

Kyle M. Lampela

Director of Operations and Integration



Kyle M. Lampela, a member of the Senior Executive Service (SES), is the Director of the Operations and Integration Directorate (OI) for the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA). Mr. Lampela oversees all efforts of the directorate, which is responsible for applying advanced information technology, all-source intelligence and operational research analytics, operations and planning, interagency and partner coordination, and training support to enable the Department of Defense to counter weapons of mass destruction and improvised threats including their supporting facilitation networks.

Mr. Lampela became the OI Director after serving as the OI Deputy Director. Prior to joining OI, Mr. Lampela was the Chief of Staff for DTRA where he served as the principal staff advisor to the Director. He was responsible for standardization and integration of all administrative and operational support activities. His office researched, evaluated and formulated plans, policies, programs, strategies, and courses of action for the Agency and also provided advice and counsel to DTRA senior leadership.

Mr. Lampela graduated from the United States Air Force Academy in 1984. During his service within the USAF, he accumulated more than 3,500 flight hours as a command pilot, flying a wide variety of aircraft including the U-2 Dragon Lady reconnaissance plane and the C-141 Starlifter and C-5 Galaxy military transport planes. He is a veteran of operations Desert Storm, Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom as well as combat activities in Somalia, Bosnia, and Kosovo. Mr. Lampela deployed as the Deputy Commander for Operations, 407th Expeditionary Group, Tallil Airbase, Iraq, in 2005-2006. His last military assignments were as the Chief of the Operations Division of the USSTRATCOM Center for Combating Weapons of Mass Destruction (SCC-WMD), and Deputy Director of the Combating WMD Enterprise.

Following his retirement from active duty as a colonel in 2009, Mr. Lampela served nearly six years as the Chief of Staff for DTRA's Research and Development Directorate. In 2015 he served as a Brookings Institute Legislative Fellow in the House of Representatives where he worked as a Legislative Assistant to Congressman Mike Coffman of Colorado's 6th District. In this role, he provided advice to the Congressman, drafted legislation and met with constituents on issues relating to Congress's role in overseeing military, strategic forces, space, cyber and foreign relations issues.

Mr. Lampela earned a Bachelor of Science in Management from the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado, a Master of Science in Systems Management from the University of Southern California - Los Angeles, and a Master of Science in Strategic Studies from Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. He was also a Senior Executive Fellow at the Kennedy School of Leadership, Harvard University, in Cambridge, Massachusetts.