



WACC Executive Series Laura Phillips Senior Vice President of Global Sustainability at Walmart Thursday, October 17th Hilton Charlotte Center City (222 E. 3rd Street) **VIP Reception:** 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | **Lunch:** 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.



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WACC Executive Series with Laura Phillips

Laura is responsible for leading the development, cross-sectional coordination and implementation of key sustainability initiatives that focus on emissions avoidance, waste reduction, and product sourcing and related programmatic areas. Her team works with Walmart associates, suppliers, non-profit organizations, academics, industry associations and other key stakeholders to drive progress towards Walmart's environmental goals to:

- Achieve an 18% emissions reduction in its operations by 2025, compared to a 2015 baseline.
- Work with suppliers to avoid 1 billion metric tons of greenhouse gases from the global value chain by 2030.
- Be powered by 50% renewable sources by 2025.
- Achieve zero waste to landfill from its operations in key markets, including the U.S., U.K., Japan and Canada in accordance with the Zero Waste International Alliance guidelines.
- More sustainably source 20 key commodities by 2025.

Before being selected to lead the Walmart sustainability team in 2015, she spent more than 20 years with the retailer in a variety of other executive leadership positions that included advancing Walmart's omnichannel enterprise initiatives and merchandising strategy for Walmart's U.S. stores.

Laura earned a bachelor of science in finance from the University of Florida, as well as a master of business administration from the University of Arkansas. She also is a graduate of the Global 2020 program at the Tuck Business School at Dartmouth College. She resides in Rogers, Arkansas with her husband, John, and their two children, Jack and Kate.

Presenting Sponsor - \$2,500

- Two tables of 8 with preferred seating at the luncheon
- Attendance for all 18 representatives at the VIP reception
- Two seats at the Head Table with speaker
- Opportunity for a key executive to introduce speaker
- Logo on WACC home page and online invitations
- Photograph of your group with speaker
- Recognition from podium and banner displayed at the event

Attaché Sponsor - \$750

- Four seats with preferred seating at the luncheon
- Logo on WACC home page and online invitations
- Photograph of your group with speaker

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- Eight seats with preferred seating at the luncheon
- Attendance for all 9 representatives at the VIP reception
- One seat at the Head Table with speaker
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