



SERIIUS

Solar Energy Research Institute for India and the United States



SERIIUS is facilitating joint R&D and related activities on clean energy—by teams of scientists, technologists, and engineers from India and the United States—needed to deploy clean energy technologies rapidly with the greatest impact. The Indo-US Joint Clean Energy R&D Center (JCERDC) will support SERIIUS' multi-institutional network project costs using a public/private partnership funding model.

Vision: To create an environment for cooperation and innovation "without borders" to develop and ready emerging revolutionary solar electricity technologies toward the long-term success of India's Jawaharlal Nehru Solar National Solar Energy Mission and the U.S. Department of Energy SunShot Initiative.

Objectives:

- High-impact R&D, analysis, and assessment (Photovoltaics, Concentrating Solar Power, Solar Energy Integration)
- Identify and quantify critical technical, economic, and policy issues for solar energy development / deployment in India
- Collaborative project structure and joint intellectual property management (teaming)
- Effective bi-national collaboration
- Collaborative culture and outreach
- Workforce development

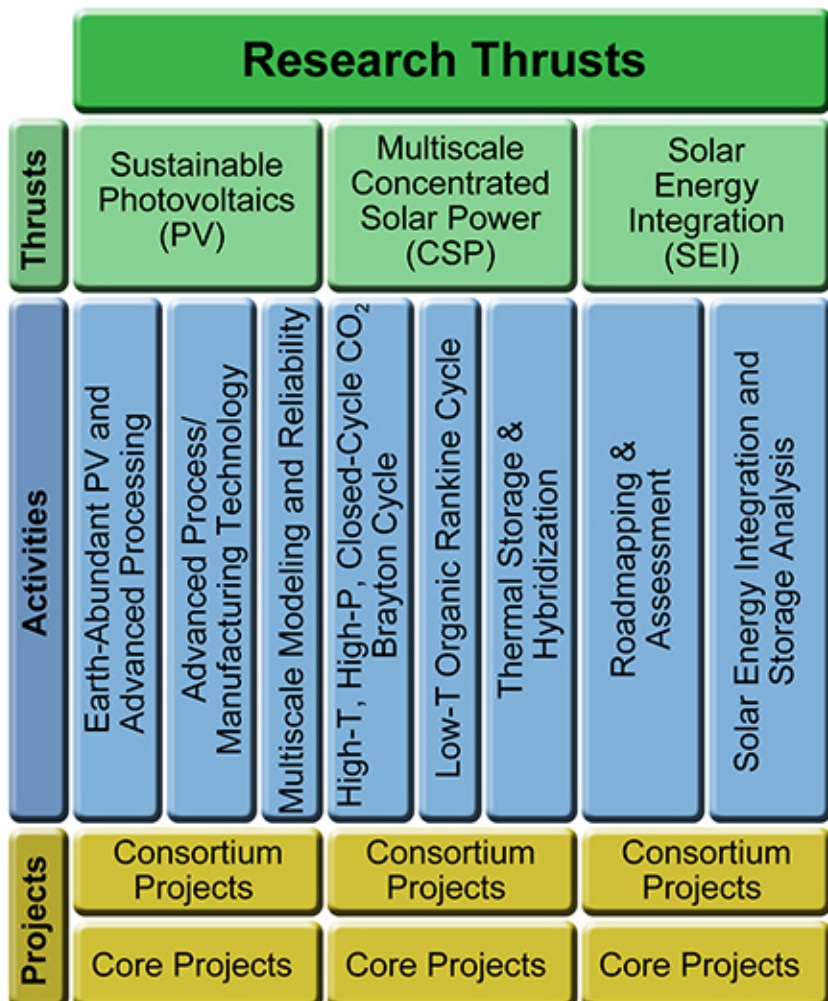
Budget:

\$25 million for 5 years (50% Indian side, 50% US side)
 \$25 million (minimum) matching funds

SERIIUS Research Strategy

Each **Activity** in a **Thrust** comprises:

