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- Objective of presentations w/open dialogue
- Pre-competitive, early stage areas of research opportunities focus
- Low Technology Readiness Levels
- Each facilitated discussion session will begin with an opening intro presentation either directly related to the discussion topics, or a higher level intro to initiate discussion
• Ranges from 1–10 (from basic science to product ready for the market)
• “Low-TRL” = TRL 1–3
• The word “engineering” first shows up in the definition of TRL 6.
• TRL 1 = Basic principles observed and reported.
• TRL 2 = Technology concept and/or concept formulated. Moves the idea from pure to applied research.
• TRL 3 = Analytical and experimental critical function and/or characteristic proof of concept
• TRL 4 = Component and/or system validation in laboratory environment. First step in determining whether the individual components will work together as system.