“CONNECTING INNOVATIVE R&D THROUGH BUILDING AN INNOVATIVE CULTURE & REGIONAL ENTREPRENEURIAL CAPACITY”
- A METAPHORICAL JOURNEY

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Though a series of lessons learned, leveraging best practices, innovative business models, peer-reviewed articles and experiential programs — Meyers will outline his philosophy and leadership vision for inspiring a sustainable Innovative Culture and scaling campus-wide Entrepreneurial Capacity for driving regional Tech-based Economic Development (TBED) initiatives regionally. Innovation is a catalyst and facilitator for intentional, diversity-based entrepreneurship across the curriculum. We will focus on architecting new ventures from MS&T to R&D — and job creation via tech commercialization that can launch, grow and be the anchor for a more resilient...

About the candidate:
Chris Meyers currently serves as an executive leader in the Richard P. Feynman Center for Innovation, for Los Alamos National Laboratory (DOE). He's responsible for cultivating new R&D sponsors (for PI's), industrial collaborations & partnerships, invention disclosures, assessing commercial market potential of intellectual property (IP) assets and commercialization of IP through licensing, spin-offs or start-ups. Meyers specializes in Lab-to-Market (L2M) commercialization — the ideation, conceptualization of new tech ventures, refining product/market fit and designing initial “go-to-market” sales/marketing strategies for tech-based startups. He has directed and managed a federally funded tech incubator and negotiated licenses of technology from major R1 and federal labs for a private incubator and captive venture fund. Chris has operated in numerous culturally diverse metropolitan U.S. cities as well as in Philippines, Ukraine and Portugal. Chris Meyers holds a B.A. in Geology from Mercyhurst University and a M.S. in Science & Technology Commercialization (MSTC) through the IC2 Institute at the University of Texas @ Austin. Chris is a native of Erie County, Pennsylvania and in his spare time enjoys fly-fishing, snow-skiing, boating, biking/hiking and training his Belgian Malinois working dog – “Romeo”.

Friday
Aug. 5, 2022
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In-Person:
121 Computer Science

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Finalist for position of:
Associate Vice Chancellor for Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Commercialization