

We will collect here answers to some frequently asked questions about DOE National Laboratory Announcement Number: LAB 17-1766. These are meant to clarify and NOT amend the announcement. In any case of real or apparent conflict with language in the announcement the language in the announcement prevails.

1. Are the pages in the Conflict of Interest list included in the 3+1 pages allowed in the preproposal?

The COI list will use space in addition to the 3+1 used for the preproposal.

2. Can ASCR help us negotiate a better overheads from Laboratories for university sub-awards?

No. These overheads are set by the laboratories as part of their award process and ASCR does not influence these rates.

3. Is there budgeting flexibility in out-years to include “left-out” or new personnel?

*According to the solicitation – “The MMICC structure must be sufficiently flexible to adapt to changing technical challenges and scientific needs. In particular, it is expected that there will be changes in the research plans as research **progresses necessitating changes in personnel and sub-projects**; equally likely are potential changes in the scientific challenges. Major changes should be effected in consultation with ASCR program staff.”*

4. Does the start date have to be 01/01/2018?

You may start earlier. Details can be sorted out during budget negotiations.