

# Welcome Back!

- What's new in the past 2 years?
  - Pandemic, 2 years of mainly remote
  - Chief Scientist, Dr. Paul Antonik retired
    - Dr. Mark Linderman
  - GI President Bill Wolfe retired
    - President Heather Hage
    - GI has a new building
  - Dr. Andy Noga Re-retired, Dec 2020 (11 years with the II)
    - Dr. John Salerno, AFRL Fellow 2006
  - Ms. Elizabeth Kelly resigned, Dec 2021 (10 years with the II)
    - Ms. Dawn Rava-Crofoot
  - The II had a Silver Anniversary in 2021
    - Began 1 Jan 1996
  - US Space Force launched

# AFOSR Summer Faculty Fellowship Program

- Summer 2021
  - 49 Applied, 34 Faculty, 9 Students, total 43
- Summer 2022
  - 36 Applied, 30 Faculty, 14 Students, total 44
- If you're a US Citizen, please *apply to SFFP first!*
  - Summers 2017-2020, 2022 had 100% success
  - “We don't know how deep that well is.” – Dr. Andy Noga
  - SFFP budget increased in 2022
  - Also apply to VFRP
- Bring a student!
  - Lixin Shen, Raj, Mani, Zangyu Guan, James Du
  - LOTS MORE!

## Speaking of students!

# • Maxwell McManus!

- 2022 NDSEG Recipient
  - Dr. Zhangyu Guan, University at Buffalo
  - RI Advisor, Dr. Elizabeth Bentley

# National Defense Science & Engineering Graduate Program

- Better known as NDSEG, US Citizen only
  - About to graduate with BS, Or early in PhD
  - 3 years remaining for PhD
- Perks
  - Annual salary of \$40,800
  - Tuition, Fees, Health insurance allowance, Conference
  - No strings attached
  - Indirect funding for the professor
- 3000 apply
  - 1000 make the 1<sup>st</sup> cut
  - RI looks at Physics, Comp Sci, EE, CompE, Math
  - RI's Chief Scientist makes final rank of 1-15
  - **6 students receive awards based on RI's input**
    - **Close to \$1M each award cycle**
- 165 NDSEG awardees in 2022
  - 55 funded each by Army, Navy, & AFOSR
- 2023 – Application period is 16 Aug – 19 Nov 21
  - Tell us if your student applies!

# Other Funding Opportunities

- **AFRL Science and Technology Fellowship Program (STFP)**
  - Open to US Citizens
  - Opens Quarterly: Feb, May, Aug, Nov
    - 1 August is the next deadline
  - Good for Post Doc, Senior Researchers or Sabbaticals
    - 3 months to 1 year, renewable up to 3 years
  - Don't need to be connected to a university
  - Talk with Dr. Hong Zhao (top floor at the GI)
  - <https://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/RAP/index.htm>
- **Minority Leader – Research Collaboration Program**
  - HBCUs, HSIs, MSIs
  - <https://mlrcp.afresearchlab.com/>
- **NSF Grants** – Professors with an existing NSF Grant can get additional money for a co-op student. [www.nsf.gov/pubs/2021/nsf21029/nsf21029.jsp](http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2021/nsf21029/nsf21029.jsp), US Citizen

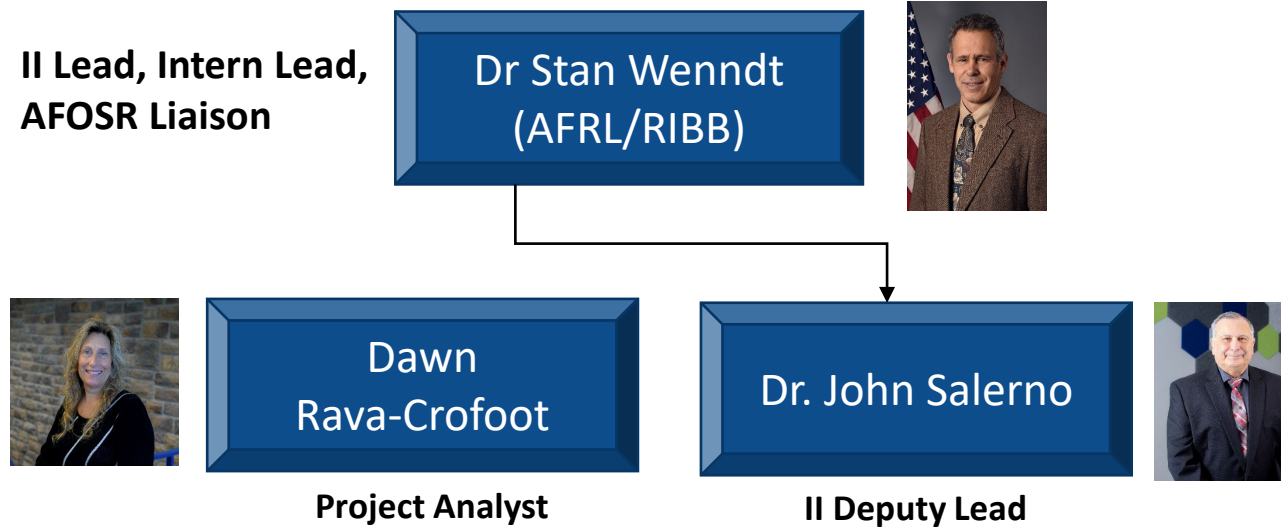
# Summer Events

- **5-minute Introductions (7 Jun 2022: 10:00 – 14:00, ‘old’ GI Auditorium)**
  - Goal: The objective of the 5-minute introductions is to introduce the faculty members that are currently working at Rome. The goal of these quick overviews is to share each other’s research interests for potential collaborations.
  - Hobbies – Tennis (Dr. Xudong He)
- **Poster Board Session (27 July 2022: 15:00 – 17:00, Hangar)**
  - Showcase your research,
  - Foster interaction between AFRL S&Es and Visiting Faculty,
  - Social hour (no Delta Lake Inn Luncheon)
- **II Tech Talks (Jun 9 – Jul 28, every Thursday, 12:00 – 13:00, IAC Auditorium)**
  - Goal: The objective of the II Tech Talks is to introduce participants to various technical areas being worked on. These are to be technical presentations and last no longer the 30 minutes with questions. These presentations will be held both on-site and via zoom.

# Education Partnership Agreements

- The II is a Virtual Organization established through several (>120) Education Partnership Agreements (EPAs)
  - Formal, non-binding agreement, that establishes a mutual understanding between the university and RI
    - Establishes II membership for the university
  - Useful for
    - Equipment exchange
    - Personnel hosting
    - Information exchange
  - Membership benefits
    - Early access to program announcements, II bulletins
    - Notifications, like employment opportunities
    - Research networking/collaborations
- LinkedIn Page – changes coming

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