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Paula Scalingi since 2001 has worked with stakeholders across the United States and in Canada to build regional and community resilience. She serves as Executive Director of the Bay Area Center for Regional Disaster Resilience (Bay Area CRDR), a non-profit Section 501(c) (3) public benefit corporation established to empower and enable stakeholder collaborative action to improve all-hazards disaster resilience. The Bay Area CRDR is partnering with state and local government agencies, associations, and regional stakeholders improve resilience through a number of activities, including promoting regional collaborative actions to identify and address resilience gaps; fostering development of capabilities for cross-sector information sharing and regional situational awareness; raising awareness of infrastructure interdependencies and their implications for resilience and security, and mitigation options; improving community health resilience capacities, addressing climate change resilience, and empowering business and broader community continuity and economic resilience through training, education, and exercises.

Dr. Scalingi also is President of The Scalingi Group, LLC, which she founded in 2001 to provide infrastructure security and disaster resilience expertise to government, private sector, and non-profit organizations. A pioneer in the study of infrastructure interdependencies, she founded and served from 2006 to 2011 as Director of the Pacific Northwest Center for Regional Disaster Resilience for the Pacific Northwest Economic Region, a consortium of 10 U.S. states and Canadian provinces and territories. Her consulting work over the past decade has focused on fostering the development of public-private partnerships and projects to address resilience and security issues related to energy, cyber security, transportation, manufacturing, communications/IT, health and healthcare, cross-sector information sharing, water systems, supply chains, and dam/levee resilience. Among her activities, Dr. Scalingi has organized more than 96 workshops and 16 regional exercises, including the well-known Blue Cascades Series, developed resilience action plans, and managed a large number of multi-stakeholder projects. She currently is assisting the U.S. DHS Office of Health Affairs to develop a *Community Health Resilience Toolset* that includes guidance for broad stakeholder use.

Dr. Scalingi's experience previous to 2001 includes senior management positions in government and the private sector. She was director of the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Critical Infrastructure Protection and also director of both the Decision and Information Sciences Division at Argonne National Laboratory and of ANL's Infrastructure Assurance Center, and technical liaison to the President's Commission on Critical Infrastructure Protection, overseeing the Commission reports on water supply, emergency services, electric power, oil and gas; legal/regulatory issues, and R&D strategy. She also served in the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency on the Strategic Arms Control Treaty Delegation and as Director of Public Information; as a staff member for the U.S. House of Representatives Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and as an analyst for the CIA.

Dr. Scalingi is in addition an Adjunct Associate Professor at Georgetown University teaching on community resilience and serves as First Vice-Chair of the Infrastructure Security Partnership (TISP), a national association representing organizations in the engineering-related disciplines. She was the principal author for TISP's 2006 *Regional Disaster Resilience Action Plan Guide* and the 2011 *Guide*, leading national task forces for this purpose. Her extensive volunteer work includes serving on the Board of Directors for San Francisco Community Agencies Responding to Disaster (SF-CARD), DomPrep40 Board of Advisors, and the Steering Group for the Community Resilience System. In recognition of her resilience contributions, Dr. Scalingi received The Infrastructure Security Partnership's 2010 Volunteer of the Year Award. She regularly speaks nationally and has authored many articles on resilience and security issues.