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Pamela Ward is a Minister Counselor in the Senior Foreign Service and is the new Regional Senior Commercial Officer for South East Europe. She will be based in Bucharest and is scheduled to arrive in September 2021. The region includes five Commercial Service offices in Croatia, Serbia, Greece, Bulgaria and Romania as well as five Department of State partner offices in Cypress, Montenegro, Moldova, North Macedonia, and Bosnia and Herzegovina. Ms. Ward has extensive prior experience in Europe, having previously served as the Deputy Senior Commercial Officer for Trade Policy at the U.S. Mission to the European Union in Brussels, Belgium (2015-2017), where she provided policy and strategic direction for the 23 CS operations in the European region; as Deputy Senior Commercial Officer in Paris, France (2012-2015), as the Senior Commercial Officer in Zagreb, Croatia (2008-2011); as Deputy Senior Commercial Officer in The Hague, The Netherlands (2002-2004), and as Commercial Attaché in Budapest, Hungary (1999-2002). Ms. Ward most recently served in Johannesburg, South Africa as the Minister Counselor for Commercial Affairs and Regional Senior Commercial Officer for Sub-Saharan Africa, leading over 50 trade professionals from eight Commercial Service posts (South Africa, Nigeria, Angola, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, and Mozambique) and providing oversight to 24 partner posts in one of the Commercial Service's largest and most diverse regions. This was her second assignment in South Africa, having served there as the Deputy Senior Commercial Officer from 2004-2007.

Prior to joining the Foreign Commercial Service, Ms. Ward served in the United States Commercial Service's Export Assistance Center network as the Manager of the Eugene (Oregon) Export Assistance Center and as an International Trade Specialist in Newport Beach, California. Ms. Ward entered government service in 1992 as an Import Compliance Specialist investigating unfair trade practice allegations for the U.S. Department of Commerce's Import Administration. Prior to her government service, she worked in the international trade and shipping logistics departments of several multinational firms. Ms. Ward holds a degree in Business Administration and International Marketing from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. She is married with two children. At varying levels of proficiency, she speaks Hungarian, Croatian, French, and Japanese.