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This Week in Washington, a weekly publication of WPLLC, provides an overview of upcoming events in Washington D.C. that are relevant to CUR’s interests. Please use the bookmarks below to navigate to your area of interest.

Weekly Calendar

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2013
National Cancer Institute Board of Scientific Advisors Meeting
Subject: The National Institutes of Health holds a meeting with the National Cancer Institute Board of Scientific Advisors. Agenda includes: Director's Report: Ongoing and New Business; Reports of Program Review Group(s); and Budget Presentations; Reports of Special Initiatives; RFA and RFP Concept Reviews; and Scientific Presentations.
Time and Location: 9:00 a.m., National Institute of Heath, 31 Center Drive, Building 31, 6th Floor, Room 10, Bethesda, MD.
Contact: Paulette Gray, 301-496-5147, grayp@mail.nih.gov.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013
Energy and Science Budget
Participants: Bill Brinkman, Undersecretary for Science.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m., 2362 Rayburn House Office Building.
HHS Public Health and Research Organizations
Subject: The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies holds a hearing on "The Housing and Human Services Public Health and Research Organizations."
Witnesses: Francis Collins, Director of the National Institutes of Health; Tom Frieden, Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Carolyn Clancy, Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality; Richard Gilfillan, Director of the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation; and Mary Makefield, Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m., 2358 Rayburn House Office Building.

National Sea Grant College Program
Subject: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration holds a meeting on March 4-5th with the National Sea Grant Advisory Board to discuss and provide advice on the National Sea Grant College Program in the areas of program evaluation, strategic planning, education and extension, science and technology programs.
Time and Location: 8:00 a.m., Melrose Hotel, 2430 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC.
Contact: Elizabeth Ban, 301-734-1082.

Scientific Integrity and Transparency
Subject: The House Science, Space, and Technology Subcommittee on Research and Education holds a hearing titled, “Scientific Integrity and Transparency.”
Witnesses: Bruce Alberts, Editor-In-Chief, Science Magazine and Professor Emeritus of Biochemistry and Biophysics, University of California - San Francisco; Victoria Stodden, Assistant Professor, Columbia University; Stanley Young, Assistant Director, National Institutes of Statistical Sciences; and Sayeed Choudhury, Associate Dean, Johns Hopkins University.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m., 2318 Rayburn House Office Building.

Senate Budget Committee Hearing
Subject: The Senate Budget Committee holds a full committee hearing on “Reducing the Deficit by Eliminating Wasteful Spending in the Tax Code.”
Witnesses: Edward Kleinbard, Professor of law at the University of Southern California Gould School of Law; and Jared Bernstein, Senior Fellow at the Center for Budget and Policy Priorities.
Time and Location: 10:30 a.m., 608 Dirksen Senate Office Building.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2013
College Affordability
Subject: The Education Trust hosts a webinar on “Doing Away With Debt: Using Existing Resources to Ensure College Affordability for Low and Middle-Income Students” to discuss a new shared responsibility among the federal government, state governments, institutions of higher education, and students themselves to help low-income and working-class students complete college with no loans and middle-income students to do the same with no-interest loans and affordable, income-based repayments.
Participants: Robert Moran, Director of Federal Relations and Policy Analysis, American Association of State Colleges and Universities; Travis Reindl, Program Director, National Governors Association; and Rory O'Sullivan, Policy and Research Director, Young Invincibles.
Time and Location: 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Contact: Register at: https://cc.readytalk.com/cc/s/registrations/new?cid=usqt9x43zpri.

Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee
Subject: The Department of Energy’s Office of Science holds a meeting with the Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee to provide advice and recommendations to the
Department of Energy on scientific priorities within the field of advanced scientific computing research, March 5-6.

**Time and Location:** 9:00 a.m., American Geophysical Union, 2000 Florida Avenue NW, Washington, DC.

**Contact:** Melea Baker, 301-903-7486.

**Innovation Corps**

**Subject:** The National Science Foundation holds a meeting with the Advisory Committee for Innovation Corps to provide advice and recommendations concerning I-Corps, and to receive statements by Dr. Subra Suresh, Director, on current I-Corps projects and future directions.

**Participants:** Dr. Subra Suresh, Director, National Science Foundation.

**Time and Location:** 10:00 a.m., Sheraton Crystal City Hotel, 1800 Eads Street, Arlington, VA.

**Contact:** Dedric Carter, 703-292-8002, dacarter@nsf.gov.

**Climate Issues**

**Subject:** The House Science, Space, and Technology Subcommittee on Environment holds a hearing titled, "Policy-Relevant Climate Issues in Context."

**Witnesses:** TBA.

**Time and Location:** 10:00 a.m., 2318 Rayburn House Office Building.

**Contact:** 202-225-6371, www.science.house.gov.

**Oversight of the NSF**

**Subject:** The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies hosts a hearing on "Oversight of the National Science Foundation."

