The GPO is holding a pre-design optical workshop to provide a forum for broad community input regarding optical aspects of the GENI facility (see www.geni.net). This workshop will include reports on the following topics relevant to GENI:

- Cross-layer challenges by Prof. Keren Bergmen,
- Photonic integration trends by Prof. Tom Koch,
- Commercial optical research roadmap by Prof. Franko Kueppers,
- Optical edge architectures by Prof. Stoyan Radic,
- Topological opportunities for GENI by Dr. Ruth Ann Mullen

Workshop participants will have an opportunity to provide feedback and innovative ideas on these, and other, topics of interest. The workshop will encourage interaction between optical experts and experts from the computer science and networking communities. A senior panel will convene at the end of the day to help tie together conclusions and identify areas for further development as part of the GPO substrate working group.

Workshop date and time: September 25, 2007 from 9:30 am- 4:30 pm.

This workshop will now be held at <u>NSF</u> in Washington D.C. NSF is only 3 miles away from the previous location. The facility is located at:

<u>NSF</u> room: 120 4201 Wilson Blvd Arlington, VA 22230 (703) 292-5111

The following link is a map of the area:

http://maps.google.com/maps?hl=en&ie=UTF8&q=nsf&near=Washington,+DC&f=d&d addr=4201+Wilson+Blvd,+Arlington,+VA+22230&ll=38.87997,-77.110865&spn=0.007876,0.013475&z=17&om=1

From BBN, the previous location, to NSF, take the orange line from Rosslyn to Ballston. **The nearest metro stop to NSF**:

- Orange Line-Ballston- MU Station
- Head West on N Fairfax Dr/VA-237 W
- Turn left at N Stuart St
- Turn left at Wilson BLVD
- NSF is located at 4201 Wilson Blvd

If an overnight stay is required, the following nearby hotels may have availability: Holiday Inn:

http://www.ichotelsgroup.com/h/d/hi/1/en/hotel/waswp

Hyatt Regency Hotel: http://arlington.hyatt.com/hyatt/hotels/index.jsp