

MEDIA ADVISORY

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PRESIDENT'S INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

The President's Information Technology Advisory Committee (PITAC) will meet on Thursday, June 17, 2004. The meeting will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. via WebEx and also in the Board Room (#1235) of the National Science Foundation located at 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia.

This PITAC meeting will focus on the U.S. Government investment in networking and information technology research and development with some specific applications. In the morning, there will be a discussion of the draft final report of the findings and recommendations of the Health and Information Technology Subcommittee. There will also be a report from the Cyber Security Subcommittee.

The PITAC members will then hear presentations by Dr. Erik Jakobsson, Director of the Center for Bioinformatics and Computational Biology, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health; Dr. Michael Strayer, Director, Scientific Discovery through Advanced Computation, Department of Energy Office of Science; Dr. Arden L. Bement, Jr., Director of the National Science Foundation; and Dr. Ken Kennedy, Rice University. A full agenda and registration information can be found on the following NITRD website: <http://www.itrd.gov/pitac/>.

REGISTRATION: The public may attend the meeting in person at the above address or on-line via the Internet. **Registration will close for the WebEx conference on Tuesday, June 15, 2004 at 5pm EST.** Walk-in registration at NSF will be welcomed, but early registration is recommended to facilitate access to the building.

Members of the public are invited to submit their comments by (1) providing written statements to the PITAC before June 15, 2004 at pitac-comments@nitrd.gov or (2) giving a brief (three minutes or less) oral statement during the public comment periods on the meeting agenda.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The NCO/ITRD at 703-292-4873 or by e-mail at pitac-comments@nitrd.gov.

The President's Information Technology Advisory Committee (PITAC) was established on February 11, 1997 to provide the President, the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and the Federal agencies involved in IT R&D with guidance and advice on all areas of high performance computing, communications, and information technologies. Representing the research, education, and library communities and including network provider and representatives from critical industries, the Committee guides the Administration's effort to accelerate development and adoption of information technologies vital for American prosperity in the 21st century.

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