



NGA NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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Ms. Christina Monaco joined the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) in April 2013 and since October of 2017 has served as NGA's Chief Ventures Officer. Director of NGA's Corporate Assessment and Program Evaluation Office. In this role, she coordinates NGA's innovation initiatives with agency stakeholders, government partners, industry and academia, focusing on innovation and the incubation and adoption of new ventures that create unique combinations of people, process, and technology to sustain NGA competitive advantage. She also leads NGA's acquisition innovation efforts, strategy, and manages relationships with the commercial sector.



Ms. Monaco has served in a number of positions within the intelligence community. Her federal career began in 1990 with the Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI) in Task Force 168, and she worked in human intelligence (HUMINT) and foreign materiel programs for several years. From 1996 to 1999, she served as the Foreign Intelligence Liaison Officer for the Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Naval Forces Europe intelligence staff, based in Naples, Italy. In 2001, she moved to the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) and there served in the Defense HUMINT Service foreign materiel acquisition program office and later the Executive Director's staff. From 2003 through 2009, Ms. Monaco served in DIA's Chief Financial Executive element in a series of assignments, including the Defense Intelligence Resource Management Office (General Defense Intelligence Program staff). She was appointed as a Defense Intelligence Senior Level executive in 2007 as the Senior Financial Expert for HUMINT Management, and in 2008 she was additionally appointed as the Deputy Chief Financial Executive for HUMINT and CI. She transitioned to DIA's Office of Congressional and Public Affairs in 2009 as the Chief of Congressional Relations.

Ms. Monaco joined NGA on a Joint Duty Assignment in 2013 as the Chief of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, and later served as the Deputy Director of NGA's Office of Corporate Communications. In 2015 she was permanently appointed to NGA as a member of the Defense Intelligence Senior Executive Service, and has served as the Deputy Director of NGA's Xperience Directorate, where she led the transformation of NGA into a customer-centric and consequence-focused organization, and as Director of Corporate Assessment and Program Evaluation, where she led analysis of resource allocations, evaluation of Agency initiatives and activities, agency cost estimation activities, and customer value and business intelligence analytics.

Ms. Monaco was born in Nashville, Tennessee, grew up in Ormond Beach, Florida, and currently resides in Alexandria, Virginia. She is a graduate of Vanderbilt University, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Russian and English. Ms. Monaco has also earned a Master of International Management degree with a concentration in International Commerce from the University of Maryland, and a Master of Science degree in National Resource Strategy from the National Defense University's Industrial College of the Armed Forces, from which she graduated with highest distinction.