**Witnesses:** Allison Lerner, Inspector General, National Science Foundation.

**Time and Location:** 11:00 a.m., H-309, U.S. Capitol.

**Contact:** 202-225-2771, www.appropriations.house.gov.

**Asteroids and Meteors**

**Subject:** The House Science, Space, and Technology Committee holds a hearing on "Threats from Space: A Review of U.S. Government Efforts to Track and Mitigate Asteroids and Meteors, Part I."

**Witnesses:** Charles Bolden Jr., Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; John Holdren, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President; and Gen. William Shelton, Commander, U.S. Air Force Space Command.

**Time and Location:** 2:00 p.m., 2318 Rayburn House Office Building.

**Contact:** 202-225-6371, www.science.house.gov.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2013**

**Environmental Policy & Technology**

**Subject:** The Environmental Protection Agency holds a meeting with the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology to discuss and approve draft recommendations in response to the National Academy of Sciences' report on "Sustainability and the U.S. EPA,"

March 7-8.

**Time and Location:** 9:00 a.m., EPA East Building, 1201 Constitution Avenue NW, Room 1117, Washington, D.C.

**Contact:** Mark Joyce, 202-564-2130, joyce.mark@epa.gov.

**Women’s Health**

**Subject:** The National Institutes of Health holds a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Research on Women's Health to provide advice to the Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH) on appropriate research activities with respect to women's health and related studies to be undertaken by the national research institutes, recommendations regarding ORWH activities, and to discuss scientific issues.

**Time and Location:** 9:00 a.m., National Institute of Heath, 31 Center Drive, Building 31, Conference Room 6, Bethesda, MD.
Contact: Susan Maier, 301-402-1770, Susan.Maier@nih.gov.

FY2014 Budget
Subject: The House Budget Committee holds a hearing on the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for FY2014.
Witnesses: Members of Congress to testify.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m., 210 Cannon House Office Building.

Research and Development
Subject: The Environmental Protection Agency holds a meeting with the Chartered Science Advisory Board to receive an update briefing on the EPA's Office of Research and Development's (ORD) implementation of strategic research plans.
Time and Location: 10:30 a.m., Washington Marriott, 1221 22nd Street NW, Washington, DC.
Contact: Angela Nugent, 202-564-2218, nugent.angela@epa.gov

DOE and Biological & Environmental Research Advisory Committee Meeting
Subject: The Energy Department’s Office of Science holds a meeting by teleconference with the Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee to provide advice to the Director of the Office of Science of the Department of Energy on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the Biological and Environmental Research Program.
Time and Location: 1:00 p.m.
Contact: Contact by March 5 for dial-in information: Joanne Corcoran, 301-903-6488, joanne.corcoran@science.doe.gov.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2013
DOE/NSF Nuclear Science Advisory Committee
Subject: The Energy Department’s Office of Science holds a meeting of the DOE/NSF Nuclear Science Advisory Committee.
Time and Location: 9:00 a.m., Gaithersburg Marriott Washingtonian Center, 9751 Washingtonian Boulevard, Gaithersburg, MD.
Contact: Brenda May, 301-903-0536. The event will be available via webcast at www.tvworldwide.com/events/DOE/130308/.

The National Council on the Humanities Budget and Program Review
Subject: The National Endowment for the Humanities holds a meeting of the National Council on the Humanities to advise the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) with respect to policies, programs and procedures for carrying out his functions; to review applications for financial assistance; and to consider gifts offered to NEH and make recommendations thereon to the Chairman, March 7-8.
Time and Location: March 7-8, Old Post Office Building, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC.
Contact: Lisette Voyatzis, 202-606-8322.

On The Floor This Week
Senate
Votes on Judicial Nominations.

House
H.R. __ – Department of Defense, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013
Bills to Watch

FY2013 APPROPRIATIONS

House

Continuing Resolution

FY2013 Continuing Resolution to fund the government until March 27, 2013
(9/22/12 passed by Senate; 9/13/12 passed by House)
Encouraging Innovation and Effective Teachers Act (3/2/12 passed by House
Education and the Workforce Committee)

Links for Up-to-Date Information on Hearings, Legislation, and Events

U.S. House of Representatives 2010 Schedule:
U.S. Senate 2010 Schedule:
http://www démocrats.senate.gov/calendar/2010-01.html or
http://www.gpoaccess.gov/calendars/senate/browse.html
U.S. Senate Budget Committee: http://www.budget.senate.gov
U.S. House Budget Committee: http://www.house.gov/budget
Congressional Budget Office: http://www.cbo.gov
Federal legislative information: http://thomas.loc.gov

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