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Kimberley Van Vliet is a leading voice in Canada's innovation and defence ecosystem, renowned for bridging commercial and military sectors across aerospace, defence, security, energy, mining, agriculture, construction, manufacturing, and advanced technologies in all industries. She is the Founder & CEO of WāVv, a strategic consultancy driving dual-use technology development, and the visionary behind **ConvergeX®**, the world's first global congress uniting cross-sector decision-makers to accelerate mission-critical innovation.

Kimberley serves as Canada's Deputy Chair for the NATO Industrial Advisory Group's (NIAG) relationship with Allied Command Transformation (ACT), where she focuses on Innovation, C4ISR, Multi-Domain Operations, Long Term Aspects, and Digital Transformation. She also contributes to NATO SPACENET and supports industry engagement with NATO's DIANA, NCIA, SHAPE, and NSPA to name a few.

As Director of Calgary's **Aerospace Innovation Hub**, she champions startup growth and technology validation in a globally connected aerospace testbed. Recognized among Canada's **Top 20 Women in Defence** and a Governor General's Canadian Leadership Conference alumna, Kimberley brings a strategic, cross-industry perspective to advancing Canadian aerospace, defence, and security priorities on the global stage.