

# QED-C® Executive Director Celia Merzbacher Named a 2025 Fed 100 Winner

*Prestigious Award Recognizes Those Who Make Outstanding Contributions to US Federal Technology Over the Past Year*

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Executive Director*

Development Consortium ([QED-C](#)) today announced that Executive Director Celia Merzbacher has been [named](#) a 2025 Fed 100 Award Winner. The Fed 100 Awards recognize the “best and brightest” for their exemplary work done in federal technology over the past year.

As QED-C’s leader, Celia is recognized as a respected, credible, data-driven voice for the quantum technology community. In 2024, Celia went above and beyond to bridge the gap between federal agencies and the quantum industry by establishing a baseline of communication and understanding to inform the quantum strategies and

roadmaps of both government agencies and private stakeholders.

“I am truly honored to have been selected as a 2025 Fed 100 winner,” says Celia Merzbacher. “Quantum technologies will fundamentally change computing and in the process will pose both opportunities and threats to the way government agencies operate and accomplish their missions. A key priority in executing the mission of QED-C is bringing government agencies together with industry to help accelerate the use of quantum technologies to address the needs of government, including in defense, health, finance, energy, and transportation.”

Celia has led QED-C since 2021. Under her leadership, the organization has grown to nearly 250 member companies from 19 countries. The consortium is a trusted voice of the quantum industry and empowers its members to advance quantum for broad benefits to the economy and national security.

For over 35 years, the Fed 100 program has honored individuals from government, industry, and academia who have dedicated themselves to producing outstanding work on behalf of the American public, according to GovExec, who runs the program. Fed 100 winners are selected for going far beyond the letter of their job descriptions to achieve remarkable impacts for

government agencies and the American people.

Recipients will be featured in the NextGov/FCW Magazine and were honored at a gala celebration on April 3 in Washington, DC.

About QED-C:

The Quantum Economic Development Consortium (QED-C) is the world's premier association of pioneers in the quantum technology marketplace. QED-C was established with support from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) as part of the Federal strategy for advancing quantum information science and as called for by the National Quantum Initiative Act. Members of QED-C enable the real-world application of quantum technology, and, in turn, grow a robust commercial industry and supply chain.

QED-C is managed by SRI. More information: <https://quantumconsortium.org/>.

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