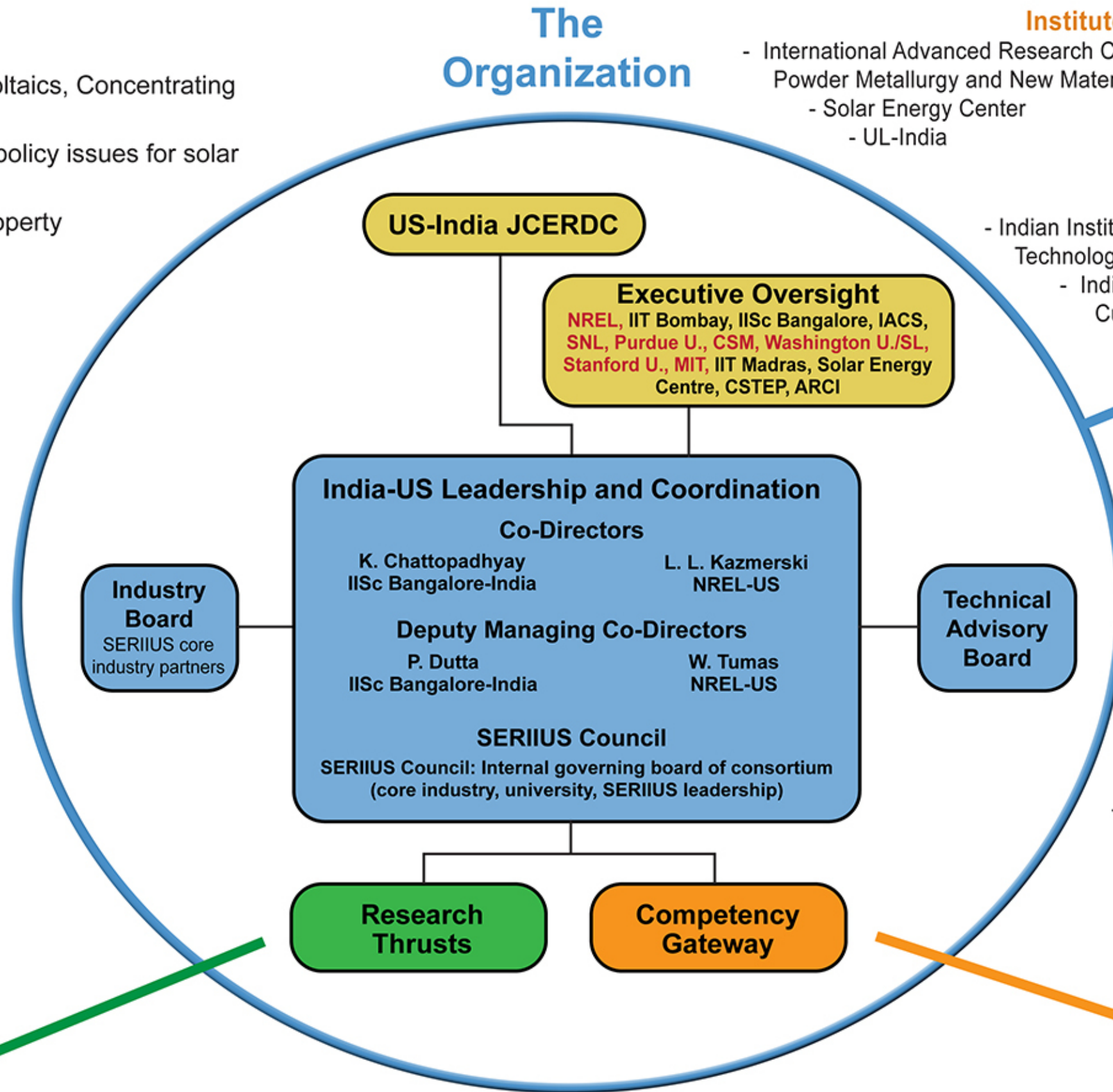
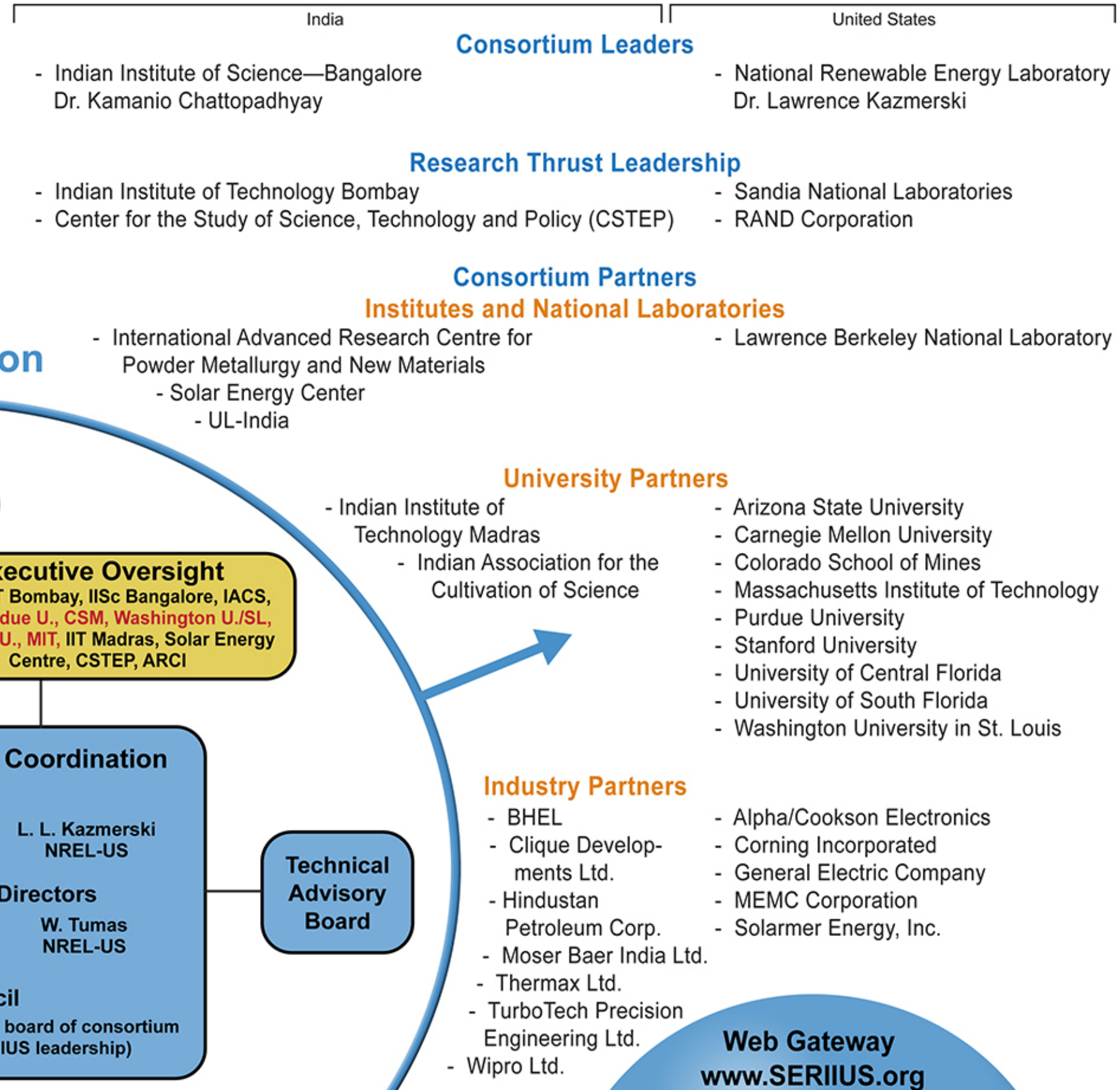
- **Consortium Projects** that are higher risk, pre-competitive disruptive or transformative R&D, and
- **Core Projects** that are led by core industrial partners and focus on specific technical issues identified by industry. Core industry partners provide \$300K in-kind or \$100K cash matching funds.



