

NSF and the Board of International Scientific Organizations (BISO)

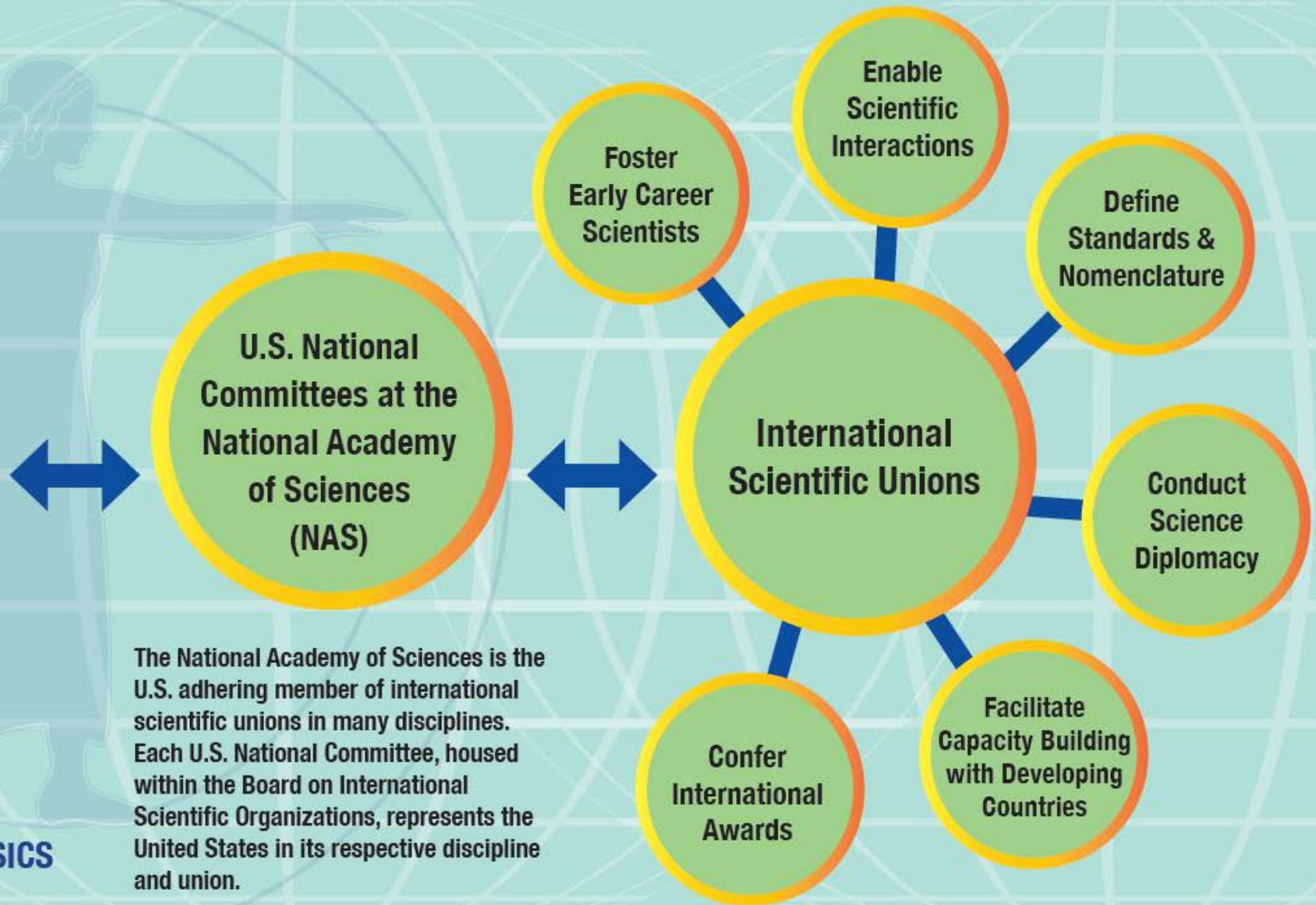


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U.S. Participation in International Scientific Unions

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Status Quo Approach

- BISO has traditionally submitted separate proposals for support of its activities with international scientific unions, including union dues, to every NSF Directorate/Office.
- This has resulted in inconsistent review of proposals and management of actions.



BISO Committee of Visitors (COV)

February 28 – March 1, 2018 OISE convened a COV to review proposals and funding actions related to BISO.

The COV's report has been reviewed and accepted by NSF's Advisory Committee for International Science & Engineering (AC ISE) and has been released.



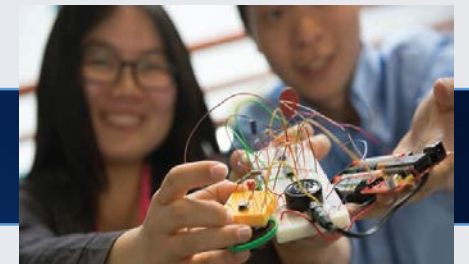
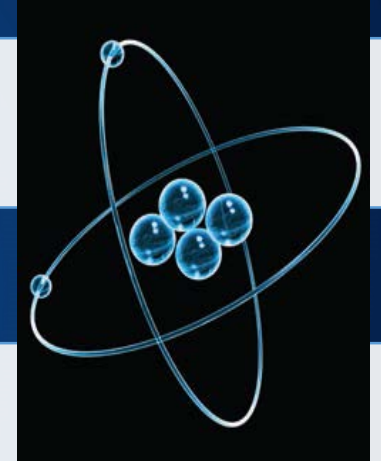
Based on recommendations by the COV, moving forward NSF's approach to support BISO is to ensure:

that NSF is supporting efforts of the highest quality

that the activities we support will yield maximum impact

that we are not supporting duplicate or overlapping activities

that NSF creates an accurate record of investments in supporting U.S. participation in international scientific organizations



NSF and BISO Actions Moving Forward:

BISO will submit one consolidated proposal for all of its activities

The proposal will be submitted to and managed by OISE in consultation with the appropriate Directorates/Offices

Directorates will be asked to co-fund activities related to their disciplines

As with all NASEM proposals, this proposal will be reviewed by NSF's internal NASEM team

