



Ms Melanie Nakagawa

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Biography

As Microsoft's Chief Sustainability Officer, Ms Melanie Nakagawa leads the company's commitments to become carbon negative, water positive, and zero waste by 2030.

She brings nearly two decades of experience at the nexus of policy, business, and technology, most recently serving as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Climate and Energy on the National Security Council at the White House. Prior to the White House, Melanie helped launch Princeville Capital's inaugural global growth equity climate technology fund, investing in companies delivering transformative solutions to climate change. She also served as a strategic advisor to Secretary of State John Kerry on climate change and environmental issues and held roles in the U.S. Senate and with the Natural Resources Defense Council.

Melanie has a JD and MA from American University and AB from Brown University.