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Sirisha Bandla is the Vice President of Government Affairs for Virgin Galactic.

Sirisha has supported Virgin Galactic and Virgin Orbit over the past five years –

supporting both LauncherOne and

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growing the presence of both companies inside the beltway through engagement with Congress, the White House, and NASA. Sirisha leads Virgin Galactic's efforts on policy, regulation and the business development program for scientific payloads.

Previously, Sirisha served as the Associate Director for the Commercial Spaceflight Federation, an industry association of commercial spaceflight companies. At CSF, Sirisha works on various policies with the aim to promote the commercial space industry and make commercial spaceflight a reality. Before CSF, she worked as an aerospace engineer designing components for advanced aircraft at L-3 Communications in Greenville, Texas.

She has a Bachelors of Science degree in aeronautical/astronautical engineering from Purdue and holds a Masters of Business Administration from George Washington University. Sirisha currently serves on the Board of Directors for the American Astronautical Society, Future Space Leaders Foundation, and is a member of the Young Professional Advisory Council at Purdue University. She also helps to coordinate the Matthew Isakowitz Fellowship Program, a mentorship program for students interested in pursuing a career in the commercial space industry.