

ATP 2007 Competition

NIST's Advanced Technology Program (ATP) announces that it will hold a single fiscal year 2007 ATP competition and is soliciting proposals for financial assistance. ATP also announces that it will hold public meetings (Proposers' Conferences) for all interested parties.

ATP provides cost-shared multi-year funding to single companies and to industry-led joint ventures to accelerate the development and dissemination of challenging, high risk technologies with the potential for significant commercial payoffs and widespread benefits for the nation. This unique government-industry partnership aids companies in accelerating the development of emerging or enabling technologies that lead to revolutionary new products and industrial processes and services that can compete in rapidly changing world markets. ATP challenges the research and development (R&D) community to take on higher technical risk with commensurately higher potential payoffs for the nation than they would otherwise pursue.

ATP is soliciting proposals in all technology areas as well as the following four broad Crosscutting Areas of National Interest: 1) Technologies for Advanced and Complex Systems, 2) Challenges in Advanced Materials and Devices, 3) 21st Century Manufacturing, and 4) Nanotechnology. Details regarding these four broad Crosscutting Areas of National Interest are included in the Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) announcement available at <http://www.grants.gov>.

Proposal Submission Deadline

The due date for submission of all proposals is 3 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday, May 21, 2007. This deadline applies to any mode of proposal submission, including hand-delivery, courier, express mailing, and electronic. Do not wait until the last minute to submit a proposal. ATP will not make any allowances for late submissions, including incomplete Grants.gov registration.

Submission Process

Proposals must be submitted to ATP as follows:

Paper submission: Send to National Institute of Standards and Technology, Advanced Technology Program, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 4701, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-4701.

Electronic submission: www.grants.gov.

For Further Information Contact: Barbara Lambis at 301-975-4447 or by e-mail at barbara.lambis@nist.gov.

Additional Information

The full FFO announcement for this request for proposals is available at <http://www.grants.gov>. <http://www.atp.nist.gov/atp/helpful.htm>. To request a copy of the April 2007 ATP Proposal Preparation Kit submit an electronic request at <http://www.atp.nist.gov/atp/atpform.htm> or call ATP at 1-800-ATP-FUND (1-800-287-3863). The Kit is also available at <http://www.atp.nist.gov/atp/helpful.htm>. Note that ATP is mailing the Kit to all individuals whose names are currently on the ATP mailing list. Those individuals need not contact ATP to request a copy. For general information, contact ATP at 1-800-ATP-FUND (1-800-287-3863) or visit our website at www.atp.nist.gov.

ATP Notice of Public Meetings

ATP is holding five public meetings (Proposers' Conferences) around the country. These public meetings provide general information regarding the program, tips on preparing proposals, and the opportunity for questions and answers. Proprietary technical or business discussions about specific project ideas with NIST staff are not permitted at these conferences or at any time before submitting the proposal to ATP. Therefore, you should not expect to have proprietary issues addressed at proposers' conferences. NIST/ATP staff will not critique proprietary project ideas while they are being developed by a proposer. However, NIST/ATP staff will, at any time, answer questions that you may have about our project selection criteria, selection process, eligibility requirements, cost-sharing requirements, and the general characteristics of a competitive ATP proposal.

ATP Proposers' Conferences are being held **from 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.** local time on the following dates and locations:

April 13, 2007: NIST Red Auditorium, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, MD (301-975-2776)

April 16, 2007: Hyatt Regency Dearborn Fairlane Town Center, Dearborn, Detroit, MI (313-593-1234)

April 18, 2007: Hyatt Harborside at Boston's Logan International Airport, 101 Harborside Drive, Boston, MA (617-568-1234)

April 18, 2007: Los Angeles Airport Marriott, 5855 West Century Blvd., Los Angeles, CA (310-641-5700)

April 20, 2007: Hilton Austin Airport, 9515 Hotel Drive, Austin, TX (512-385-6767)

No registration fee will be charged. Presentation materials from proposers' conferences will be made available on the ATP website.

Pre-registration Required By April 9, 2007 for all Proposers' Conferences as follows:

NIST Gaithersburg Conference: Due to increased security at NIST, **NO on-site registrations** will be accepted and all attendees **MUST** be pre-registered. Photo identification must be presented at the NIST main gate to be admitted to the April 13, 2007 conference. Attendees must wear their conference badge at all times while on the NIST campus. Same day registration will be allowed at the other locations.

Electronic Registration: At <https://rproxy.nist.gov/CRS/>. Please select the ATP Proposers' Conference and appropriate data to register for the meeting of your choice.

Telephone Registration: Call 301-975-2776.

Fax Registration: Fill out your contact information, select meeting date below and fax to 301-948-2067.

Select Meeting(s)

- April 13, 2007 in Gaithersburg, MD
- April 16, 2007 in Detroit, MI
- April 18, 2007 in Boston, MA
- April 18, 2007 in Los Angeles, CA
- April 20, 2007 in Austin, TX

NOTE: To register for a room, please contact the hotel of your choice directly.

Please provide the information below for fax registration:

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