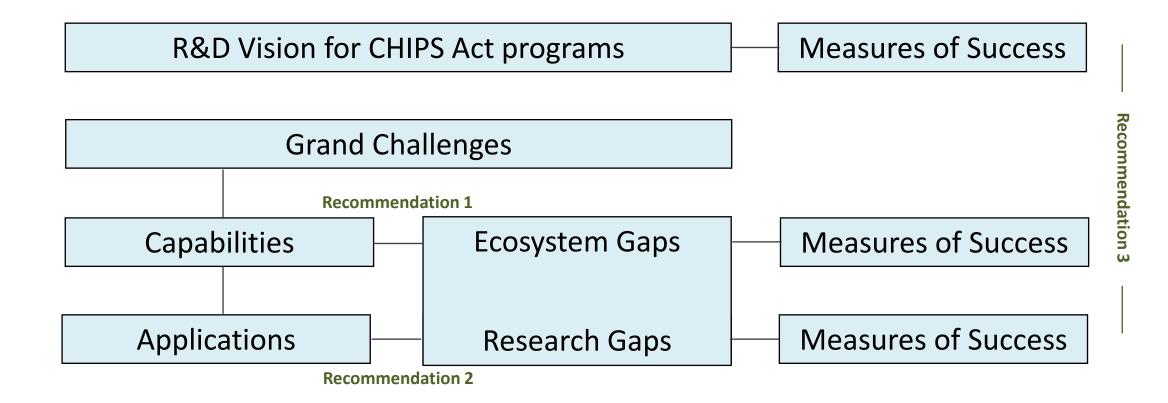
Carol, Mukesh, Susie, Ann

Focus of 90-day sprint:

- Reviewed 15 R&D reports and invited 20 experts to record their POV
- Created an overarching R&D vision
- Achieved consensus on <u>capabilities and application grand challenges</u>
- Defined ecosystem and research gaps for each challenge
- Identified measures of success overall, and for grand challenges
- Prepared <u>recommendations</u> by Feb 7 IAC meeting

Mostly deferred to subsequent sprints (overlaps with WG#2 scope):

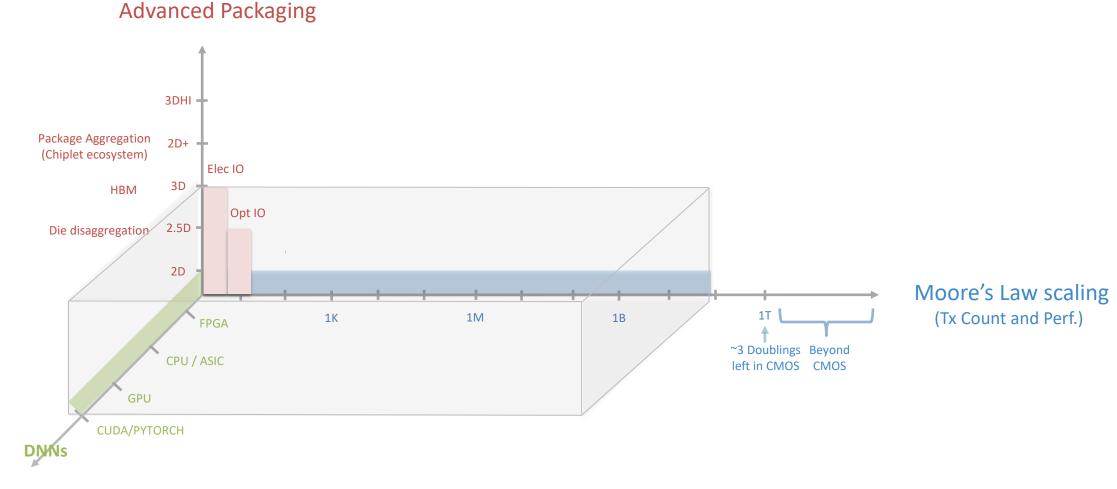
- How to prioritize among grand challenges (emphasis, timing, scope)
- How to execute overall mission in NSTC / NAPMP / Mfg USA



