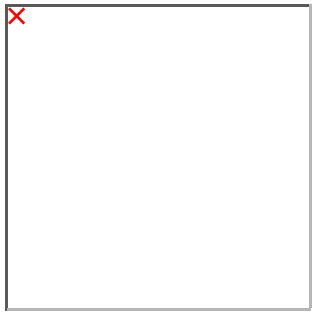

# Kristen Anderson

Former Chief Diversity Officer
Barilla

Kristen is currently the Chief Diversity Officer for Barilla and has been a member of the D&I Board since its formation in 2013. Kristen reports to the CEO of Barilla and leads a 12 member D&I Board, comprised of internal members from 8 key countries and 2 external advisors.

Previously, Kristen was VP of R&D for the Asia, Africa and Australia region for Barilla, based in Singapore. She joined Barilla in 2010 as VP of Research, based at the Barilla Headquarters in Parma, Italy.

After a Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering, Kristen joined Kraft Foods R&D in Chicago, where she spent 10 years in positions of increasing responsibility in various roles.

In 1999, she relocated to Melbourne, Australia to assume the leadership of the R&D organization for Kraft Australia/NZ. After 3 years, she moved to Munich, Germany to manage R&D for the Kraft EU Food Categories. In 2007, she joined the Coca Cola Company and transferred to Shanghai, China to lead the building of the Global Innovation and Technology Center and the expansion of the R&D organization's capabilities.