



Dr. Dan E. Arvizu

Biography

Dan Arvizu has had a long, distinguished career in advanced energy research and development, materials science, and technology commercialization. In 2015, he retired as the longest serving Director of the U.S. Department of Energy's National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) in Golden, Colorado, where he is now Director Emeritus. He is also currently serving as a Precourt Energy Scholar at Stanford University. Prior to joining NREL, Arvizu was a chief technology officer with CH2M HILL Companies, Ltd., an executive with Sandia National Laboratories, and started his career at the AT&T Bell Telephone Laboratories.

Appointed by two U.S. presidents, and twice confirmed by the full U.S. Senate, Arvizu served two 6-year terms on the 24-member National Science Board, which governs the National Science Foundation and advises the President and Congress on science policy. He served as Chairman of the Board from 2012 to 2016. He is an elected Fellow of the National Academy of Engineering and the National Academy of Public Administration.

Arvizu serves on a number of boards, panels, and advisory committees, including the MRIGlobal Board of Trustees, the Singapore International Advisory Panel on Energy, the State Farm Mutual Insurance Board of Directors, and the Stanford Precourt Institute for Energy Advisory Council.

Arvizu has a bachelor's of science in mechanical engineering from New Mexico State University, and a master's of science and Ph.D. in mechanical engineering from Stanford University.