NIST Update Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology

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Meeting Agenda



Session I: NIST Update

- Session II: Setting the Stage The Role of NIST in America's Evolving Innovation Ecosystem
- Session III: Steps Taken and Future Opportunities

Session IV: Discussion with VCAT

Session I: NIST Update



- Thank You and farewell to two VCAT Members
- NIST leadership changes
- Budget update
- Laboratories programmatic update
- Discussion



Thank You



CTO Microsoft M365 Security & Compliance

In Grateful Recognition

National Institute of Standards and Technology Hereby expresses its sincere appreciation to

Hemma Prafullchandra

For her active interest, generous contribution of time and talents, and wise counsel as a member of the NIST Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology and for participating in the VCAT Innovation and Competitiveness through Fundamental Measurement Research and Development Working Group during the period of October 2014 through October 2020.



Thank You



President and CEO M-7 Technologies

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For his active interest, generous contribution of time and talents, and wise counsel as a member of the NIST Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology and for participating in the VCAT Communications Working Group during the period of January 2015 through January 2021.

NIST Leadership Changes: Retirement

Director, Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP)

Carroll Thomas

- Retiring in December 2020
- Nearly 18 years at NIST as Senior Program Office Analyst, Commerce/Science Fellow, Partnership Catalyst and MEP Director
- More than 30 years of entrepreneurial and small business development experience
- Served as Acting Associate Director of Innovation and Industry Services (ADIIS)
- Provided senior leadership for the NIST Office of Advanced Manufacturing, Baldrige Performance Excellence Program and the Technology Partnerships Office





NIST Leadership Changes: Retirement



NIST Leadership Changes





Jennifer Huergo

Acting Director, Public Affairs Office





Rob Ivester

Acting Director, Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP)



NIST Leadership Changes: Welcome

Director, Office of Acquisition and Agreements Management

Stephen Yuter

- Previously served as Senior Vice President and Public Sector Contracts Leader with global PR firm FleishmanHillard.
- Senior Manager and Chief Contracts Strategist with Deloitte and Director of Capture Strategy with Red Team Consulting.
- Has held senior acquisition and contracting leadership positions at HHS, HUD, USDA, DHS, and DoD, and served as source selection authority for over \$10 B of contracts.





NIST Budget



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

FY20 Enacted, Spend Plans Approved

FY21 House Mark

FY22 Early Stages, Briefing to OMB

NIST Budget



						FY 2022
		FY 2020		FY 2021	FY 2022	+/(-) Over
	FY 2020	CARES Act	FY 2021	House	OMB	FY 2021
	Enacted	P.L. 116-136	Request	Mark	Request	Request
STRS	\$754.0	\$6.0	\$652.0	\$789.0	\$652.0	\$0.0
Laboratory Programs	655.8	6.0	591.3	TBD	590.1	(1.2)
Corporate Services	17.3	0.0	12.0	TBD	16.9	4.9
Stds Coord & Special Pgms *	80.9	0.0	48.7	TBD	45.0	(3.7)
ITS	\$162.0	\$60.0	\$25.3	\$170.0	\$25.3	\$0.0
Hollings Mfg Ext Partnership	146.0	50.0	0.0	153.0	0.0	0.0
Manufacturing USA	16.0	10.0	25.3	17.0	25.3	0.0
CRF	\$118.0	\$0.0	\$60.2	\$85.0	\$60.2	\$0.0
Construc & Major Renovations	43.0	0.0	19.6	10.0	19.6	0.0
Saf, Cap, Maint & Maj Repairs	75.0	0.0	40.6	75.0	40.6	0.0
Total, NIST Discretionary	1,034.0	72.0	737.5	1,044.0	737.5	0.0

* Includes \$2.2M Baldrige Performance Excellence Program funding.

Updates on Inclusivity











- Film Screening of *Picture a Scientist* and discussion sessions hosted by WiSTEM with NIST Ombuds
- Ongoing COACh study of inequity in promotion focus groups this month and next
- Conclusion of two staff detail assignments looking at inclusivity at NIST
- NIST Colloquium featuring Prof. Stefanie K. Johnson on the ABCs of Breaking Bias
- National Hispanic Heritage Month celebration with Dr. Ellen Ochoa
- Inclusivity in Standards NIST Workshop
- Inclusivity Showcase featuring NIST groups and efforts in diversity, equity, and inclusion (Oct 27)
- Creation of new NIST-wide position: Director of Diversity and Inclusion (in progress)

