

**INNOVATION CORPS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**

Advisory Committee Charter

- 1. Committee's Official Designation** Advisory Committee for Innovation Corps (the Committee) #80463
- 2. Authority** This Committee is established in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C., App. and the National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §1861 et. seq.
- 3. Objective and Scope of Activities** The Committee will provide advice to the National Science Foundation (NSF) on the direction, development, and enhancement of the Innovation Corps (I-Corps) program. The I-Corps program creates an opportunity to assess the readiness of emerging technology concepts and research results that show the immediate potential for broader applicability and impact. These results may be translated into valuable new technologies and products with near-term benefits to business, the economy and society. Specialized guidance may be addressed through the use of subcommittees, task groups or committees of visitors (COVs) within the structure of the Committee.
- 4. Description of Duties** The Committee will provide advice and perspectives on the strategic direction of the program. The Committee will provide an important source of input for creating ways to bring together technological, entrepreneurial, and business know-how to bring discoveries ripe for innovation out of the university labs. The Committee may advise on current best practices, and on possible future ways of strengthening a national innovation ecosystem.
- 5. Official to Whom the Committee Reports** The Committee reports to the Director, National Science Foundation.
- 6. Agency Responsible for Providing the Necessary Support** The National Science Foundation will be responsible for financial and administrative support.
- 7. Estimated Annual Operating Costs and Staff Years** The estimated annual operating cost of the Committee is about \$82,000 that includes about \$42,000 in staff support costs. Staff support is approximately .3 person-years.
- 8. Designated Federal Officer** A full-time or permanent part-time NSF employee will serve as the Designated Federal Officer (DFO). The DFO will approve or call Committee and subcommittee meetings, prepare and approve meeting agendas, attend committee meetings, and adjourn any meeting when the DFO determines adjournment to be in the public interest. The Senior Advisor for Strategic Initiatives in the Office of the Director will serve as DFO. Alternate DFOs may be appointed.
- 9. Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings** The Committee will typically meet 2-3 times a year. Subcommittees may have additional meetings.
- 10. Duration** It is expected that the Committee will continue indefinitely with renewals of the charter every two years as required under FACA.

11. Termination The committee is subject to biennial review and will terminate 2 years from the date the charter is filed, unless the charter is renewed in accordance with Section 14 of the FACA.

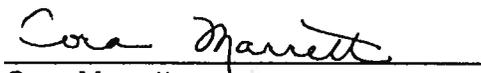
12. Memberships and Designation The Committee is composed of approximately 10 members. Members are selected for a term of three years, which may be renewed at the discretion of the NSF.

Members are selected to achieve a balance of viewpoints which may include expertise in higher education and academic research, and technological, entrepreneurial, and business management. It is anticipated that members will be comprised of Special Government Employees (SGE) and Regular Government Employees (RGE).

13. Subcommittees NSF may form subcommittees for any purpose consistent with this charter. Such subcommittees may not work independently and must report their recommendation and advice to the full committee for full deliberation and discussion.

14. Recordkeeping The records of the Committee shall be handled according to section 2, General Records Schedule 26 and the applicable agency records disposition schedule.

15. Certification This Committee is determined to be necessary and in the public interest.


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