TO: Civil Servants

FROM: Dr. Jacob Cohen, Chief Scientist

SUBJECT: FY24 ARIA RFP - Due April 9, 2024

The Office of the Chief Scientist (OCS) is pleased to announce the FY24 Ames Research Innovation Award (ARIA) request for proposals (RFP).

Proposals are due by 5 p.m. (Pacific) on April 9, 2024

The ARIA program is funded by the Ames Investment Account to promote the vitality of Ames through strategic investments in scientific research, capabilities, and people. It encourages the development of new, high-risk/high return investigations that stress innovation, exploration, and/or interdisciplinary work. ARIA focuses on innovative or basic scientific research in areas that are relevant to Agency and Center goals, without necessarily being tied to any specific future mission opportunity. ARIA proposals must be research oriented and are considered seedling funding for innovative/disruptive research that will enable next generation science and research. ARIA proposals may not exceed \$50K (FY24) procurement, with no allocation for FTE. Awards are pending availability of funds.

Further information regarding the ARIA, including the RFP, all supporting documents, and instructions for submittal can be found here.

Proposals are due to <u>iacob.cohen-1@nasa.gov</u> no later than 5 p.m. (Pacific) on April 9, 2024. Late submissions will not be considered.