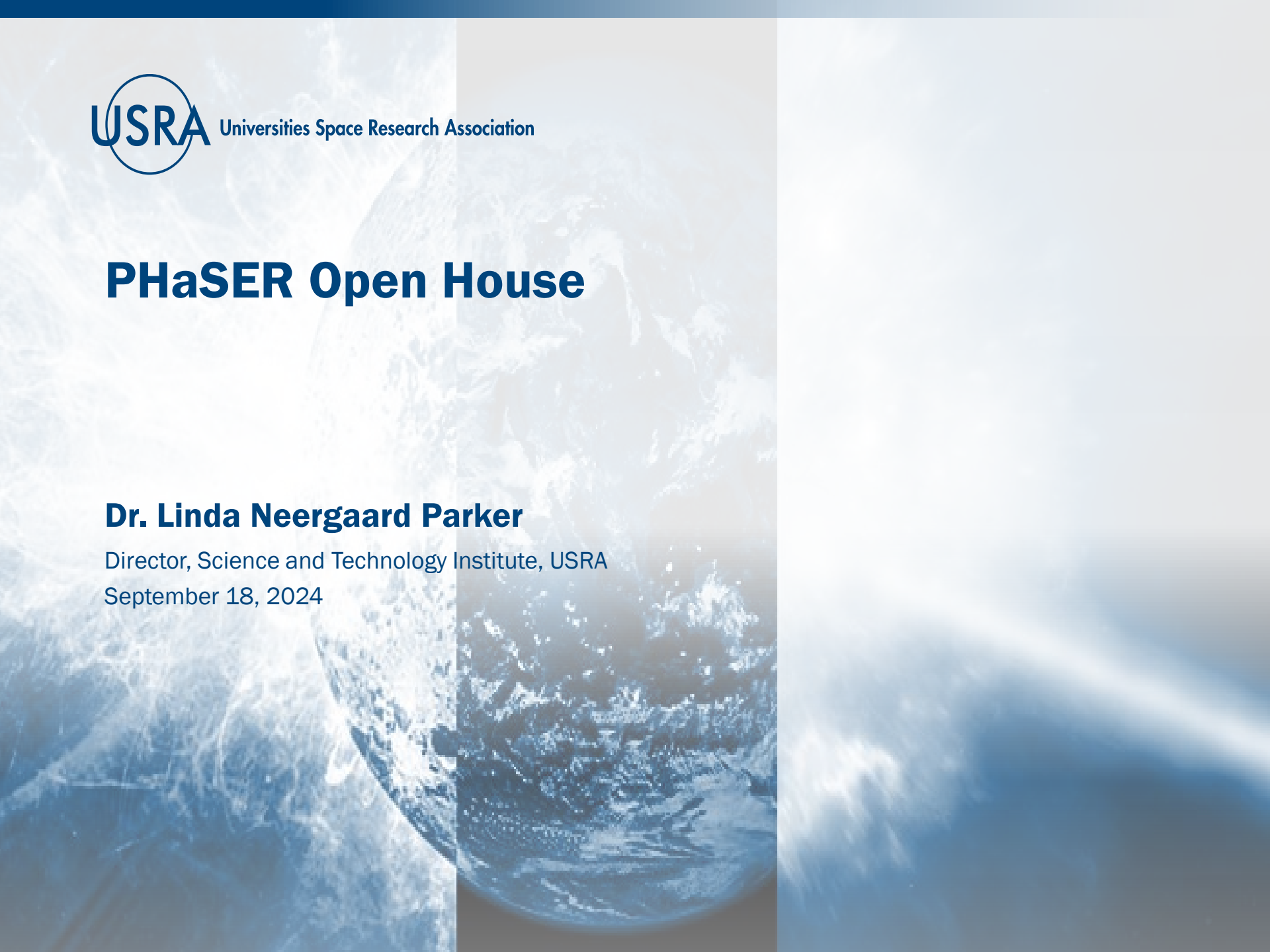

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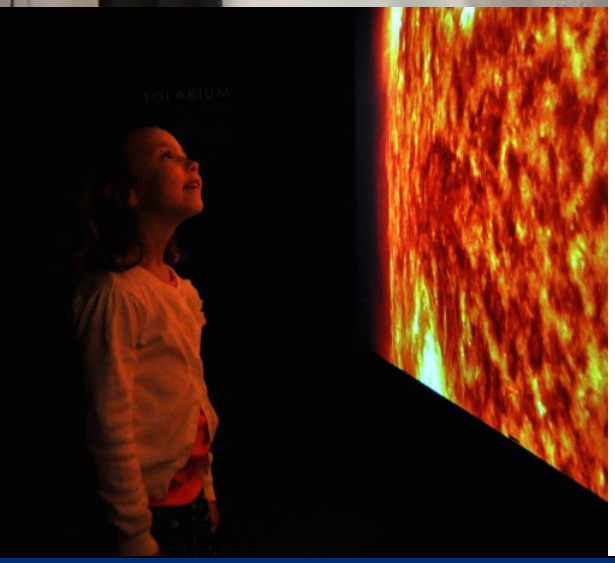

OUR MISSION

- Advance the space- and aeronautics-related sciences and exploration through innovative research, technology, and education programs;
- Promote space and aeronautics policy; and
- Develop and operate premier facilities and programs by involving universities, governments, and the private sector for the benefit of humanity.

OUR VALUES

- **Passion**—for science, technology, and education.
- **Partnerships**—with universities, governments, and the private sector.
- **Professionalism**—through excellence, accountability, and respect for others.

NONPROFIT INDUSTRY TOP WORK PLACES 2021

GSFC Sponsors

- Code 670, Heliophysics Science Division
  - Gina DiBraccio
  - Nick Paschalidis
  - David Sibeck
- Code 671, Solar Physics Laboratory
  - Terry Kucera
  - Nicholeen Viall-Kepko
- Code 673, Geospace Physics Lab
  - Marilia Samara
