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Jane Datta is a human resources leader with over thirty years of experience. She is currently a Senior Fellow and Federal Government Forum Leader for Human Capital with The Conference Board, serving on the steering committee for the Federal Government Council. She advises on creating healthy, engaged workplaces, understanding workforce risks and opportunities, and modernizing human resources through technology and analytics.

Jane recently retired from NASA, where she was the Chief Human Capital Officer, responsible for building the talent for supporting the agency's mission, delivering out-of-this-world human resources services, and shaping NASA's culture to maintain high employee engagement. Jane embraced that "we are people leaders in the people business," which guided her oversight of NASA's human capital policies, practices, and operations. One of her most rewarding achievements at NASA was overseeing the transformation of decentralized human capital services across ten centers to a centralized line of business. Prior to NASA, Jane was a human resources consultant at Booz Allen Hamilton and held multiple human resources roles at United Technologies Corporation.

Jane holds an MBA from Northwestern University's Kellogg Graduate School of Management and a BA in music from Yale University. She was a 2022 Presidential Rank Award recipient—Meritorious Executive, the highest award for federal government employees, bestowed on a select group of the Senior Executive Service for exceptional performance.