Privacy Framework





Credit: Shutterstock



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"Growing a Workforce for Managing Privacy Risk" Workshop was hosted by International Association of Privacy Professionals on Sept. 22-24, 2020



GDPR Crosswalk by Enterprivacy Consulting Group ISO/IEC 27701 Crosswalk by Microsoft

Updates on NIST Work in Encryption



Credit: E. Edwards/JQI



Post Quantum Cryptography Round Three Selections completed



Lightweight Encryption

The Fourth Lightweight Cryptography Workshop (virtual) on October 19-21, 2020

Cybersecurity and Privacy Noteworthy Releases





SP 800-53 Rev 5 Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations



Cybersecurity Telework Resource Page

Began validating cryptographic modules to FIPS 140-3, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules Draft Workforce Framework for Cybersecurity (NICE Framework)





SP 800-211 Cybersecurity Program Annual Report

Responsible Use of Positioning, Navigation, and Timing Services (PNT)



EXECUTIVE ORDERS

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

INFRASTRUCTURE & TECHNOLOGY Issued on: February 12, 2020

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

https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/executive-order-strengtheningnational-resilience-responsible-use-positioning-navigation-timing-services/

Cybersecurity Profile for the Responsible Use of PNT



Using an open and collaborative process, NIST will develop a foundational PNT profile to help organizations make deliberate, riskinformed decisions on their use of PNT services and will offer a time service over optical fiber lines as an alternate source of precision time.



Draft annotated outline issued on August 31, 2020

Workshop on Sept 15-16, 2020



Draft Profile for public comment expected October-November 2020

PNT: Precision Time Updates





Credit: NIST Ytterbium lattice clock

Time distribution over optical fiber

- Fiber installation completed from NIST Gaithersburg to a customer facility in VA
- Achieved uncertainty of 1 ns, smashed the original 1 μs performance goal

Optical Clock Development – NIST

continues development of transportable optical clocks based on ytterbium atoms and is progressing with its new program for an optical clock based on a single strontium ion.

Trustworthy Al



NIST is developing the vocabulary and measurements needed for technical requirements of trustworthy AI





Bias in AI: workshop on August 18, 2020



"Four Principles of Explainable AI," draft posted for public comment August 17-October 15, 2020



"Secure AI: Terminology and Taxonomy" Final draft expected in Fall 2020

Novel computational paradigms for AI





A chip where NIST tested the synaptic weighting functions that NIST has been simulating; researchers found agreement between simulations and the tested hardware within the fabrication tolerances.

Schneider, M.L., Donnelly, C.A., Haygood, I.W. et al. Synaptic weighting in single flux quantum neuromorphic computing. Sci Rep 10, 934 (2020)



Establishing metrics and benchmarks for AI hardware



Foundational analysis of the computational capacity of a physical system



Analysis and development of algorithms for spike-based computation

Use-inspired Al



NIST is contributing to the research, standards, and data required to realize the promise of AI as an enabler of American innovation across private and public sectors





Ran an internal funding competition to identify new use-inspired research topics to accelerate the deployment of AI to advance NIST programs



Three projects (MML, PML, and CTL) selected for a total investment of \$3.57 M in FY 2021

Federal Government Al standards Coordinator NIST



U.S. LEADERSHIP IN AI: A Plan for Federal Engagement in Developing Technical Standards and Related Tools

Prepared in response to Executive Order 13859 Submitted on August 9, 2019





Outreach to connect all federal efforts relating to AI standards development and use, with the goal of the community leveraging and learning from each others' successes



In collaboration with OSTP and the NSTC MLAI Subcommittee NIST will plan and execute an international campaign coordinating efforts in AI standards development

The Phish Scale





Credit: NIST

NIST developed a new method called the Phish Scale that could help organizations better train their employees to avoid a particularly dangerous form of cyberattack known as phishing

Effect of Masks on Face Recognition Accuracy NGT



Credit: N. Hanacek/NIST



NISTIR 8311 - Face recognition accuracy with face masks using pre-COVID-19 algorithms



The next report will document accuracy values for more recent algorithms, some developed with capabilities for recognition of masked faces

Quantum Economic Development Consortium (QED-C)



QED-C formally established its Steering Committee in September 2020



Goal: lay the groundwork for a new commercial industry based on quantum information science and technologies, as well as the supply chain to support it



Participation agreements signed by Steering Committee and more than 95 other entities, including over 80 companies



Plenary meeting held in September 2020; first R&D project in support of cryogenic technology being rolled out to members



The 180+ *potential members* of the consortium will convert to *members only* in early November

