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Audrey Russo started as president and chief executive officer at the Pittsburgh Technology Council in early October of 2007. She brought with her a unique mix of experience that included responsibilities for profit and loss, business processes, contract negotiations, client relationships, project management, business development and resource management. As a senior-level human resources and information technology strategist, she led successful efforts to deploy and optimize global IT systems and improve global access to information. She has taught at the university level, and her previous employers and clients run the gamut from entrepreneurial tech to public service non-profits to large Fortune 500 companies.

The intersection of her varied experience is perfectly well suited to lead the Pittsburgh Technology Council at its 25-year mark into a future that will emphasize service and a return on Council member's investment.

Four areas of broad focus within the Pittsburgh region serve as beacons: a competitive business climate, the availability of risk capital, workforce development/workforce education and developing an entrepreneurial culture. Audrey's challenge is to translate these objectives into actionable delivery of value directly to the Council's members, partners and constituents.

The Pittsburgh Technology Council is the first and largest regional technology trade associations in the United States with approximately 1,400 member companies within its geographic territory of 13 counties in southwestern Pennsylvania. Its mission is to contribute to the success of the region's technology businesses, and it focuses on developing the economic strength of several industry clusters, including information technology, life sciences, advanced manufacturing, advanced materials and environmental technology.