Information Science & Technology (ISTI) Postdoc Fellow

As part of the postdoc package submission, you are required to submit a one-page ISTI justification memo (maximum of 1 page, 12 point font, 1 inch margins). This memo needs to address the following:

- How the proposed research contributes to the focused science topics of ISTI.
- How the proposed ISTI 50% work differs from the main Postdoc Research proposal.
- What the envisaged funding mix is for the postdoc.

The full text of the ISTI focused science topics can be found in the current ISTI call for proposals at https://int.lanl.gov/science/partnerships-collaborations/national-security-education-center/information-science-technology-institute/index.shtml

Because of the 50% ISTI / 50% Other dual funding nature of the ISTI Postdoctoral Fellowship, proposers MUST exercise care in differentiating the work scope between the work performed for the two funding sources. In the required ISTI memo, the distinct work scope of the ISTI related work must be clearly identified and be distinct from the general Postdoctoral research statement. Topics may be related, but cannot have overlapping work statements.

As one of the objectives of the ISTI Postdoctoral Fellow appointment is a pipeline for staff conversion, ISTI also looks at the particular mix of funding, which should be highlighted in the memo. The objective of the 50/50 funding structure is to have one-half of the funding come from a somewhat more programmatic and long-term source at LANL which ideally should help with conversion prospects for the postdoc, while the ISTI funding covers more basic research aspects.