National Quantum Initiative (NQI): New Activities NIST



Initiated first R&D project within the QED-C: began the process of building the supply chain for quantum 2.0 industry

Initiated a project to demonstrate a potentially compact scalable quantum repeater, one of two roadblocks to quantum networks

Initiated an effort to demonstrate a compact optical clock that could provide a backup to GPS

Quantum: Materials Measurement





Atomic force image of an aluminum sample showing t arrangement of atoms measured at 0.01 Kelvin

New article details 'Swiss Army Knife' method/ instrumentation that can precisely make three simultaneous atom-scale measurements to gain new knowledge of special materials



Method connects unusual properties in materials that could be invaluable with their atomic origins & developed new microscope with optimized resolution



Applicable for development of next generation of quantum computers, communications, and beyond

NIST-on-a-Chip Update

Growing Community of Support

- DARPA announced 2 new quantum sensing programs based on NOAC
- NRO invited 4 NOAC proposals for Directors Innovation Initiative
- NOAA, NIST, and DOD working on atmospheric sensing
- Airforce has identified 7 NOAC priorities for outyear investments



Recent patents

- Rydberg atom mixer and phase determination
- Photonic calorimeter
- Photonic dosimetry







Advanced Communications: 5G Advances



SAMURAI

Highly accurate 5G measurements in a field scale device

5G Frequency Sharing

Developed a formula that allows for efficient frequency sharing



Credit: M. Hammer/NIST



Credit: NIST

Advanced Communications: Public Safety NST



Oct 2020: Launched the Differential Privacy Temporal Map Challenge with \$276,000 in prizes for breakthroughs in algorithms for data privacy over three sprints through June 2021

July 2020: Public Safety Annual Stakeholder meeting had more than 1,000 participants and over 100 hours of content

Community Resilience: Wildfire Studies



Chimney Tops 2 Fire (Tennessee, 2016) Assessed factors that impact evacuation

Camp Fire (California, 2018) Released Preliminary Reconnaissance Report Forthcoming reports on: Fire and Response Data, Fire Timeline Effort will provide new technical insight to inform best practices for mitigating risks from WUI fires



Credit : National Park Service



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Credit : M. Hoehler/NIST

ICAMS



Interagency Council for Advancing Meteorological Services



Credit : Felix Mittermeier from Pixabay

Aspirational Goal: "The United States will lead the world in meteorological services via an Earth system approach, providing societal benefits with information spanning local weather to global climate."

https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Signed-ICAMS-Charter.pdf



Kicked off by OSTP in August

NIST providing expertise in metrology, cybersecurity, and resilience



NIST is proposed to co-chair Committee on Facilities, Cyber, and Infrastructure

Manufacturing USA CARES Act Grants Awarded NIST



9 projects such as rapid testing + domestic PPE production



Expand production using additive and digital manufacturing



Advanced manufacturing skills training



Apply COBOT technology to COVID-19 test processing



Technology roadmap for pandemic response and recovery

NIIMBL Third Year Accomplishments





Tech & Workforce Projects





Biopharmaceutical manufacturing ecosystem of 155 members

65 industry partners
62 academic institutions
31 non-profits
35% increase in membership over prior year



Technology and Workforce project portfolio of \$53M includes

3:1 co-investment of non-federal to NIST funds
9 high-impact pandemic response projects sponsored by NIST through CARES Act Funding
Project Call 4.1 includes funding for global health projects in partnership with Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Manufacturing Extension Partnership



Awards to MEP Centers in all 50 states and Puerto Rico.

Provides services to manufacturers to help increase production of PPE, to reach new suppliers or markets, and to achieve greater resilience.

Completed award of **\$50M** in emergency funding to support manufacturers in their response to the COVID-19 pandemic

NIST

As of September, MEP Centers have:

- Contacted over 71,000 mfrs
- Completed 5,333 projects
- Conducted 3,829 supplier searches
- Initiated 2,858 supplier matches



Assistance has included assessments, webinars, townhalls, virtual trainings, connecting SMMs to local and national resources, return to work plans, supplier capabilities database, re-tooling

