

# Renewing the National Science Foundation

## Expanding and Deepening Public and Private Partnerships

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# NSF's Mission and Vision

## Mission

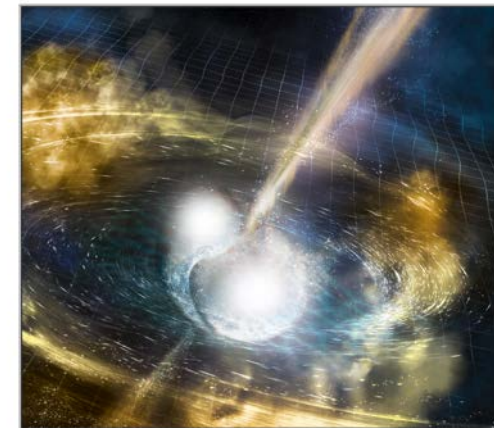
“to promote the progress of science; to advance the national health, prosperity, and welfare; to secure the national defense; and for other purposes.”

“Partnerships with other federal agencies, nonprofits, private-sector collaborators, industry partners and the public will help advance these research areas.”

Dr. France Córdoba  
Director, National Science Foundation

## Vision

“A Nation that is the global leader in research and innovation.”



Core Values: Excellence, Public Service, Learning, Inclusion, Collaboration, Integrity, Transparency



# Partnerships Strategic Goal Team

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# Vision

- Unified strategic vision
  - Strategy for choosing partnerships
  - Move from reactive to proactive
  - Partnerships that advance mission
- Assessment of value metrics
  - Built in from the beginning
  - Systematic and continuous
  - Evidence-driven improvement
  - Preserve mission, merit review integrity
  - Quantified value of partnerships
- Streamlined and flexible mechanisms
  - Streamlined processes
  - Range of partners supported
  - Tools, capacity building, and knowledge
  - MOU policy guides
  - Communication strategy
- Global leadership in research, innovation, and societal impacts
  - Diverse partners and networks
  - Government and industry recognition
  - Enable research and discovery
  - Increase pace of discovery
  - Increase leverage and impact

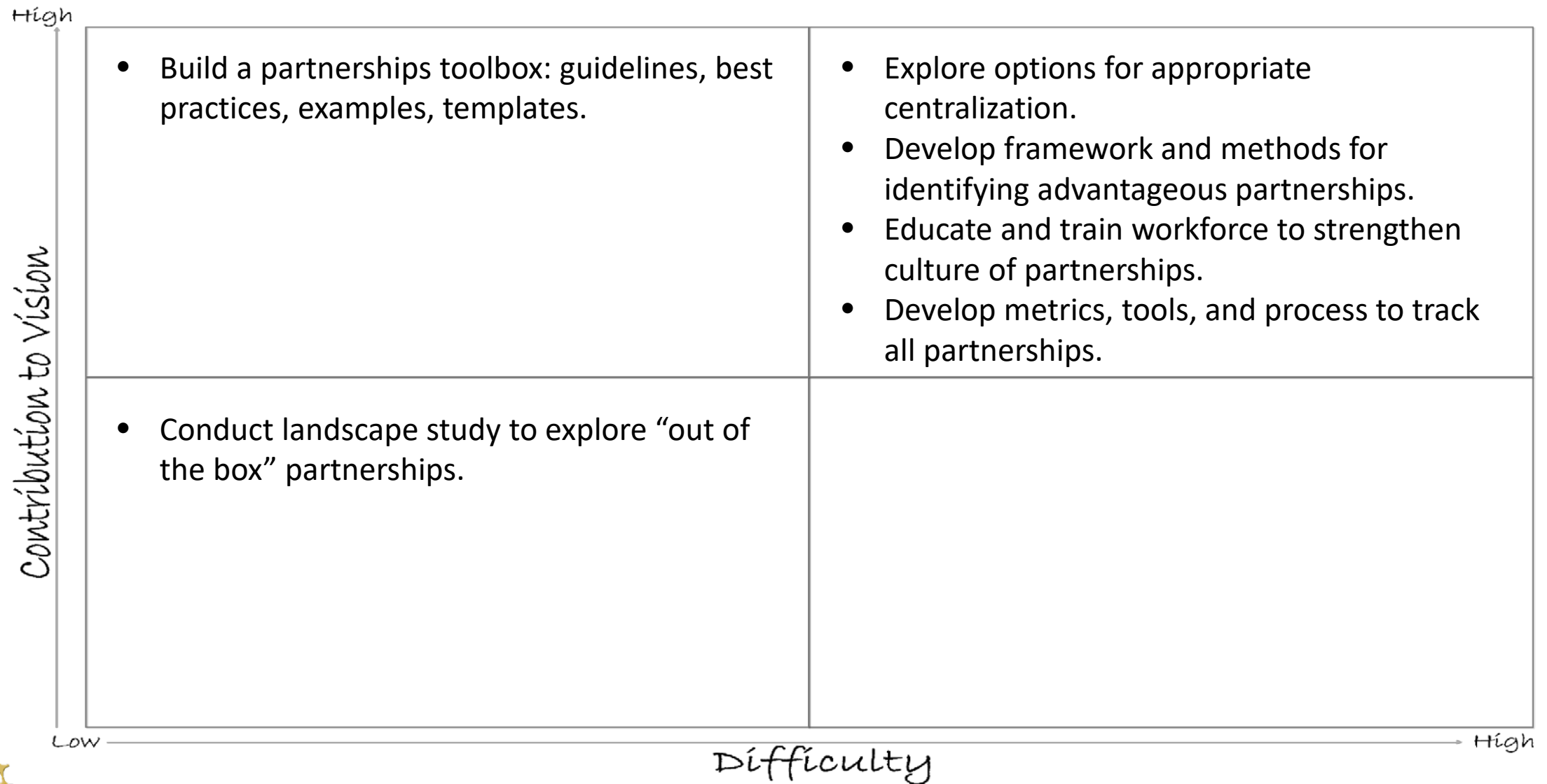


# Bold Steps

- Conduct landscape study to explore “out of the box” partnerships.
- Develop framework and methods for identifying advantageous partnerships.
- Explore options for appropriate centralization.
- Build a partnerships toolbox.
  - Guidelines
  - Best practices
  - Examples
  - Templates
- Educate and train workforce to strengthen culture of partnerships.
- Develop metrics, tools, and process to track all partnerships.



# Prioritization of Bold Steps



# Questions for the Committee

- What elements of a partnerships program would you consider best suited for centralized management?
- What metrics do you suggest should be most important for consideration?
- What mechanisms would you encourage to help strengthen the culture of partnerships?



# Thank You!

