

Mr. Timothy Smith Bio

Mr. Smith has been Chief of the Space Technology Project Office at the NASA Glenn Research Center since 2018. This office manages advanced space technology projects supporting the NASA Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD). Prior to this position he was a project manager for both aeronautics and space technology projects. He began his project management career in 2002 as the deputy project manager for Revolutionary Aeronautics Concepts project. In 2006 he joined the Propulsion and Cryogenics Advanced Development project as the propulsion manager, eventually serving as the deputy project manager from 2007-11. Starting in 2012 he was the In-Space Propulsion manager for a variety of space chemical propulsion, nuclear thermal propulsion, and space electric propulsion advanced developments.

Smith began his career at Glenn as an aerospace engineering in 1991 performing experimental and analytical research in space propulsion. He has conducted research in both chemical rocket propulsion and gas turbine engines. He been an author or co-author on over 35 technical publications and articles.

Smith earned a bachelor's and master's degrees in aerospace engineering from the University of Michigan.