

Contact Person: Dr. Gary Strong, Acting Deputy Division Director, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, (703) 306-1928.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate Robotics and Human Augmentation Program, "Robotics Panel" proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information, financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matter are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

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M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Special Emphasis Panel in Research, Evaluation and Communication; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Special Emphasis Panel in Research, Evaluation and Communication.

Date and Time: February 9-10, 1998, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm; February 12-13, 1998; 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Place: Rooms 365, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. Nora Sabelli, Senior Program Director, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 855, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone (703) 306-1651.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate proposals and provide advice and recommendations as part of the selection process for proposals submitted to the Research on Education, Policy and Practice (REPP) Program.

Reason for Closing: Because the proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with proposals, the meetings are closed to the public. These matters are within

exemptions (4) and (6) of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), Government in the Sunshine Act.

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Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Special Emphasis Panel in Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences; Notice of Meetings

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces that the Special Emphasis Panel in Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences will be holding panel meetings for the purpose of reviewing proposals submitted to the Division of International Programs for the Summer Programs in Japan and Korea. In order to review the large volume of proposals, panel meetings will be held on February 2-3, 1998. All meetings will be closed to the public and will be held at the National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Va. from 8:30 to 5:00 each day.

Contact Person: Randall Soderquist, Program Manager, or Thomasina Edwards, Program Assistant, Division of International Programs, NSF, Room 935, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230 (703) 306-1701.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information, financial data such as salaries, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

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Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Regulatory Information Conference; Notice of Meeting

SUMMARY: The objectives of the conference are to give the licensees and the public insights into our approach to safety regulations and to provide a forum for feedback from those in attendance on their concerns about our overall approach, as well as, feedback on differences that may exist on technical issues. NRC staff will provide

information regarding on-going programs and potential new initiatives as a basis for discussion.

Discussions will proceed from general (*i.e.*, the plenary sessions) to specific issues (*i.e.*, the breakout sessions), with emphasis on plant operations and the NRC view of these operations based on experience in carrying out its regulatory mission. Three plenary sessions are planned, two of which will be followed by breakout sessions that will include presentations by the NRC staff and industry representatives.

DATES: Conference will be held April 14 and 15, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The conference will be held at The Capital Hilton Hotel, 16th and K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036
TELEPHONE: (202) 393-1000 **FAX** (202) 639-5742 (Refer to NRC Meeting for special conference rate.)

FOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION CONTACT: ES, Inc., by facsimile on (202) 835-0118 or by phone on (202) 835-1585, *after January 20, 1998.*

Participation

This conference is open to the general public; however, advance registration is required by *March 23, 1998*. The following is the preliminary program for the conference:

Tuesday, April 14, 1998

Opening: 8:30 a.m.—8:45 a.m.

Welcome—Samuel J. Collins,

Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, NRC

Morning Speaker: Chairman Shirley Ann Jackson

8:45 a.m.—9:15 a.m.

Morning Plenary Session: 9:15 a.m.—10:00 a.m.

Regulatory Trends—Samuel J. Collins
Mid-Morning Speaker: Commissioner Nils J. Diaz

10:15 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

Mid-Morning Plenary Session: 11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Regional Administrators' Panel: Each Regional Administrator will make a presentation on a topic of current interest.

Post Luncheon Speaker: Commissioner Greta J. Dicus

1:15 p.m.—1:45 p.m.

Breakout Sessions 2:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m.

1. Restructuring and Deregulation
2. Architect/Engineer Inspections
3. Maintenance Rule

4. Public Communications Initiatives

Breakout Sessions 3:45 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

1. Allegations/Enforcement Issues
2. Probabilistic Risk Assessment Issues
3. The Role of Industry
4. Role of Potassium Iodide in