



Interagency Coordination of Biometrics and Forensic RDT&E

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OSTP Responsibilities

- Science and technology for policy
 - Independent and objective advice for the President and EOP regarding the S&T aspects of all policy issues
- Policy for science and technology
 - Analysis, recommendations, and coordination (in concert with other elements of the EOP) on R&D budgets and related policies



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National Science and Technology Council

- Established in 1993 via Executive Order 12881
- Nominally chaired by the President; Members are cabinet officials
 - In practice: led by OSTP Director; members are Deputy or Under-Secretaries of Departments and independent agencies
- Principal Function: To coordinate the federal science and technology (S&T) policy making process
 - Interagency coordination of high priority S&T topics
 - Establish clear national goals for federal S&T investments
 - Coordinate interagency S&T activities



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National Science and Technology Council

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND SUSTAINABILITY (CENRS)		
AQR: Air Quality Research (SC)	PROPOSED: NRC: International on Climate Information & Services (IRIS)	SWAQ: Water Availability & Quality (SC)
CSMCS: Critical & Strategic Mineral Supply Chains (SC)	DR: Disaster Reduction (SC)	T&R: Toxics & Risk (SC)
IMPACT: IAGPC: Interagency Arctic Research Policy Coordination (IRIS)	SES: Ecological Services (SC)	USGE: U.S. Group on Earth Observations (SC)
PROPOSED: ISE: Integration of Science and Technology for Sustainability (IT)	GGC: Global Change Research (SC)	
NEO: National Earth Observations (TF)	SOST: Ocean Science & Technology (SC)	
COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND & NATIONAL SECURITY (CHNS)		
CDRD: Chemical Defense Research and Development (SC)	HS SAT: Homeland Security SAT Policy (TF)	PROPOSED: ECST: International Science, Engineering & Technology (SC)
D-IED: Domestic IEDs (SC)	SOS-CBRNE Standards (SC)	
BDRD: Biological Defense Research & Development (SC)	ISC: Infrastructure (SC)	
HFNSE: Human Factors for Homeland & National Security (SC)	NRDR: Nuclear Defense Research & Development (SC)	
COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE (CoS)		
DOWG: Digital Data (IWG)	PASP: Public Access to Scholarly Publications (TF)	SSE: Social, Behavioral, and Economic Science (SC)
LSSC: Life Science (SC)	PPSC: Physical Science (SC)	SoSF: Forensic Science (L&E)
COMMITTEE ON STEM EDUCATION (CoSTEM)		
FC-STEM: Federal Coordination in STEM Education (TF)	FI-STEM: Federal Investment in STEM Education (TFAC)	
COMMITTEE ON TECHNOLOGY (CoT)		
AITS: Aeronautics Science & Technology (SC)	AM: Advanced Manufacturing (IWG)	SG: Smart Grid (SC)
BiM: Biometrics & Identity Management (SC)	NET: Networking & Information Technology Research (SC)	SoS: Standards (SC)
BTRD: Building Technology Research & Development (SC)	NSET: Nanoscale Science Engineering & Technology (SC)	TFSD: Smart Disclosure (TF)
HFC: Hydrogen & Fuel Cells (IWG)	PI: Privacy & Internet Policy (SC)	

- Committee on Science
 - Subcommittee on Forensic Science
- Committee on Technology
 - Subcommittee on Biometrics and Identity Management



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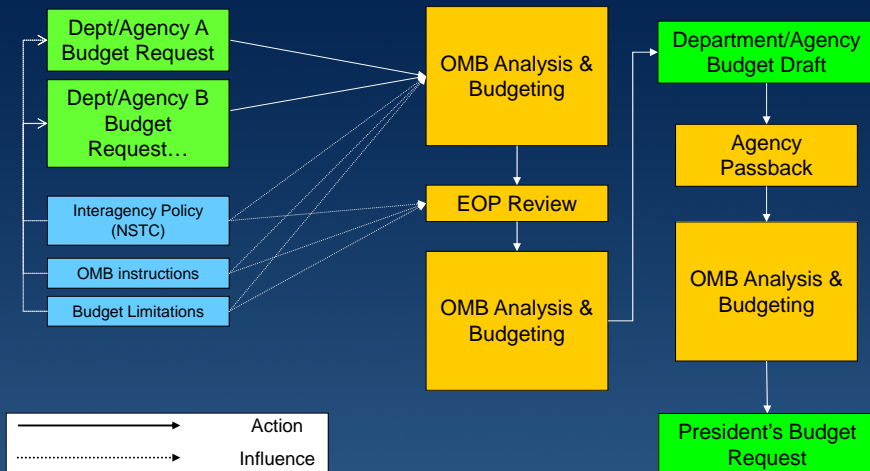
General RDT&E Coordination Approach

- Identify and prioritize capability gaps
- Assess RDT&E community's plans and capabilities
- Identify and prioritize RDT&E priorities
 - These are usually published
- Coordinate federal RDT&E activities
 - Partnering with the private sector



