1st GENI Engineering Conference: NSF Welcome

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Talk Outline

- Welcome from Washington, D.C.!
- The NSF context
- GENI









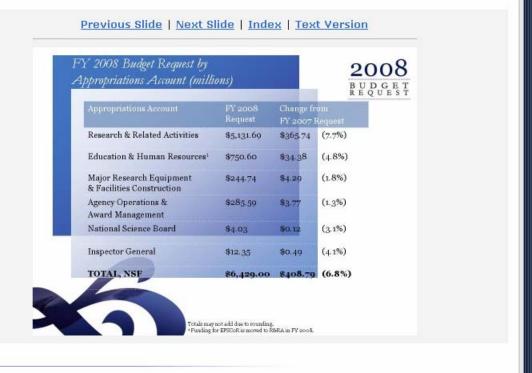




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NSF Mission

To promote the progress of science;

to advance the national health, prosperity, and welfare;

and to secure the national defense.

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NSF Strategic Plan FY 2006-2011: Investment Priorities

Discovery

- Promote transformational, multi-disciplinary research.
- Further US economic competitiveness.

Learning

- Develop methods to bridge critical junctures in STEM education pathways.
- Prepare a diverse, globally engaged STEM workforce.

Research Infrastructure

- Identify and support the next generation of large research facilities.
- Strengthen the nation's collaborative advantage by developing unique networks and innovative partnerships.

Stewardship

Improve our processes to recruit and select highly qualified reviewers and panelists. Previous Slide | Next Slide | Index | Text Version

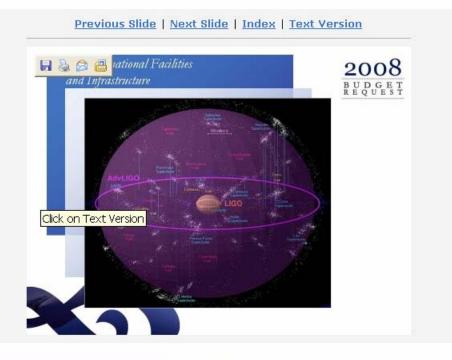




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CISE FY08 Budget Request

Currently on a Continuing Resolution

Total	\$574M
Discovery	\$480.12M
Learning	\$47.23M
Research	\$39.08M
Infrastructure	
Stewardship	\$7.57M

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PCAST Subcommittee on NIT Report, August 2007

- "...the most critical need is to rebalance the NITRD portfolio to include more long-term, large-scale, multidisciplinary NIT R&D and more visionary R&D."
- Technical priorities:
 - NIT Systems connected with the physical world cyber physical systems.
 - ◆ Software critical issues in design and development.
 - Digital data –long-term preservation, stewardship and availability of data important to science and technology.
 - Networking –ongoing effort to produce a Federal Plan for Advanced Networking Research and Development, upgrade the Internet, address network security and reliability.

Interagency Task Force on Advanced Networking (ITFAN)

- ITFAN was charged by Dr. Marburger, President's Science Advisor,
 Director OSTP in January 2007
- Interim report was made available for web comment in August 2007
- NIT Subcommittee Co-chair stated in a presentation on April 24, 2007 that:
 - "US leadership in advanced networking is a strategic national priority."
- The interim report reports on 4 advanced networking stretch goals for 2015:
 - Provide network services anytime, anywhere
 - Make secure, global networks possible
 - Manage network complexity and heterogeneity
 - Foster innovation through development of advanced network systems and technologies
- Final report is due in 2008.

GENI

- Risks
 - Yes! Technical, financial, organizational, and social
- Blind to them
 - No!
- GPO is currently engaged in risk reduction activities, which have been defined in the planning phase as development and prototyping (D&P) and outreach to potential experimenters
- GSC is engaging multiple communities in requirements generation, i.e., the Research and Education Plan
- What is the transformational science that will be done on GENI that has never been done before?

Important Message

- CISE is engaged in developing transformational infrastructure
 - Today, all CISE infrastructure projects are funded at about 6% of our total budget, which is small compared to some other Directorates like GEO and MPS
 - CISE, like other directorates, is urged to identify the next generation of facilities
 - CISE is asked to advance the science of networks
 - Our ability as a Nation -- to innovate, collaborate and compete in the future is tied up with the success of GENI

The Challenge of Working Across Boundaries



Adapted from Sara Kiesler's NSF CISE Distinguished Lecture June 12, 2003

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