






 **May 7th - 10th, 2024**
 **DoubleTree by Hilton**
8 Perimeter Park S, Birmingham, AL 35243





Tuesday, May 7, 2024

5:00pm - 6:00pm	Annual Meeting Early Registration	Hallway
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Wednesday, May 8, 2024




		Room
8:15am - 9:15am	Registration and Poster Set-Up	Hallway
8:15am - 9:15am	Breakfast 	Hallway
9:15am - 9:30am	Welcome from NSF RCC* Section Head by Dr. Sandra Richardson	Camelia
9:30am - 10:00am	Overview and Introduction by Gary P. Zank, PI - UAH	Camelia
10:00am - 10:30am	Overview of Transformative Technologies (TT) by Dr. Yogesh Vohra, UAB	Camelia
10:30am - 10:45am	Break 	Hallway
10:45am - 11:15am	Overview of Foundational Research 1 (FR1) by Dr. Vladimir Kolobov, UAH	Camelia
11:15am - 11:45am	Overview of Foundational Research 2 (FR2) by Dr. Gabe Xu, UAH	Camelia
11:45am - 12:15pm	Outreach & Diversity presentation by Laura Provenzani and Indira Richardson, UAH	Camelia
12:15pm - 1:15pm	Lunch 	Hallway
1:15pm - 2:15pm CLOSED PANEL	Vision 2027: Fostering Future Leadership: Gabe Xu (UAH), Renato Camata (UAB), Vijaya Rangari (TU), Eva Kostadinova (AU), Vinoy Thomas (UAB), Alexey Volkov (UA), Komal Vig (ASU)	Dogwood
1:15pm - 2:15pm	Graduate Student Working Group	Camelia
2:15pm - 4:00pm	3-Minute Flash Talk Competition	Camelia
3:15pm - 3:30pm	Break 	Camelia
4:00pm - 6:00pm	Poster Session	
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Reception 	Patio

Thursday, May 9, 2024




		Room
8:00am - 9:00am	Breakfast 	3 & 4
9:00am - 9:25am	Shanti Thagunna - Grad Student (UAH)	1 & 2
9:25am - 9:50am	Adam Smith - Grad Student (UAB)	1 & 2
9:50am - 10:15am	Siddharth Bachoti - Grad Student (AU)	1 & 2
10:15am - 10:35am	Sravan Sanathanam - Grad Student (AAMU)	1 & 2
10:35am - 10:50am	Break 	3 & 4
10:50am - 11:15am	Lucius Schoenbaum - Postdoc (UAH)	1 & 2
11:15am - 11:40am	Sushrisangita Sahoo - Postdoc (UAH)	1 & 2

*Research Capacity and Competitiveness

Thursday, May 9, 2024 (cont.)
Room

11:40am – 12:05pm	Purbi Adhya - Postdoc (USA) 	1 & 2
12:15pm – 1:15pm	Lunch	3 & 4
1:15pm – 2:30pm	STEM Science Kits and DEMOs, Eva Kostadinova & Saikat Thakur, AU	1 & 2
2:30pm – 3:15pm	Career presentation by Dr. Emil Jovanov, UAH	1 & 2
3:15pm – 3:30pm	Break 	3 & 4
3:30pm – 4:45pm	Career Panel Discussion - Ellie Williamson (AU Postdoc), Haihong Che (UAH Early-career Faculty), Renato Camata (UAB Mid-career faculty), Saikat Thakur (AU Researcher), Padmaja Guggilla (AAMU Senior Faculty), Ryan Gott (Government/NASA), Emil Jovanov (UAH Education/Commercialization)	1 & 2
4:45pm – 5:15pm CLOSED PANEL	Outcome from the Vision 2027 Discussion - Management Team Only	Dogwood
6:00pm – 8:00pm	Annual Meeting Group Dinner 	3 & 4
7:00pm – 7:30pm	Dinner presentation by John R. Mecikalski, Professor - Atmospheric and Earth Science Department, UAH	3 & 4
7:30pm – 8:00pm	Awards Presentation	3 & 4

Friday, May 10, 2024
Room

8:30am – 9:30am	Breakfast 	3 & 4
9:30am – 10:00am	Communication Presentation, Jim Steele, UAH	1 & 2
10:00am – 10:30am	Evaluation Presentation – Douglas Spencer, Edu Inc.	1 & 2
10:30am – 10:45am	Break 	3 & 4
10:45am – 12:15pm	Career Guidance* - Rotating Group Activity - 1) How to Apply for a Postdoc Position; 2) How to Apply for an Entry-level Faculty Position; 3) What Comes Next for International Students; 4) Proposal Preparation ; 5) Professional Engagement	1 & 2
12:15pm – 1:30pm	Lunch 	3 & 4
12:15pm – 1:45pm	Working lunch with EAB and Management Team	Dogwood
1:30pm / 1:45pm	Meeting Adjourned	3 & 4

***Career Guidance Activity**

- 1) Ellie Williamson (AU) & Gary Zank (UAH)
- 2) Edward Thomas (AU) & Lingling Zhao (UAH)
- 3) Keyvan Ghanbari (UAH) & Saikat Thakur (AU)
- 4) Vijaya Rangari (TU) & Vladimir Kolobov (UAH)
- 5) Rao Mentreddy (AAMU), Gabe Xu (UAH), & Eva Kostadinova (AU)