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EOP Budget Review (RDT&E)



Introduction to BIdM SC

Membership

- Department of Commerce
- Department of Defense
- Department of Health and Human Services
- Department of Homeland Security
- Department of Justice
- Department of State
- Department of Transportation
- Department of Treasury
- Executive Office of the President
- General Services Administration
- Intelligence Community
- National Science Foundation
- Social Security Administration

Working Groups

- Research, Development, Testing & Evaluation
- Standards
- Privacy and Civil Liberties
- Outreach and Communication
- Interoperability (transitioned to NSS)

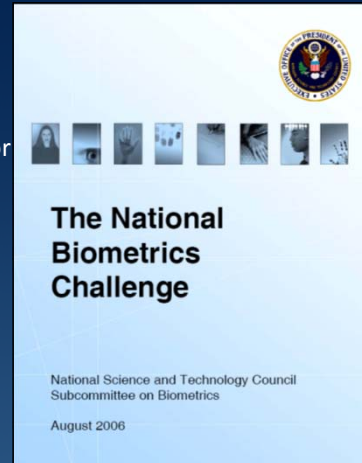


NSTC Subcommittee on Biometrics and IdM

Phase I 2002-2003	Phase 2 2003-2006	Phase 3 2006-2009	Phase 3 2009-Present
<p><u>Goals:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research needs, capabilities, and plans • Grow USG biometrics expertise • Build relationships <p><u>Deliverables</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • List of topics for potential collaboration • Initiate joint RDT&E efforts 	<p><u>Goals:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advance technology, privacy & communications • Implement biometric systems • Build relationships <p><u>Deliverables</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joint RDT&E topics • <i>The National Biometrics Challenge</i> • Foundational documents • Privacy paper & websites 	<p><u>Goals:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USG-wide biometric system of systems • Mature/stable biometrics community • Expansion to IdM <p><u>Deliverables</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interoperable Systems • USG-wide plans for standards, RDT&E, privacy & communications • Enhanced operational capabilities • Long-term IdM strategy 	<p><u>Goals:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transition operational identity activities • Reassess needs, capabilities and plans for next generation activities <p><u>Deliverables</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The National Biometrics Challenge, v2.</i> • Updated Standards Registry and foundational documents

The National Biometrics Challenge

- Released in August 2006;
 - Update planned for 2011
- Dual purpose
 - Outreach mechanism for private sector RDT&E Community
 - Federal policy on biometric RDT&E priorities
- Identifies driving forces and common technical challenges.
- Additional prioritization of challenges into four bins
 - Highest priority bin:
 - ~1/3 of challenges
 - ~4/5 of federal funding



Introduction to SoFS

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- Department of Commerce
- Department of Defense
- Department of Health and Human Services
- Department of Homeland Security
- Department of the Interior
- Department of Justice
- Department of Treasury
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Office of the Federal Public Defender
- National Institutes of Health
- National Science Foundation
- National Transportation Safety Board
- United States Postal Service

Working Groups

- Research, Development, Testing & Evaluation
- Standards, Practices, and Protocols
- Accreditation and Certification
- Education, Ethics, and Terminology
- Outreach and Communication

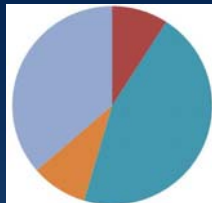


SoFS RDT&E Activities

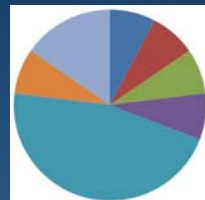
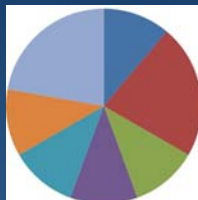
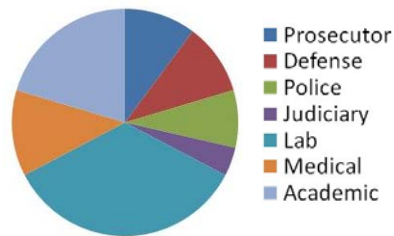
- Conducting discipline-specific literature reviews to support gap analyses
 - What are the foundational principles which support the scientific basis of each discipline?
 - What research exists which can be specifically mapped back to those principles?
- NSF Cognitive Bias and Forensic Science Workshop sponsored by NSF
 - Sept. 23-24, 2010
 - <http://www.law.northwestern.edu/faculty/conferences/workshops/cognitivebias>



State & Local Membership on Interagency Working Groups



Overall Totals	
Prosecutor	5
Defense	5
Police	4
Judiciary	2
Lab	17
Medical	6
Academic	10
TOTAL	49



Summary

- Biometrics and forensics are important areas whose RDT&E activities are being coordinated via the NSTC
- Relationship between DoD and NSTC activities are intertwined
 - DoD needs are an important input into the NSTC process
 - NSTC policies impact and support DoD budgets and plans
- More information:
 - Biometrics: www.biometrics.gov
 - Forensic Science: www.forensicscience.gov

