

## **Michael Langley**

Michael Langley is the founding CEO of GREATER MSP, the Minneapolis Saint Paul Regional Economic Development Partnership. GREATER MSP leads global promotion, regional strategy, and project management for economic growth and job creation in the Minneapolis Saint Paul region, with 3.5 million residents and a Gross Metropolitan Product of over \$230 Billion. He brings years of experience to the role as a widely recognized economic development strategist who has also led successful regional economic development organizations in Florida and Pennsylvania.

Since the formation of GREATER MSP in 2011, the Minneapolis Saint Paul region has achieved strong job growth and record low unemployment, and has been recognized widely for its diverse and resilient economy. The Atlantic recently published an article citing "The Minneapolis Miracle" and CNBC's 2015 "Top States for Business" ranks Minnesota #1. The Greater MSP led "Minnesota Medical Manufacturing Partnership" was also awarded the "Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership" (IMCP) designation from US Department of Commerce in July 2015.

A graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Mike also earned a MS in information systems from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. He served as a Navy pilot with more than 5,000 hours of flight and crew time on surveillance and intelligence missions worldwide and as a technology analyst on the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations. He has also been awarded an honorary doctorate in Humanities by American Intercontinental University for his work in community improvement.

Michael's community service includes leadership on the Board of the Minnesota Orchestra, the Metropolitan State University Foundation Board of Trustees, the Super Bowl LII Host Committee Executive Board, the NAIOP Board of Directors, and the Board of the International Economic Development Council (IEDC). Michael was named one the "Top 50 Economic Developers in North America" by Consultant Connect in 2015, and was designated as a "Fellow Member" by IEDC in 2015 for his contributions to the Economic Development profession.