

## **ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT**

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After starting her career at Praxair in 1991 as a development associate in the company's R&D organization, Anne moved up the ranks via management positions.

In 1996 she became global marketing manager for chemicals and refining, and became a pipeline sales and business manager in the North American Industrial Gases unit three years later.

From there she was named area director, in which she was responsible for commercial activities related to pipeline and merchant atmospheric products, and in 2006 became the vice-president of the U.S. South Region. She was appointed vice-president of global sales several years later.

With her appointment as president of Praxair Electronics in 2010 she was tasked with global responsibility for products, services, and technologies supplied to the semiconductor, flat-panel display, LED and photovoltaic industries in Asia, Europe and North America.

The following year she became president of Praxair Asia, where she led the growth and profitability of business in China, South Korea and Thailand until accepting her current position.

Anne earned her bachelor's degree from Villanova University and holds four patents for industrial gas applications.