

A large hay bale is the central focus in a field of harvested crops. The sky is filled with dramatic, colorful clouds in shades of orange, yellow, and blue, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall scene is peaceful and rural.

Welcome

SBIR Week in the Midwest

October 19 - October 23, 2020

Agenda

9:15 AM – 10:00 AM

Getting Started with SBIR/STTR

10:15 AM – 11:00 AM

Inside the Head of an Evaluator: Common Mistakes

11:15 AM – 12 noon

Success in Phase I - Moving to Phase II and Beyond

12:15 PM – 1:00 PM

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)

Presenter: **Damian Porcari**

Director of the Elijah J. McCoy Midwest Regional USPTO Office

1:15 PM – 1:30 PM

Federal Laboratory Consortium (FLC)

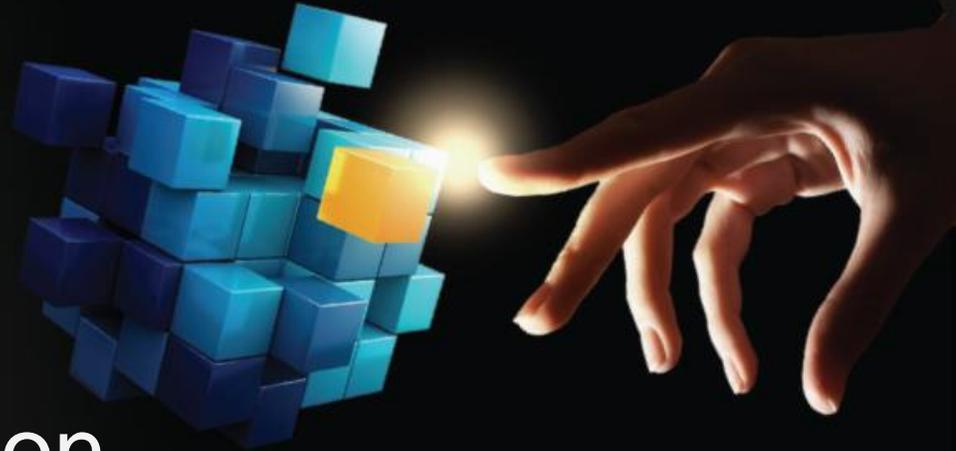
Presenter: **Sabra Tomb**

Attorney-Advisor, Air Force Research Laboratory

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- Nebraska Business Development Center in partnership with Nebraska Procurement Technical Assistance Center
- Missouri Small Business Development Centers
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in partnership with University of Illinois Research Park, National Center for Supercomputing Applications, Technology Entrepreneur Center, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation, CUSBDC, Champaign County Economic Development Corporation, and the Illinois University Incubator Network
- The Northeast Indiana Innovation Center (NIIC)

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- **120+ companies with 2,200 employees:** Corporate Innovation Centers and University startups
 - **30 Global Corporations with Innovation Centers** – including many Fortune 500 companies
- **EnterpriseWorks incubator:** primary purpose is research commercialization and entrepreneurship support.
 - **60 Startup companies** at the incubator
 - **55%** of startups remain in the community after graduation

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\$1.1b
in VC funding



\$120m
in SBIR/STTR awards



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