Manufacturing Extension Partnership



MEP-Assisted Technology Strategic Competition Cybersecurity Guidance and Technical Resource Program (CAP) (MATTR) Key themes of interest: Special focus on Defense • **23** offers of assistance to Adv. Manufacturing • Manufacturers MEPNN from **5** NIST labs in **Technologies Services** • >1,000 defense 2020 (AMTS) /Industry 4.0 contractors working with • 2 CRADAs between MEP Supply chain • ~30 MEP Centers and 2 Center clients and NIST Labs Workforce, Business • NIST labs (EL and ITL). services **32** active projects involving over 40 MEP Centers Purpose: Build network Connecting Center clients with capabilities and solve new or Assisting all 51 MEP Centers NIST lab expertise and resources emerging manufacturing problems
Manufacturing: 3D Printing of Soft Materials NIST





Developed new method of 3-D printing gels and other soft materials



New approach using shorter wavelengths and electrons can produce gels with finer detail



Work could lead to production of tiny medical devices

Illustration of a prospective biocompatible interface shows that hydrogels (green tubing), which can be generated by an electron or X-ray beam 3D printing process, act as artificial synapses or junctions, connecting neurons (brown) to electrodes (yellow). *Credit: A. Strelcov/NIST*

Smart Manufacturing Guidelines





Published a series of guidelines on deploying smart manufacturing systems using open, standards-based approaches

- Collecting, Curating, and Re-using manufacturing data
- Traceability and Trustworthiness of Manufacturing Data
- Industrial Wireless Deployments
- Demonstration Cases

Rapid Microbial Testing Method Consortium NIST



Credit: Pixabay

Launched with virtual workshop Sept 17, 2020, potential members invited to sign Letter of Intent



Will address shared needs such as measurements for microbial testing in regenerative medicine products



Will design interlaboratory studies to support best practices and standard methods

COVID-19 Measurements Update





SARS-CoV-2 Synthetic RNA Fragments Reference Grade Test Material



NIST has shipped **over 125** units of RGTM to customers in U.S. and abroad and collecting feedback from users



Initial user input shows material is stable and customer measurements in line with NIST's



CCQM Working Group on Nucleic Acid Analysis fast-tracked inter-laboratory study for SARS-CoV-2 measurement coordinated by NIST, LGC (UK), NIBSC (UK), and NIM China

Assays to Support COVID-19 Response: Serology NIST

NIST joining efforts with NIH, CDC, and FDA to study the immune response to COVID-19



ROI Initiative Progress Year 1.5





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



Lab-to-Market NSTC Subcommittee and CAP Goal continue to provide direction on implementation of findings



Nearing milestone completion for initial legislative and regulatory proposals!

ROI Progress: Stevenson-Wydler



Green Paper Findings Addressed in Proposed Legislation:

Finding 4	Copyright of Government Software	Current Status:
Finding 5	Proprietary Information	Finalizing LRM process with OMB. Delivery to Congressional Committees expected October 2020.
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	43

ROI Progress: Bayh-Dole



Green Paper Findings Addressed in Proposed Regulation:

Finding 1	Government Use Rights	Current Status: Responses to formal agency comments submitted to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Notice of Proposed Rule Making expected to be published November 2020.
Finding 2	March-In Rights	
Finding 8	Streamlined Partnership Mechanisms	
Finding 13	Federal IP Data and Reporting Systems	
Finding 15	Benchmarking and Metrics	

ROI Progress: Other Areas





NIST scoping MEP/Laboratory tech collaboratives project; L2M inclusive innovation ecosystem prize competition launched in collaboration with SBA



Interagency Edison system rebuild progressing on schedule (expected to launch in FY22); System tours for extramural users planned and user testing will begin shortly



T2 metrics definitions published for Federal Agencies; Model Data Listing for available federal technologies in development; National Academies study on data and digital products winding down (Feb '21 report)

Recent International Engagements



BIRD

Israel-U.S. Binational Industrial Research

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and Development Foundation



NIST provide its first online "hands on" lab training to over 30 SIM partners on Radiation thermometry

The BIRD Board of Governors met on October 13 to discuss the future of the foundation to ensure it continues to be a vibrant mechanism for U.S.-Israel cooperation on innovation.

NIST is working with UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) to finalize an MOU focused on Innovation and Commercialization Practices and other areas of mutual interest

The US-Australia JCM was held in August

- NIST's long history of cooperation with the Australian NMI was highlighted.
- Potential future exchanges and collaborations around QIS and AI were discussed.



Recent Awards







NIST scientists and staff continue to be recognized for their outstanding contributions

Donna Dodson -- Service to America Medal Winner Winnie Wong-Ng – Inducted into LSU Hall of Distinction



NIST Team wins Local Emmy for "Rethinking Manufacturing" video A full celebration of all NIST staff achievements will take place at the 2020 NIST Awards Ceremony

DISCUSSION

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