

Program Phase I, NSF Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Program Phase I, and NSF SBIR/STTR Fast Track Pilot Pre-Submission Project Pitch Form.

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Abstract: The NSF Small Business Innovation Research Program (SBIR)Phase I, Small Business Technology Transfer Program (STTR) Phase I, and SBIR/STTR Fast-Track Pilot Project Pitch is an NSF SBIR/STTR pre-submission process that conveys information needed to direct the proposed SBIR/STTR project to the appropriate NSF Program Director (PD) for review and possible proposal submission invitation. The Project Pitch is to be submitted by the applying small business concern (as “proposer”) to the relevant NSF SBIR/STTR Phase I or Fast-Track Pilot technology topic. The Project Pitch outlines solicitation specific aspects of the project (such as the proposed technology innovation) and captures the same requested information, as outlined in the NSF SBIR/STTR Phase I and Fast-Track

Program solicitations, but all within one secure, web-based form. Specifically, the form collects the submitting proposer company and team information, the proposed technology innovation; the technical objectives and challenges, and the market opportunity. The form also allows the proposer to choose (from a drop-down menu) the most relevant NSF SBIR/STTR Phase I and Fast-Track Pilot technical topic area, ensuring that the submitted Project Pitch goes to the most appropriate Program Director. For the SBIR/STTR Fast-Track Pilot submission, the Project Pitch encompasses the same questions as outlined in the Phase I Project Pitch but also seeks responses to three key eligibility requirements: NSF lineage, customer-discovery experience, and confirmation that the team members are currently employed by the company. These requirements expand on the details of the previously required information on the proposed technology innovation, the market opportunity, and the company and team, respectively.

Respondents: The respondents are typically Principal Investigators (PIs) at universities, founders, co-founders, and/

or other key personnel of the small businesses. The data collection burden to the applicants will be between 1–2 hours of the respondents’ time in each instance.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 18,000–23,000.

Burden on the Public: The overall annualized cost to the respondents is estimated to be between \$954,000 and 2,438,000. The following table shows the annualized estimate of costs to PIs who are generally university professors. This estimated hourly rate is based on a report from the American Association of University Professors, “Annual Report on the Economic Status of the Profession, 2022–23,” *Academe*, March–April 2021, Survey Report Table 1. According to this report—<https://www.aaup.org/file/ARES-2022-23.pdf>, the average salary of an associate professor across all types of doctoral-granting institutions (public, private-independent, religiously affiliated) was \$110,945. When divided by the number of standard annual work hours (2,080), this calculates to approximately \$53 per hour.

Respondent type	Number of responses	Burden hours per respondent	Average hourly rate	Estimated annual cost
PIs,(co-) Founders, Business Partners	18,000–23,000	1–2	\$53	\$954,000–\$2,438,000

Dated: September 30, 2025.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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Registration for the virtual meeting can be accessed via the following link:

https://nsf.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_I9LU4lOfTcK99mJiWJW49Q.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Dr. Jacqueline Keane, Program Director, Division of Astronomical Sciences, Suite W 9147, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314; Telephone: 703–292–8123.

Purpose of Meeting: To hear presentations of current programming by representatives from NSF, NASA, DOE and other agencies relevant to astronomy and astrophysics; to discuss current and potential areas of cooperation between the agencies; to formulate recommendations for continued and new areas of cooperation and mechanisms for achieving them.

Agenda: To provide updates on Agency activities and to discuss the Committees draft annual report due 15 March 2026.

Dated: September 30, 2025.

Crystal Robinson,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

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

Name and Committee Code:

Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee (13883) (Virtual).

Date and Time: November 7, 2025; 10 a.m.–5:30 p.m. eastern time.

Place: NSF, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314 (Virtual).

Members and the public may attend this meeting virtually via Zoom. Attendance information for the meeting will be forthcoming on the AAAC website: <https://www.nsf.gov/mps/ast/aaac.jsp>.

POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. CP2024–265; CP2024–485; K2025–667; K2025–834; MC2025–1723 and K2025–1714; MC2025–1724 and K2025–1715; MC2025–1725 and K2025–1716; MC2025–1726 and K2025–1717; MC2025–1727 and K2025–1718; MC2025–1728 and K2025–1719; MC2025–1729 and K2025–1720; MC2025–1730 and K2025–1721; MC2025–1731 and K2025–1722; MC2025–1733 and K2025–1724; MC2025–1734 and K2025–1725]

New Postal Products

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission. ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recent Postal Service filing for the Commission’s consideration concerning a negotiated service agreement. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.