I/UCRC for Embedded Systems (CES) IAB Meeting February 2-3, 2015 I/UCRC Program

Welcome to the Industry / University Cooperative Research Centers



The I/UCRC Program – an update



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The Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers (I/UCRC) Program

Mission:

- To contribute to the nation's research infrastructure base by developing longterm partnerships among industry, academe and government
- To leverage NSF funds with industry to support graduate students performing industrially relevant research

Vision:

• To expand the innovation capacity of our nation's competitive workforce through partnerships between industries and universities





40 years of fostering long-term partnerships among industry and academe based on shared value





I/UCRC Fast Facts – FY14 Snapshot 52 ENG Funded Centers 25 CISE Funded Centers



6 International Sites: Belgium, China, Finland, Germany, India, Russia

Program Funding

- \$20M in Program Funding (ENG, CISE)
- 6:1 Leveraging of NSF funds

Students

- Over 2000 students engaged
- 649 graduated in 2014, nearly 30% hired by members Sustainability
- Over 40 Graduated I/UCRCs remain in operation true to model





I/UCRC Nucleus: A Cooperatively Defined, Funded & Shared Research Portfolio





Requires trust be built in the model, and between all partners in the center.

I/UCRCs Fast Facts (FY14)

Members:

Center



Centers Nationally:

- 77 Centers with 216 Sites
- **Over 1100 Members:** 60% Large Business, 20% SB, 10% Federal Members, ~10% (State + Others)

Total Funding:

6:1 Leveraging of Program funds 47:1 Leveraging of each membership



Average Number of faculty and researcher involved per center: 18



What is WindSTAR's strategy to get to these numbers?

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Additional Funding Opportunities for I/UCRCs

Supplements

Collaborative Research Between I/UCRCs (CORBI)

I/UCRC Innovation Fellows (IIF)

Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU)

Research Experience for Teachers (RET)

Veterans Research Supplement (VRS)

Innovation Managing Director (IMD)

SBIR / STTR Phase II (memberships)

Fundamental Research Program (FRP)



Federal Government Interagency Exchange of Funds (IAA)/ Military Interdepartmental Purchase Requests (MIPR)

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Dear Colleague Letter: I/UCRC Clusters for Grand Challenges

Two or more existing I/UCRCs

leverage each other's expertise, research results, resources and existing networks and partnerships to establish a **cross-center cluster**

and **team up** with Engineering Research Centers (ERCs), Science and Technology Centers (STCs), industrial collaborators and additional academic

to tackle a cross-disciplinary, cross-sector portfolio of research projects that hold the potential to catalyze technology breakthroughs and advance national priorities.



The active participation of industry in the design and implementation of cluster research efforts is expected.

Dear Colleague Letter: I/UCRC Clusters for Grand Challenges

Potential precompetitive research topics that are of particular interest include but are not limited to:

- Advanced sensing, controls, and platforms for manufacturing
- Visualization, informatics & digital manufacturing
- Advanced materials manufacturing (AMM)

I/UCRC clusters addressing any precompetitive research areas identified among the science and technology priorities for the nation are welcome and will be fully considered.



Dear Colleague Letter: I/UCRC Clusters for Grand Challenges

Budget:

\$750k per year for a cluster with up to \$150k per year per I/UCRC

Any non-I/UCRC research partner(s) either will be budgeted for a subaward above and beyond the \$150,000 per year per I/UCRC of will bring their own funding to the partnership.

A minimum of one co-PI or co-advisor from an industry partner is required; however, NSF funds cannot be used by the industrial research partners.

Duration: up to two years

Clusters can request funding for a preparatory conference (up to 35k per cluster)



Eligibility: I/UCRCs meeting minimum membership requirements for three years in a row (and with one in kind only) 22

2014 Compendium of Industry-Nominated I/UCRC Technology Breakthroughs

What will be CEC's Impact Stories for 2016?



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