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Julie Cerqueira most recently served as the Executive Director of the U.S. Climate Alliance, a bipartisan coalition of governors working together to advance the most ambitious state climate agenda in our nation's history. As its inaugural director, Ms. Cerqueira played an integral role in building the coalition from the ground up and provided the tools, resources and technical expertise to help two dozen governors deliver on their climate and clean energy priorities. Prior to that, she served as a Senior Advisor to the Special Envoy for Climate Change at the U.S. Department of State where she led U.S. engagement in strategic partnerships, such as the Climate and Clean Air Coalition and the U.S.-Brazil Climate Change Working Group. Among other things, she also helped negotiate climate deliverables for high profile events such as the North American Leaders Summit, created the climate pillar of the U.S. Chairmanship of the Arctic Council, and launched the Brazil Climate Innovation Lab to mobilize climate investments overseas. Prior to her work in the federal government, Ms. Cerqueira worked with developing countries to design and implement climate policies and financial instruments at the climate think tank Center for Clean Air Policy, advised U.S. companies at the American Chamber of Commerce in Indonesia to expand U.S. investments overseas, and served as a U.S. Peace Corps Volunteer in the Philippines working with teachers and farmers to promote economic development and environmental stewardship. Ms. Cerqueira also worked in the private sector and for non-profits. She has a M.A. in International Political Economy and Development from Fordham University, and a B.S. in Biotechnology from Worcester Polytechnic Institute. ic Forum Global Leadership Fellow.