IV. Subcommittee Session

Subcommittees Overview



Created to aid in NIST's efforts to support America's competitiveness in the global economy

Visibility Improvement





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Workforce Development Efforts



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Alignment of Manufacturing Efforts



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VCAT Subcommittee on Visibility Improvement Update

Subcommittee Chair: Dr. Vinton G. Cerf Subcommittee Members: Mr. George Fischer Dr. Eric Kaler Ms. Katharine Ku

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VCAT Subcommittee on Visibility Improvement



This subcommittee will report to the VCAT and make recommendations on the following, among other related topics:

- Developing clear messaging to effectively communicate NIST's value across stakeholder groups
- Mechanisms for the strategic delivery of NIST's messaging
- Approaches for increasing the exposure of key stakeholders to NIST's critical work driving American innovation







Actions taken



Subcommittee met in September and October

- NIST PCO analyst presented background information on existing visibility efforts at NIST and DOC
- Subcommittee decided to reach out to subject matter expert for consultation
- Investigate the use of polling to gain additional insights into NIST's visibility and what approaches would benefit the agency

Future actions



Subcommittee plans additional meetings

 Subcommittee will prepare recommendations for VCAT discussion prior to February VCAT meeting with NIST leadership

VCAT Subcommittee on Workforce Development Update

Subcommittee Chair: Dr. Gail Folena-Wasserman Subcommittee Members: Dr. Keoki Jackson (VCAT Vice Chair) Dr. Anthony Johnson

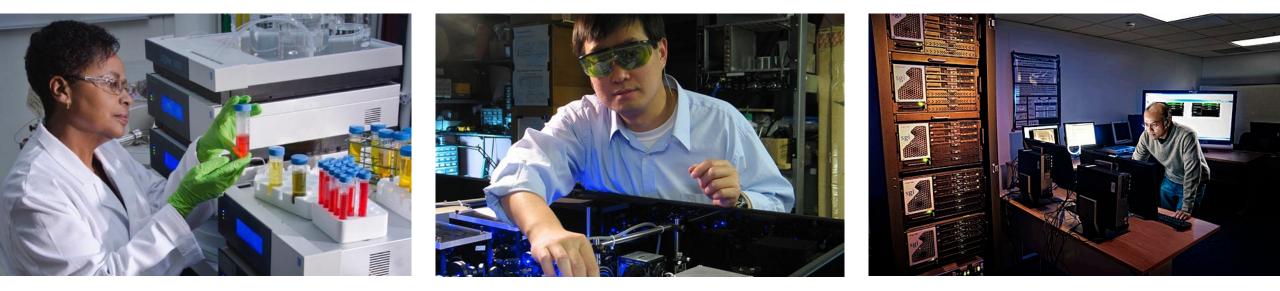
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VCAT Subcommittee on Workforce Development Efforts



Charged to report to the VCAT and make recommendations on the following, among other related topics to create a more equitable employee engagement experience and promote diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA):

- Academic programs for students for pipeline development and nurturing the science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) workforce
- Expansion of Manufacturing USA Institute training efforts
- Pilot programs to help women return to the workforce after a prolonged absence



Actions taken



Subcommittee met in September and October

- NIST PCO analyst presented background information on existing workforce development efforts at NIST and DOC
- Each of three charges delegated to a subcommittee member to lead draft plan of action
- Visiting technical experts (VTE) engaged
 - One academic subject matter expert included on committee full time
 - Presentation on an external program on building a STEM talent pipeline
 - Manufacturing USA VTEs consulted
 - Several potential academic and industry experts on special topics identified
- Drafting plans of action to recommendations

Future Actions



Subcommittee to meet biweekly

- Gather data on needs, existing offerings and identified gaps related to each of the 3 charges
 - Solicit additional external expert feedback
 - Identify other data sources
 - Visiting technical experts panel on challenges faced in returning to work following prolonged absence
- Gather data on employee engagement and DEIA status related to each of the 3 charges
- Prepare recommendations
 - Solicit feedback from external experts through working sessions with VCAT

VCAT Subcommittee on Alignment of Manufacturing Efforts Update

Subcommittee Chair: Mr. David Vasko Subcommittee Members: Dr. Michelle Parker Dr. Mehmood Khan

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VCAT Subcommittee on Alignment of Manufacturing Efforts





Charged with **envisioning ways** and **providing recommendations** for NIST's programs:

- 1. better integrate and align to effectively span the innovation continuum
- 2. deliver solutions that enables industry to accelerate competitiveness and impact

To examine the alignment of NIST laboratory outputs, MEP and Manufacturing USA.

To **report** to the Committee and **make recommendations** on the following, among other related topics:

- 1. strategic use of the CHIPS Act to establish alignment
- 2. benchmarking against Germany's Fraunhofer and other similar organizations for best practices
- 3. development of a matching concierge service to make connections between laboratories, MEP, and Manufacturing USA

Actions taken



Meeting 01 held on 27 SEP 2022

- NIST PCO Program Analyst and SMEs presented background information on
 - 1. CHIPS Act Implementation
 - 2. an initiative by "America Works" in Germany
 - 3. an update of MATTR, MATTR+, and MEP-MFG USA Advanced Tech Team

Meeting 02 held on 11 OCT 2022

 NIST Office of Advanced Manufacturing briefing on Advanced Manufacturing International Benchmarking

Both meetings featured robust discussion and follow-on assignments

Future actions



Subcommittee plans additional meetings

- Meeting 03 scheduled for 01 NOV 2022 (agenda in draft)
 - 1. MEP-MFG USA engagement and findings from the embedding pilot
 - 2. Tech transfer
- Subcommittee will prepare recommendations for VCAT discussion prior to February VCAT meeting with NIST leadership

Discussion

VCAT Subcommittees Discussion



- Are there additional external visiting experts that the Subcommittee should consider?
- How can NIST help?
- Timeline for VCAT recommendations

Thank You