

Advisory Group Profile	Information Technology Strategic Planning and Resources Coordinating Council (IT-SPARCC)
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<b>Purpose</b>
The Council is the strategic coordinating body for information technology at MIT. Under the direction of the Vice President for Information Services & Technology, IT-SPARCC will advise the Provost and Executive Vice-President on policies and priorities for IT infrastructure and services across the Institute. Recommendations from the Council will feed directly into the decisions for capital allocation, annual budgets, and rate structures.

Chair:	Jerry Grochow, Vice President for Information Services and Technology
Deputy Chair:	Patrick Dreher, Associate Director, Laboratory for Nuclear Science

<b>Key Services</b>
Reviews the broad information technology issues impacting the Institute and makes recommendations relative, but not limited, to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ distribution of IT services and service providers</li> <li>▪ budgeting and charging mechanisms for information systems needs</li> <li>▪ allocation of Institute general budget across academic, administrative, and research computing</li> <li>▪ overall state of computing infrastructure, priorities for upgrade, and funding mechanisms</li> <li>▪ administrative system priorities relative to broad Institute priorities</li> <li>▪ academic system priorities relative to broad Institute priorities</li> <li>▪ space allocation needs for information technology</li> </ul>

<b>Criteria for Membership</b>
Membership on IT-SPARCC is drawn from senior members of key Institute advisory groups, laboratories, academic departments and schools and is attained through invitations to participate by the Executive Vice President and/or Provost.

<b>Members</b>	
Hal Abelson, Professor, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Co-Chair, MITCET	Jim Morgan, Institute Controller
Gerald Banner, CIO, Lincoln Laboratory	Robert Redwine, Professor, Physics Dean, Undergraduate Education; Co-Chair, MITCET
Rodney Brooks, Professor, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science; Director, Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory	Israel Ruiz, Associate Director, Office of Budget and Financial Planning
Steven Eppinger, Professor and Deputy Dean, Sloan School of Management	Robert Silbey, Professor, Department of Chemistry Dean of Science
Lorna Gibson, Professor, Material Sciences & Engineering; Chair-Elect of the Faculty	Ann Wolpert, Director, MIT Libraries
Thomas Hrycaj, Administrative Officer, Plasma Science and Fusion Center	Christine Cavanna Fitzgerald, Staff to the Council

Terms of membership and leadership	Ongoing
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Meeting frequency	Meets the last Wednesday of each month
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