

## **Vera Ashworth**

Vera is speaking at AFFIRM in her personal capacity as Co-Chair of the Climate Change Working Group for ACT-IAC.

She sits on the AFFIRM board and is active in many industry government groups primarily focused on IT and acquisition.

Vera has over 20 years of experience as a Federal and private sector leader in IT, policy, strategic planning, and budget. In her day job, she is currently Acting Chief of Staff to the Chief Information Officer of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) within the Department of Commerce. Previously at GSA she served as the Acting Executive Director of the Technology Modernization Fund (TMF) Program Management Office (PMO), Government-wide IT Category Manager, Deputy Assistant Commissioner in the Office of Information Technology Category (ITC) and stood up the Government-wide IT Vendor Management Office (ITVMO). When at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), she worked in the Superfund Enforcement program before serving as Branch Chief in the Office of the Chief Financial Officer overseeing the formulation and execution of the hazardous waste and emergency response budgets - nearly \$2B. In between Federal tours, she supported Defense, EPA, State Department, and Department of Justice clients on transformative modernization projects as well as EPA's highly-regarded Open Government and transparency programs.

Adept at envisioning, developing, and delivering sustainable services and solutions that translate into customer and taxpayer value, she is a results-driven collaborator and leader and a recipient of the 2018 Federal 100 awards.