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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

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Notice on Penalty Inflation Adjustments for Civil Monetary Penalties

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice announcing updated penalty inflation adjustments for civil monetary penalties for 2025.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF or Foundation) is providing notice of its adjusted maximum civil monetary penalties, effective January 15, 2025. These adjustments are required by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bijan Gilanshah, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314. Telephone: 703.292.5055.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 27, 2016, NSF published an interim final rule amending its regulations to adjust, for inflation, the maximum civil monetary penalties that may be imposed for violations of the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (ACA), as amended, 16 U.S.C. 2401 *et seq.*, and the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 (PFCRA), 31 U.S.C. 3801, *et seq.* These adjustments are required by the 2015 Act. The 2015 Act also requires agencies to make subsequent annual adjustments for inflation. Pursuant to OMB guidance dated December 17, 2024, the cost-of-living adjustment multiplier for 2025 is 1.02598. Accordingly, the 2025 annual inflation adjustments for the maximum penalties under the ACA are \$21,568 (\$21,022 × 1.02598) for violations and \$36,498

(\$35,574 × 1.02598) for knowing violations of the ACA. Finally, the 2025 annual inflation adjustment for the maximum penalty for violations under PFCRA is \$14,308 (\$13,946 × 1.02598).

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request; Annual and Final Report Template

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to establish this collection. In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are providing an opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting Office of Management and Budget (OMB) clearance of this collection for no longer than 3 years.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by February 28, 2025 to be assured consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable. Send comments to the address below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Room E6447, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; telephone (703) 292-7556; or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including Federal holidays).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Grantee Reporting Requirements for the NSF Accelerating Research through International Network-to-Network Collaboration (AccelNet) Program.

OMB Control No.: 3145-New.
Expiration Date of Approval: Not applicable.

Abstract: We are proposing a modified annual/final report template specific to the Accelerating Research through International Network-to-Network Collaborations program (AccelNet, as described in the following program solicitations: NSF 19-501, NSF

21-511, and NSF 23-619). Briefly, the program funds planning and implementation awards to investigators forming international networks of networks that will work collaboratively to create a research agenda that will advance science in a way not possible with a concerted international cooperative effort. More information on the current solicitation can be found on the program website: <https://new.nsf.gov/funding/opportunities/accelerating-research-through-international>. While NSF requires awardees to submit annual reports each year of the award and a final report at the end of the award period, the template is focused on research outcomes at the national scale whereas our program is focused on networking activities and workforce development at the international scale. The NSF standard report template does not include prompts that are meaningful to the scope of work awarded and does not provide program directors useful information about achievements and international activities.

Respondents: Awardees.

Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 70.

Burden on the Public: 8 hours or 1 workday per award.

Dated: December 20, 2024.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Intent To Seek Approval To Extend an Information Collection

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to request clearance of this collection. In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are providing opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting that OMB approve clearance of this collection for no longer than three years.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by February 28, 2025 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science