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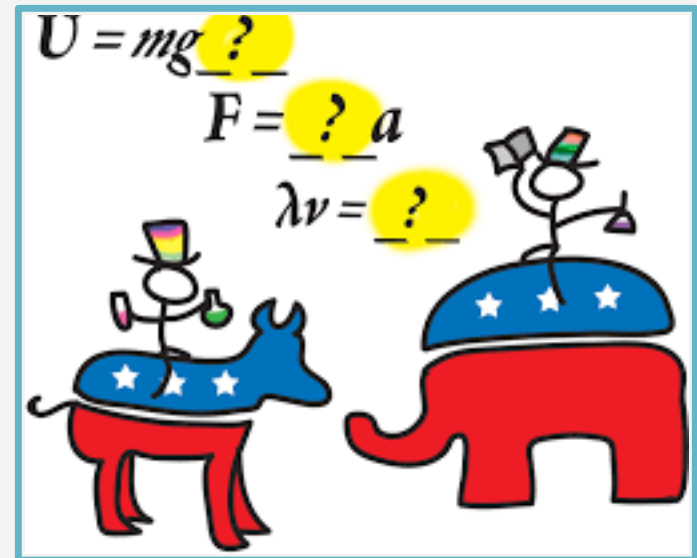
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# WHAT IS SCIENCE POLICY

& why is it so important?



- Science for policy
  - Science used to inform policy-making
- Policy for science
  - Policy to fund and regulate the conduct of science

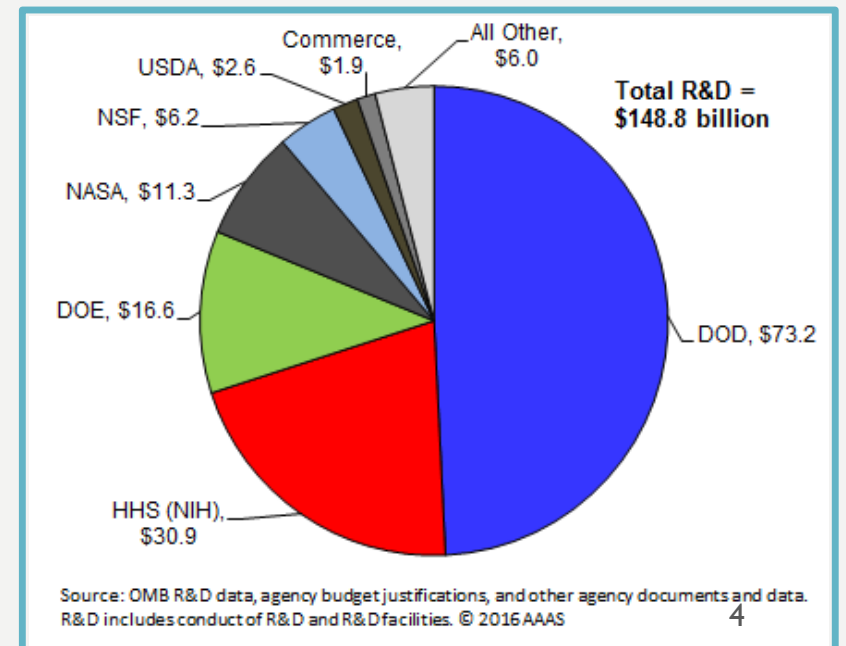


“it’s a two-way street”

# INTERESTING QUESTIONS

- How should we set priorities for science?
- What is the role of the government in supporting applied research?
- How can basic research support, with long-term goals, be justified when government and public want quick results?
- What is the right balance of funding between different agencies and programs?

Base Budget R&D by Agency, FY 2017



# AN INCOMPLETE LIST OF ALL THE ACRONYMS I LEARNED:

CJS RDT&E NDAA DOEd CNSR NWS S&T  
COMPETES ITIF NRL FACCA  
EIA ESC OMB  
JWST OISE NIH WFIRST OSTP  
NNSA AAAS NOAA  
CNSF SBIR/STTR ARM NAS  
SMD NIF R&D

# WHAT IS FYI?



FYI: The AIP Bulletin of Science Policy News

FYI is an objective, authoritative digest of science policy developments in Washington impacting the physical science community.

## FY17 Appropriations Bills: STEM Education

NSF's education programs would see steady funding under current spending bills, while the Department of Education's STEM programs are undergoing major statutory realignment, leading to disagreement between the president, House, and Senate on the best level of support.

