The session will describe the SERP partnership model, highlighting both replicable contributors to success and challenges that must be addressed in order to ensure long-term viability.

Two central features of success will be elaborated by panelists: (1) long-term, multi-disciplinary collaborations that allow for coherent knowledge-building as multiple lines of related work emerge over time, and (2) design capacity that plays a central role in shaping research knowledge to solve problems of practice.

Insights regarding both the benefits and challenges of the partnership model for districts will be provided by a "next generation" education leader who engaged deeply with SERP in one district, and brought SERP and other partnership work into a new district on a larger scale.