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**NOTICE OF VIRTUAL INDUSTRY DAY FOR
OPERATIONS AND SCIENCE SUPPORT TO THE
UNITED STATES ANTARCTIC PROGRAM**

The National Science Foundation (NSF) manages the U.S. Antarctic Program (USAP) on behalf of the Nation. USAP encompasses all U.S. scientific research and related logistics in Antarctica as well as aboard ships in the Southern Ocean. USAP's world class science relies on seamless integration between operations and research support. NSF is beginning acquisition planning for a follow-on to the current Antarctic Support Contract and we want to hear from you.

The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties that a Virtual Industry Day for this requirement will be held as follows:

Date: Tuesday, February 16, 2021
Time: 10:00 AM EST to 3:00 PM EST

Please note that the term "Industry Day" is used in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulations and is intended to encompass the full range of entities who may be interested in participating in this acquisition.

In this Virtual Industry Day, the Government will present an overview of our vision and objectives, as well as describe anticipated acquisition activities. We are also soliciting industry feedback to inform our acquisition planning on any and all aspects of contract formation, including but not limited to, the following:

- Contract structure and incentive plans
- Attracting non-traditional teaming partners with a strong focus on science
- Encouraging partnerships between science and logistics stakeholders
- Contractual flexibilities needed to reach a strong vendor pool
- Effectively structuring the Scope of Work

Information on the existing Antarctic Support Contract can be found at the following:

[The Contract at the time of award](#)
[Performance Work Statement](#)
[Transition In Statement of Work](#)



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Pre-registration is required for Industry Day attendance.

To register, please submit the following information to recompete.usap@nsf.gov no later than 4:30 PM, EST on January 29, 2021:

Company name and address

Primary POC – name, title, and email address

Names and email addresses of any additional attendees

Company primary interest – prime contractor or subcontractor

Confirmation of one (1) of the following:

- Yes, I hereby authorize the Government to post my contact information under the ASC Recompete Virtual Industry Day Attendee list; or
- No, I do NOT want my contact information posted under the ASC Recompete Virtual Industry Day Attendee list.

Questions you would like to be addressed at the Industry Day

Attendance instructions, including Virtual Conference Login information, will be provided to registered entities prior to the scheduled Industry Day. At this time, NSF anticipates the use of Zoom for the hosting of this Industry Day; all interested parties are responsible for ensuring they have access to the applicable IT platform to access the event.

Material presented and discussed at this Industry Day will be informational only. Following the Industry Day, interested parties are encouraged to submit questions, comments, and feedback on all aspects of the information provided during the meeting. This feedback shall be submitted electronically to recompete.usap@nsf.gov no later than 2:00 PM, EST, on March 5, 2021. PHONE CALLS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. At the discretion of the NSF, Questions and Answers may be posted to beta.SAM.gov.

Please continue to monitor beta.SAM.gov for any updates and additional information pertaining to this Notice.

This Notice should not be construed (1) as a commitment by the National Science Foundation to enter into any agreement with any entity participating in the Industry Day, (2) as a commitment to issue any RFP concerning the subject of this notice, or (3) as a request for proposals, request for quote, or request for information.

The Government will not reimburse any interested party for any costs associated with attendance of this Virtual Industry Day. The Government reserves all rights not to respond to some or all of the questions posed and/or to reject in whole or in part any industry input as a result of this Notice.