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DOE's Mentor Protégé Program

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Session Agenda

- Session Introduction
- DOE MPP Overview (Eligibility, Benefits, Participation, Other)
- Major Differences between DOE MPP and SBA MPP
- Featured Speakers
 - Royina Lopez, Supplier Diversity Advocate, Sandia National Laboratories
 - Myron Kaczmarsky, Vice President, Holtec Government Services
- Questions

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DOE MPP Overview

Program started in 1999 to provide SB's opportunities to receive developmental and technical assistance.

- Spirit of the DOE MPP:
 - provide assistance to SB types that demonstrate a need for assistance
 - equip participants with skills and experiences to successfully compete & perform on both DOE prime contracts and/or subcontracts
- Developmental Assistance
 - Business management guidance
 - Engineering and technical experience
 - Subcontract experience

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DOE MPP Overview (cont.)

- Approximately 40 active agreements and 20 mentors that are participating
- Eligibility for DOE MPP participation (Mentor and Protégé)
- Approval Process – Contracting Officer concurs on all Mentor-Protégé Agreements (MPA's) OSDBU approves
- Agreement Period – 2 years with possibility to extend up to 3 additional years
- Must have a willing mentor before applying
- DOE is considering modifying the program to refine protégé eligibility
 - Focused on the Socio Economics
- OSDBU has developed a workgroup to enhance opportunities through MPP, to increase its supplier base and expand equity among all SB types.

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DOE & SBA MPP - Major Differences of Programs

| DOE MPP | SBA MPP |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on an active DOE prime contract. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not based on an active agency prime contract. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DOE’s Program is specific to DOE, its procurement processes, & mission. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not agency specific (but MPA may be tailored to a specific agency) |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development activities – similar | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development activities – similar |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subcontracting may occur - possible non-competitive awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subcontracting may occur as part of development |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May form a Joint Venture together - affiliation not waived | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May form a Joint Venture together - affiliation waived – propose on set asides (as small) |

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Summary

- The Mentor-Protégé Programs (both DOE and SBA) as well as all of the Federal MPP programs) that can be used as a tool to expand and diversify the DOE supplier base.
- The MPP helps cultivate long-term relationships between Mentors and Protégés, as well as the DOE, that may extend well beyond the program agreement periods.
- For more information about the DOE MPP Program, please visit [DOE's Mentor-Protégé Program](#) page.

Questions & Assistance

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