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## Scientific Freedom Invoked in Subpoena Battles over Corporate Climate Knowledge

State attorneys are using their subpoena power against ExxonMobil to investigate whether the company committed fraud by publicly contradicting its inside knowledge of risks that climate



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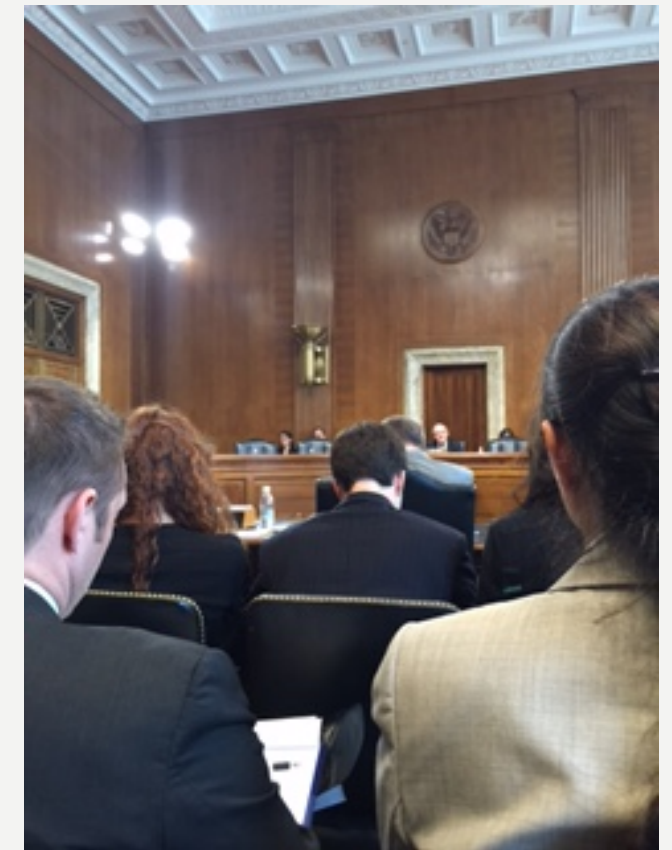
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# A DAY IN THE LIFE




# EVENTS

- I attended over 28 events!
- Many different kinds:
  - Congress
  - Scientific Society
  - Advisory Committee
  - Report release
  - Film Screening
  - Book event
- Many different organizations:
  - Senate Commerce Committee
  - House Science Committee
  - NSF
  - NASA
  - DOE
  - &more!










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## House Tees Up Basic Energy Research Legislation

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## House Passes Basic Energy Research Bills and NIST Improvement Act

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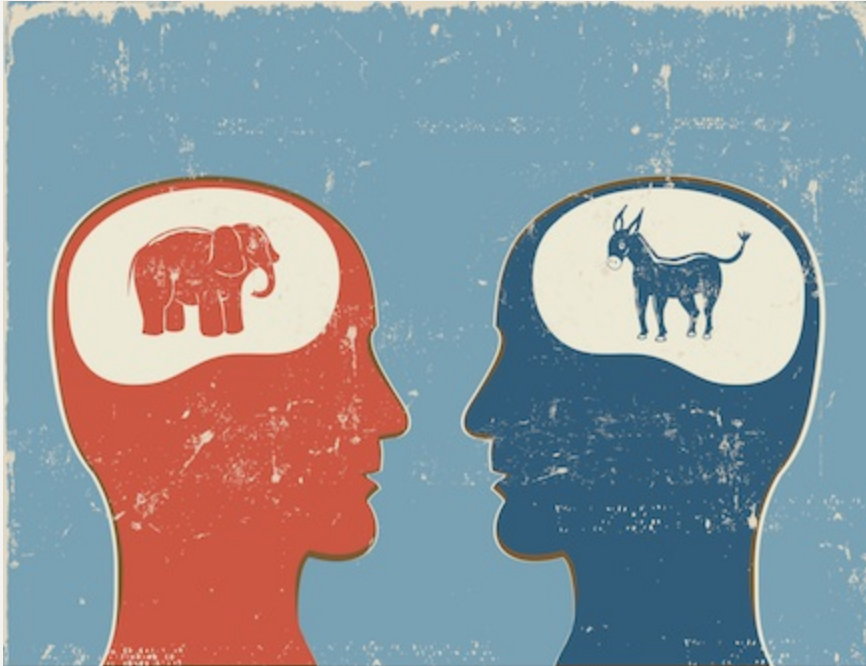
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& one more coming soon!

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