

**Request for Approval under the “Generic Clearance Collection for Meetings,  
Events, Registrations, and Miscellaneous Forms”  
(OMB Control Number: 0690-0038)**

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**TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:** NIST PSCR PULSE Accelerator Application

**PURPOSE:** Information from this application will be used to determine how many applicants specializing in new UAS (Uncrewed Aircraft Systems) and public safety communications technology will be invited to participate in NIST PSCR’s business accelerator program’s “PULSE: FLIGHT” cohort. The purpose of this form is to efficiently collect essential information from candidates who have shown interest in participating in the 4<sup>th</sup> cohort of the PULSE business accelerator, and streamline the application review, ensuring a systematic and standardized approach.

**DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS:** The respondents of this form include known stakeholders studying and/or working in the UAS public safety area that have interacted with NIST PSCR in the past through our grants, prize challenges and/or UAS workshops, most of whom have signed up to be included in NIST PSCR’s distribution list to receive communications of this kind. Many of the respondents are former grantees, prize challenge participants, or other collaborators.

**TYPE OF COLLECTION:** (Check one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Customer Comment Card/Complaint Form          | <input type="checkbox"/> Customer Satisfaction Survey                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Usability Testing (e.g., Website or Software) | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Discussion Group                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Focus Group                                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Application via Google Form</u> |

**CERTIFICATION:**

I certify the following to be true:

1. The collection is voluntary.
2. The collection is a low burden for respondents and low-cost for the Federal Government.
3. The collection is non-controversial and does not raise issues of concern to other federal agencies.
4. The results are not intended to be disseminated to the public.
5. Information gathered will not be used for the purpose of substantially informing influential policy decisions.
6. The collection is targeted to the solicitation of opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the future.

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To assist review, please provide answers to the following question:

**Personally Identifiable Information:**

1. Is personally identifiable information (PII) collected?  Yes  No
2. If Yes, will any information that is collected be included in records that are subject to the Privacy Act of 1974?  Yes  No Name is collected, however it is in association with a business, and therefore not regarding the individual. Privacy Act is not invoked.
3. If Yes, has an up-to-date System of Records Notice (SORN) been published?  Yes  No

**Gifts or Payments:**

Is an incentive (e.g., money or reimbursement of expenses, token of appreciation) provided to participants?  Yes  No

**BURDEN HOURS**

Category of Respondent	No. of Respondents	Participation Time	Burden Hours
Private Sector/Academia	200 (capped)	30 minutes (.5 hours)	100 hours
<b>Totals</b>			

**FEDERAL COST:** The estimated annual cost to the Federal government is: If the burden hours are 100 hours and estimating an hourly rate of \$50 for a one-time, non-recurring event, the cost to the Federal government would be \$5,000.

**If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:**

**The selection of your targeted respondents**

1. Do you have a customer list or something similar that defines the universe of potential respondents and do you have a sampling plan for selecting from this universe?  Yes  No

If the answer is yes, please provide a description of both below (or attach the sampling plan)? If the answer is no, please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select the respondents.

The UAS Portfolio has a distribution list of individuals who have signed up to be included in NIST PSCR's distribution list to receive communications of this kind. From this list, we will target communications to those who would be eligible to apply to this round of the PULSE Accelerator. The application will be publicly available via the PULSE website, and therefore, individuals beyond our distribution list may come across and complete the application as well. To minimize burden on the public, we will communicate and enforce a cap of 200 respondents.

**Administration of the Instrument**

1. How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)
  - Web-based or other forms of Social Media
  - Telephone
  - In-person
  - Mail
  - Other, Explain: Email to targeted distribution list
2. Will interviewers or facilitators be used?  Yes  No

**Required Additional Information**

1. Line of Business: General Science and Innovation.
2. Subfunction: Scientific and Technological Research and Innovation.
3. Privacy Act System of Records: Not Applicable.
4. Federal Registration citation information: Not Applicable.
5. Number of respondents for small entities: 0
6. Percentage of respondents reporting electronically: 100%

**Please submit all instruments, instructions, correspondences (emails, letters, etc.) to respondents, and scripts as separate documents along with this request document. Every instrument must have the following displayed –**

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**Expiration Date: 07/31/2026**