

## **Balkiz Sarihan**

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Balkiz Sarihan joined Airbus' leadership team of Urban Air Mobility (UAM) to focus on the industry, business, and service ecosystem of urban mobility through strategic partnerships.

Sarihan combines elements from a diverse career in Programs, Operational, Business, and Strategic roles in both North America and Europe, with the ability to translate vision into a shared path of execution. With a customer-centric focus, she is a believer in business with a purpose, a creator connections, and a constant collaborator.



Sarihan is a proven business builder with previous successes in setting up and leading green field ventures from concept to delivery including classic and digital platform businesses. Previously, she worked in Business Development, Strategy and Commercial for Vector Aerospace in Canada for close to eight years before joining Airbus Helicopters in 2015. Sarihan holds a MBA from Simon Fraser University following her Bachelor of Commerce from the University of British Columbia, Canada.