



Shilpa Amato
Executive Vice President



Shilpa received a BS in Chemical Engineering from Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in 2002 and MS in Engineering Management at The George Washington University in 2010. Shilpa joined Nalas in 2012, welcoming the opportunity to work with her mentor and Nalas CEO, Jerry Salan. As EVP, Shilpa is responsible for business development, financial operations, contract administration and project portfolio management. Prior to joining Nalas, Shilpa worked for the Department of Navy for nearly 10 years. During this time, she gained significant hands-on experience working on the development and safe scale-up of energetic materials and their processes from the laboratory to pilot plant while working for Naval Surface Warfare Center Indian Head Division. She later went on to manage several successful scale-up projects in collaboration with other DOD labs, the DOE, academia, and private industry, receiving Indian Head's 2007 Project Manager of the Year Award. In 2008, Shilpa became Branch Manager of the Chemical Development group where she was responsible for overseeing personnel, laboratory, and pilot plant facility. In 2010 she joined Indian Head's Engineering Directorate where she managed projects involving the development of an IM-compliant rocket motor and gas generator with improved safe-life. She remained in this role until joining Nalas in 2012. Shilpa has received leadership training from select programs such as Dale Carnegie and the Navy's Mid-Level Leadership Program. Shilpa also holds a Level III Systems Engineering Certification in Systems Planning, Research, Development and Engineering (SPRDE) from the Defense Acquisition University.