

26th NSF EPSCoR National Conference October 27-30, 2019
Science and Partnerships Across Disciplinary Boundaries
 Columbia, SC

Sunday, October 27 Welcome Reception and Dinner

5:30 – 8:30 pm	<p>Welcome Reception and Dinner More details</p> <p><i>Columbia Museum of Art, 1515 Main Street</i> Shuttle will be provided between the art museum and conference hotels.</p>
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Monday, October 28 Conference Day 1

7:00 – 8:00 am	<p>Continental breakfast, Registration, Poster Set up <i>Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center (CMCC)</i></p>
8:00 – 8:15 am	<p>Welcome Address More details</p> <p>Loretta Moore, NSF EPSCoR Director Prakash Nagarkatti, Vice President for Research, University of South Carolina Bob Caslen, President, University of South Carolina</p> <p><i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>
8:15 – 8:45 am	<p>26th EPSCoR Conference Plenary Address More details</p> <p>Kelvin Droegemeier, Director, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy and Science Advisor to the President of the United States</p> <p><i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>
8:45 – 9:30 am	<p>26th EPSCoR Conference Keynote Address: Engineering Matter on Demand: Solving Grand Challenges through Convergent Research More details</p> <p>Sharon Glotzer, Anthony C. Lembke Department Chair of Chemical Engineering, University of Michigan</p> <p><i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>
9:30 – 10:30 am	<p>Lightning Talks: RII Track-1 and RII Track-2 recipients will give a three-minute/one-slide talk summarizing their RII Track-1 or RII Track-2 topic More details</p> <p><i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>
10:30 – 10:45 am	<p>Networking Break</p>

10:45 am – noon	<p>Breakout Session: Best practices for collaborations among institutions within EPSCoR states and cross-jurisdictional partnerships More details</p> <p>Jerzy Leszczynski, Professor of Chemistry and President's Distinguished Fellow, Jackson State University Kristin Bowman-James, University of Kansas Distinguished Professor and Kansas EPSCoR State Director</p> <p><i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>	<p>Breakout Session: Evaluating transdisciplinary research practice and quality More details</p> <p>Caroline Szymeczek, President of Integrated Learning Innovations, Inc.</p> <p><i>Richland Room, lower level</i></p>	<p>Student Session: Best practices for building a professional network More details</p> <p>Laurie Bragg, Project Administrator and Program and Outreach Manager, Maine EPSCoR</p> <p><i>Lexington Room, lower level</i></p>
noon – 1:00 pm	Lunch at CMCC		
1:00 – 2:00 pm	<p>Lightning Talks: RII Track-1 and RII Track-2 recipients will give a three-minute/one-slide talk summarizing their RII Track-1 or RII Track-2 topic More details</p> <p><i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>		
2:00 – 3:00 pm	<p>Poster Session: RII Track-2 and RII Track-4 recipients, students and postdocs More details</p> <p><i>Exhibit Hall, lower level</i></p>		
3:00 – 3:15 pm	Networking Break		
3:15 – 4:15 pm	<p>Panel Discussion: Broadening participation of women and underrepresented minorities in STEM More details</p> <p>James E. Clark, President, South Carolina State University Sonia Bartolomei-Suárez, Professor of Industrial Engineering, University of Puerto Rico at Mayagüez College of Engineering Overtoun Jenda, Assistant Provost for Special Projects and Initiatives and Professor of Mathematics, Auburn University Camille McKayle, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, University of the Virgin Islands Tarissa Spoonhunter, American Indian Studies Professor, Central Wyoming College</p> <p><i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>		

4:15 – 5:00 pm	<p>Workshop: Best practices for improving underrepresented minority student persistence in STEM More details</p> <p>Christine Grant, Associate Dean of Faculty Advancement and Professor of Chemical Engineering, North Carolina State University College of Engineering <i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>	<p>Breakout Session: Importance of mentoring to increase diversity in STEM More details</p> <p>Rafael Luna, Associate Dean and Director of Gateway Program for Scholars in STEM, Boston College <i>Richland Room, lower level</i></p>	<p>Student Session: How to write winning grant proposals More details</p> <p>Gisele Muller-Parker, NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program Director (retired) <i>Lexington Room, lower level</i></p>
5:00 pm	Take down posters; dinner on your own		

Tuesday, October 29 Conference Day 2

7:30 – 8:30 am	Continental breakfast at CMCC, Poster Set up		
8:30 – 9:00 am	<p>Speaker: Public-private partnerships leading to economic competitiveness More details</p> <p>Tony Boccanfuso, President of the University Industry Demonstration Partnership <i>Richland Room, lower level</i></p>	<p>Speaker: Communicating EPSCoR research to a wider audience More details</p> <p>Erika Check Hayden, Director of the Science Communication Program at the University of California, Santa Cruz <i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>	
9:00 – 10:15 am	<p>Panel Discussion: Public-private partnerships in driving innovation More details</p> <p>Dirk Brown, McNair Institute for Entrepreneurism and Free Enterprise Clinical Assistant Professor of Management, University of South Carolina Chris Lawson, Executive Director of Alabama EPSCoR and Director of the Alabama Graduate Research Scholars Program, University of Alabama at Birmingham Tom Chilton, Director Technology Development, Arkansas Economic Development Commission Deb Hamernik, Associate Dean of Agricultural Research Division and Professor of Reproductive Physiology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln <i>Richland Room, lower level</i></p>	<p>Panel Discussion: Communicating science online and through social media platforms More details</p> <p>Tom Moran, Alaska EPSCoR Communications Manager Kaitlyn Park, Manager, University of South Carolina Social Media Insights Lab Sid Salter, Chief Communications Officer, Mississippi State University Antony Williams, Chemist, National Center for Computational Toxicology, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency <i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>	
10:15 – 10:30 am	Break		