  - Eftyhia Zesta
- Code 674, Space Weather Lab
  - Laila Mays/Masha Kuznetsova
- Code 675, Ionospheric, Thermospheric, Mesospheric Physics Lab
  - Jeff Klenzing
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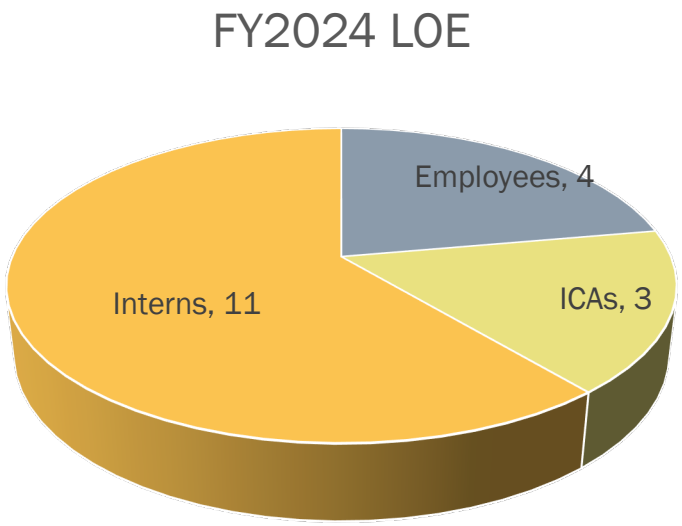

RESEARCH ASSISTANT/INTERN REQUEST PROCESS

Research Assistant (RA) Procedure

- Complete and submit the online RA Request Form
  - Intern's name, email, address
  - Sponsor's name
  - RAD information
  - Badging, Visa related questions
  - Logistics (work location, travel requested, relocation, etc)
- Budget will be prepared and sent to the Sponsor for review and approval
- Sponsor submits for RAD approval routing
- Offer letter sent to RA
- USRA vendor form sent
- Badging appointment

- USRA Visa specialist works with FN.
- Approved Visa information sent to PHaSER security specialist.
- Information needed 60 days prior to start date for entire process

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