1) Drive semiconductor innovation for energy efficiency and a sustainable planet

- 2) Democratize access to the semiconductor innovation engine
- 3) Supercharge semiconductor system innovation through an open chiplet platform
- 4) Regain undisputed US technology leadership through fundamental R&D which will revolutionize applications
- 5) Grow semiconductor industry through start-up incubation and acceleration
- 6) Cultivate a knowledgeable talent pool

## Context: Expanding the computing volume drives economics



Application driven systems with specialized architectures/algorithms w/ software stack **Recommendation 1:** 

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- 1) Establish easily accessible prototyping capabilities in multiple facilities and enact the ability to rapidly try out CMOS+X at a scale that is relevant to industry
- 2) Create a semiverse digital twin
- 3) Establish chiplets ecosystem and 3D heterogeneous integration platform for chiplet innovation and advanced packaging
- 4) Build an accessible platform for chip design and enable new EDA tools that treat 3D (monolithic or stacked) as an intrinsic assumption
- 5) Create a nurturing ecosystem for promising startups

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- 1) Improve computing energy efficiency by 1,000X in a decade including leveraging domain specific accelerators and architectures, and innovation in materials, process and equipment technologies.
- Develop and implement next-generation semiconductor manufacturing that is 10X more capital and human resource efficient and achieve net zero emissions with minimum waste and demonstrated sustainable materials in the next decade.
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## **R&D** Gaps Working Group recommendations

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CHIPS Act R&D programs to prioritize additional application grand challenges with advice from stakeholders. <u>Candidates include:</u>

- AR/VR performative solutions that enable mobile and interactive computing and communication access for training, education and life
- Next generation wireless communication building blocks at 10x energy efficiency, 10x capacity and 10x reduction in latency compared to today's state of the art
- High voltage intelligent power solutions for grid/distribution control and sensing at 10X higher power density and at >90+% efficiency
- Life science health monitoring, diagnostics and therapeutic wearable and implantable solutions
- Life science brain-like information interface via multi-modal neuroscience solutions
- Autonomous systems via multi-modal and "intelligent" sensing to action with integrated decision making 100x lower energy and cost for ubiquitous application.

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### **Capabilities**

1.Cost, cycle time and utilization of prototyping capabilities against benchmarks. Projects enabled via CHIPS Act R&D programs should show a significant improvement over the status quo. Startups and researchers should constitute an impactful proportion. Included should be measuring the progress of projects to higher readiness levels.

2.Utilization and integration of semiverse and codesign capabilities with leadership capabilities

3.Utilization of an accessible platform for chip design and new 3D EDA tools

4.A functioning ecosystem of standards, for example, for chiplets that are increasingly integrated in 3D, with supporting packaging and test prototyping capabilities

5. Quantity of startups, quality of outcomes and transition to CVC and VC supported funding rounds

#### Applications:

1.Ecosystem participation and satisfaction of all stakeholders in standards, roadmaps, capabilities, program prioritization and execution.

2.Achievement of fundamental breakthroughs that lead to advances towards achieving application grand challenges

3.Achievement of quantified and timebased intermediate milestones of demonstrations

### **Overall R&D programs:**

1.Obtaining membership fees and program matching contributions from stakeholders, both amount and variety of sources

2.Obtainment of US manufacturing outcomes for CHIPS Act R&D that emerge ready for translation to commercialization, showing the connection between R&D and mfg.

3.Recognition by stakeholders that the CHIPS Act R&D programs are widely viewed as neutral and trusted.

4.Cancellation of some programs due to failure or change in support – its absence would indicate a lack of robust feedback and risk taking.

5.Generation of revenue streams as a percentage of funding, including fees for utilization of capabilities, licensing of IP developed by the CHIPS Act R&D programs and valuations (non-cash) and returns from investment capital for startup portfolio. **Recommendation 1:** 

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