10:30 – 11:45 am	<p>Breakout Session: Best practices for intellectual property development, commercialization, and faculty/student Startups More details</p> <p>Douglas Maughan, Office Head of the NSF Convergence Accelerator Ian McClure, Executive Director of the Office of Technology Commercialization, University of Kentucky</p> <p><i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>	<p>Workshop: How to write a competitive Partnerships for Innovation, Small Business Innovation Research or Small Business Technology Transfer applications More details</p> <p>Jesus Soriano Molla, Program Director of the National Science Foundation’s Partnerships for Innovation</p> <p><i>Richland Room, lower level</i></p>	<p>EOD Workshop: Effective practices in community engagement More details</p> <p>Emily Vercoe, Wyoming EPSCoR Education, Outreach and Diversity Coordinator John Kaup, Education and Outreach (K-12) Director, South Carolina EPSCoR Selena Connealy, Education and Outreach Manager, New Mexico EPSCoR Kim Wingo, Director of Education, Outreach, Recruiting & Student Programs, University of Southern Mississippi Yolanda Williams-Bey, Delaware EPSCoR Education Program Manager Barb Bruno, Hawai’i EPSCoR Education Director</p> <p><i>Congaree Room, lower level</i></p>	<p>Student Session: Publishing in high impact journals More details</p> <p>Phillipa Benson, Managing Editor, <i>Science Advances</i> magazine</p> <p><i>Lexington Room, lower level</i></p>
11:45 – 1:00 pm	Lunch at CMCC			
1:00 – 2:00 pm	<p>Poster Session: RII Track-2 and RII Track-4 recipients, students and postdocs More details</p> <p><i>Exhibit Hall, lower level</i></p>			
2:00 – 2:30 pm	<p>Speaker: Crossing boundaries with big data More details</p> <p>Bill Michener, New Mexico EPSCoR Director and Professor and Director of e-Science Initiatives, University of New Mexico College of University Libraries & Learning Sciences</p> <p><i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>			

2:30 – 3:45 pm	<p>Breakout Session: Challenges of big data storage, transfer and management More details</p> <p>Jill Gemmill, Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Clemson University Gwen Jacobs, Hawai'i EPSCoR Program Director and Director of Cyberinfrastructure, University of Hawai'i System</p> <p><i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>	<p>Breakout Session: Transdisciplinary approaches of convergence in big data analytics More details</p> <p>Xiaoming Huo, A. Russell Chandler III Professor of Industrial Systems and Engineering at the Georgia Institute of Technology Brent Ewers, Professor of Botany at the University of Wyoming</p> <p><i>Richland Room, lower level</i></p>	<p>Student Session: Careers within and outside of academia More details</p> <p>Karina Liles, Claflin University Jeppie Compton, EPSCoR National Project Manager at NASA Kennedy Space Center Katrina Harmon, Organogenesis Lester Morales, NASA Kennedy Space Center Academic Engagement Officer</p> <p><i>Lexington Room, lower level</i></p>
3:45 – 4:00 pm	Break		
4:00 – 5:00 pm	<p>Conference Evaluation: The Evolution of the field of Program Evaluation (50 years in 20 minutes) and what this means for EPSCoR More details</p> <p>Glenn Page, Sustainametrix</p> <p><i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i></p>		
5:00 pm	Adjourn; Take down posters		
5:30 – 8:30 pm	<p>Closing Reception and Dinner More details</p> <p><i>Pastides Alumni Center at the University of South Carolina, 900 Senate Street (The Alumni Center is directly across the street from the CMCC.)</i></p>		

Wednesday, October 30 PD/PA/EOD Meeting

7:30 – 8:30 am	Breakfast buffet at CMCC		
8:30 – 9:45 am	NSF EPSCoR Updates More details Loretta Moore , NSF EPSCoR Director Jeremy Leffler , Outreach Specialist, NSF Division of Institution and Award Support Policy Office <i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i>		
9:45 – 10:00 am	Break		
10:00 – 11:30 am	Project Director Meeting <i>Columbia Ballroom, upper level</i>	Project Administrators Best Practices Session <i>Lincoln Room, upper level</i>	Education, Outreach, and Diversity Officer Best Practices Sessions <i>Senate Room, upper level</i>
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	Report out from breakout sessions		
12:00 pm	Lunch at CMCC for PD/PA/EOD attendees		
PD/PA/EOD session adjourned			