Education & Science Innovation (ESI) Subcommittee Membership and Study Areas

Members:

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- Terry Moore, 1st Vice-Chair
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Role/ Study Areas:

- STEM & future PNT workforce
- GNSS science applications (space weather, radio occultation, surface reflectometry, natural hazards warning, etc.)

ESI Subcommittee Proposed Study Areas

- 1. US STEM and future PNT workforce education and training; bring in world-wide views into the discussions.
 - Current landscape
 - Recommendations
 - Opportunities
- 2. Awareness of PNT/GNSS scientific applications

US STEM and Future PNT Workforce Education and Training Landscape: May 2022 Presentation

- An open letter highlighted the crisis in the field of geodesy. This crisis is also playing out in the broader field of PNT, and generally in STEM education.
- NSF National Science Board (NSB) report on the State of U.S. Science and Engineering 2022: <u>https://ncses.nsf.gov/indicators</u>
- NSB vision to remain the world innovation leader in 2030: https://www.nsf.gov/nsb/publications/2020/nsb202015.pdf

ESI Subcommittee Actions from May 2022 Meeting

- Survey on Research Fundings.
- Survey on PNT publications by US and international authors.
- Obtain findings from:
 - Dr. Nikki Markiel (NGA): Geodetic Science Shortage of Researchers & Scientists
 - Prof. Terry Moore (UK): PNT Skills, Education, and Training Strategy: Findings from a UK Government-Sponsored Study
- Provide recommendations to improve future US work force education and training.

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- Draft UK PNT Strategy developed 2020/21 Not UK Govt Policy
- Skills, Education and Training Working Group led by RIN
- Education
 - Learning provision from an institution, normally a school, college or university.
- Training
 - Increasing specific skills or knowledge, typically provided on a transactional basis, such as a short course. This can be provided on a commercial basis as well as from colleges and universities.
- Skills
 - The ability to perform a task well and with expertise often the outcome of education and/or training.

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- Key Findings
 - Close industry-academia collaboration drives innovation, discovery, and growth.
 - Education Provision
 - Training Provision
- 8 Recommendations and 2 'red flag' conclusions
 - Short Term, Medium Term and Long Term



UK PNT – SET Working Group Regulated Qualifications Framework



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Global Scientific Research Funding Ranking by Country 2021



(Source Chinese website)

Percentage of GDP Spent on R & D

| \$ | Country/Region + | Expenditures on R&D (billions of US\$, PPP) | % of GDP PPP + | Expenditures on R&D per capita (US\$ PPP) | Year + |
|----|----------------------|--|----------------|--|--------|
| 1 | United States | 612.714 | 3.1 | 1,866 | 2019 |
| 2 | * China | 514.798 | 2.2 | 368 | 2019 |
| 3 | • Japan | 172.614 | 3.2 | 1,375 | 2019 |
| 4 | India | 158.691 | 1.3 | 120 | 2022 |
| 5 | Germany | 131.932 | 3.2 | 1,586 | 2019 |
| 6 | South Korea | 100.055 | 4.6 | 1,935 | 2019 |
| 7 | France | 63.658 | 2.2 | 944 | 2019 |
| 8 | Steel Chited Kingdom | 51.702 | 1.8 | 762 | 2019 |
| 9 | Taiwan | 42.945 | 3.5 | 1,822 | 2019 |
| 10 | Russia | 38.549 | 1.0 | 263 | 2019 |
| 11 | 📀 Brazil | 38.0 | 1.3 | 181 | 2017 |
| 12 | Italy | 33.840 | 1.4 | 561 | 2019 |
| 13 | Canada | 26.636 | 1.5 | 700 | 2019 |
| 14 | Talia Australia | 25.58 | 1.8 | 1,008 | 2019 |

Percentage of GDP Spent on R & D



Head Count of Government Research Staff



Scientific and Technical Journal Articles

| Rank \$ | Country \$ | Number of scientific publications (2020) | Scientific publications per capita (in ppm) |
|---------|-----------------------|---|--|
| 1 | China China | 744042 | 527 |
| 2 | United States | 624554 | 1875 |
| 3 | Standard Kingdom | 198500 | 2959 |
| 4 | 📃 India | 191590 | 138 |
| 5 | Germany | 174524 | 2097 |
| 6 | Italy | 127502 | 2159 |
| 7 | Japan | 127408 | 1016 |
| 8 | Russia | 119195 | 819 |
| 9 | France | 112838 | 1664 |
| 10 | e Canada | 121111 | 3184 |
| 11 | 찬 Australia | 106614 | 4109 |
| 12 | Spain | 104353 | 2202 |

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_count ries_by_number_of_scientific_and_technical _journal_articles

New Chinese PNT Publications and Society (in English)

| www.news.cn 新华网 www.xinhuanet.com | NET | Sunday, Nc | | | | | |
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Summary of Findings on Education & Research Funding

- Previous slides show that China and other countries are gaining on the U.S. or are already ahead in general R&D investment.
- Specifically true for PNT with the rise of Galileo, Beidou, QZSS, etc.
- To be competitive, the U.S. needs to expand PNT education.
- The following slides show some schemes that could be used to direct additional funding for PNT education

Existing U.S. Graduate Student Fellowship Programs that *could* be used to support work in PNT

- National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Office of Geomatics
 - Geomatics Emerging Scientist Consortium for Geomatics Education, Research, and Capabilities Enhancement (GEO-ESCON)
- US Dept of Education Graduate Assistantships in Areas of National Need (GAANN)
- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program (NSGRFP)
- Future Investigators in NASA Earth and Space Science and Technology (FINESST)
- NASA Space Technology Graduate Research Opportunities (NSTGRO)
- National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowships (NDSEG)
- Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation (SMART) Scholarships (Both graduate and undergraduate requires civilian government service after graduation)

Example Funding Mechanism

- National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Office of Geomatics
 - One outcome from Geodesy in Crisis paper
 - Geomatics Emerging Scientist Consortium for Geomatics Education, Research, and Capabilities Enhancement (GEO-ESCON)
 - The Ohio State University
 - \$28.5 million for a three-year base period with option for additional four years.

Example Funding Mechanism

• US DoEd GAANN:

- Graduate Assistantships in Areas of National Need
- Eligibility: U.S. students, PhD studies, with demonstrated financial need
- Total funding: \$30M in 2012, decreased to \$23M in 2020
- Provides 3 years of funding at up to \$300K/yr/institution requires 25% matching and no overhead
- Priority topics for each year are included in the call
 - Opportunity for PNT to become a priority topic

Scientific Applications

- Objectives:
 - Bring awareness of GNSS-enabled scientific applications to the PNT community
 - Understand the technology limitations
- However, focus for this meeting has been on Education
- One example application
 - Soil Moisture through GNSS Reflectometry, Dr Clara Chew, UC Boulder
 - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nAJMpjVjJYc</u>
- Emerging Key Finding
 - Scientific applications also need protection for GNSS signals.

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