Objectives of the Research Thrust Activities

Sustainable Photovoltaics		
Earth-Abundant PV & Advanced Processing	Advanced Process/ Manufacturing Technology	Multiscale Modeling & Reliability
Develop new scalable absorbers based on Earth-abundant materials and processes.	Develop ink-based processes for PV elements based on new flexible substrates and printing techniques.	Couple materials to module modeling with real-world reliability testing to provide direct feedback to the materials and process development tasks.
Multiscale Concentrated Solar Power		
High-T, High-P, Closed-Cycle CO₂ Brayton Cycle	Low-T, Organic Rankine Cycle	Thermal Storage & Hybridization
Develop supercritical 20-80 bar 600-800°C Brayton cycle with >50% efficiency (100 kW to 1 MW)	Develop organic Rankine cycle with operating at <330°C and with efficiency >20% (25 kW to 1 MW)	Develop hybridized storage systems for the diverse temperature ranges of the Brayton and Rankine converters in the first two tasks.
Solar Energy Integration		
Roadmapping and Assessment	Solar Energy Integration & Storage Analysis	
Analyze the necessary market, policy, and technology data to develop roadmaps for the bankable deployment options for solar electric conversion.	Quantify the interactions of a diverse set of solar electric generators on the grid in India and predict optimum deployment interconnection, validate the modeling. Look at the impact of localized storage and validate with test systems.	

The Leadership Team and Partners



Web Gateway
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- First entry with introduction to SERIIUS
- General information and public awareness
- Portal to social media
- Publication and technical dissemination
- New partner entrée

Access to Partner Research & Interaction Hubs

Modeling & Simulation Hub

- Solar (PV, CSP) modeling
- Simulation routines ADEPT toolbox
- Materials and device design
- Computational science portal

Remote Access Hub

- Remote learning and training
- Secure intra-SERIIUS communications
- On-line equipment, data acquisition
- Material and device design

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The SERIIUS Web Gateway —

- The point of connection and communication for internal and external exchanges
- The entrée for new partners
- Will be our innovative cyber infrastructure for transformative scientific discovery and interaction.

