

## Charter of the U.S. ST Coordinating Committee (STCC) – Update September 18, 2009

The STCC is organized by OFES and reports to the OFES ST Program Manager. The purposes of the STCC are to regularly provide updates on research needs, to suggest coordinated research activities to meet the research needs, and to provide integrated reports of research progress and plans at the budget planning meeting.

To achieve these purposes, the STCC shall have the following functions:

1. Develop and define the ways in which ST programs can address major scientific and technical issues identified by the U.S. and world fusion programs.
2. Coordinate research planning, including nearer and longer-term goals, strategy, and priorities for the U.S. ST R&D activities, including experiments, diagnostics, theory and modeling, and enabling technologies.
3. Coordinate national and international ST collaborations and contributions to ITER-support and Advanced Tokamak research.
4. Report on progress of the funded ST R&D activities.
5. Represent and advocate the U.S. ST Program nationally.
6. Represent and advocate the U.S. ST Program internationally through the U.S. members of the IEA ST Implementing Agreement Executive Committee.

The STCC shall establish its membership as follows:

1. The STCC shall be composed of a chair, a deputy chair, and members representing major scientific and technical areas of R&D.
2. The chairs and the members of the STCC shall be appointed by the OFES ST Program manager.
3. Technical advisors to the STCC can be assigned by the OFES ST Program Manager to augment the scientific and technical information base available to the work of the STCC.

The STCC can hold the following meetings:

1. Working meetings and conference calls to prepare input as requested by the OFES ST Program Manager, and
2. Meetings during January-February each year to review and comment on the near term milestones and research plans, and update longer-term goals of the U.S. ST Program in preparation for the annual OFES Budget Planning Meeting .

The STCC shall produce the following reports:

1. The reports of the above meetings shall be produced and made available to the OFES within an appropriate time following the meetings.