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Katharine Kreis is the Country Director for Eswatini for the US Peace Corps, where she oversees all aspects of the technical, management and budget allocations for all programming for both staff and volunteers. Prior to joining Peace Corps, Katharine was the Director of strategic initiatives and lead for nutrition innovation at PATH. She has worked with experts from across the public and private sectors to identify, develop and deploy new tools, technologies and methodologies to better track, predict, target and address malnutrition. Katharine has also held senior positions at the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN), and was the lead for the nutrition team at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. She previously served as a U.S. Foreign Service officer with the Agency for International Development, worked with several NGOs in Africa, and served as a Peace Corps Volunteer. Katharine has spent significant time living and working in low and middle-income countries including stints in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. She has served on the Board of the Micronutrient Forum and the Secretariat of the Bridge Collaborative. She has also been a member of the Scaling Up Nutrition Secretariat, served on the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Councils on Nutrition and Agriculture and was the lead US technical advisor for health to the U.S.- Japan Common Agenda for Cooperation in Global Perspective. She holds dual master's degrees in epidemiology and international health from the University of Michigan.