



Thursday, May 7th, 2026

“Foreign Direct Investment in Kansas: Opportunities, Trajectories, and Strategic Pathways for Growth”

Wichita Country Club, 8501 E 13th St N, Wichita, Kansas, 67206

11:30 am - Social

12:00 pm - Lunch

12:30 pm - Keynote Address: Laura Lombard

**— Director of the International Division at the
Kansas Department of Commerce**

1:15 pm - Discussion / Questions / Adjourn

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Social, Dinner & Presentation: Members—\$30.00 Non-members—\$40.00

WSU Student—\$20.00



Bio: Director of the International Division at the Kansas Department of Commerce

Ms. Laura Lombard

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Laura Lombard

Director of the International Division

Kansas Department of Commerce

Laura Lombard is the Director of the International Division for the Department of Commerce. The mission of the International Division is to expand Kansas’ exports and attract foreign direct investment to the state.

She was previously the President & CEO of Kansas Global Trade Services. Laura participated on the U.S. Department of Commerce’s International Trade Advisory Committee (ITAC-9) on Small, Minority, and Women-Led Businesses. She also serves as the Vice Chair of the Mid-America District Export Council. Laura graduated from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies with a master’s degree in international relations and economics. She also has a B.A. in political science and international studies from the University of Kansas.

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