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Ms. Selva is the executive director of the College of Carpenters and Allied Trades Inc. (CCAT). CCAT is a jointly trusted construction industry-based educational facility that is dedicated to providing preapprenticeship, apprenticeship, continuing education, and health and safety programs to over 5,000 union workers per year from across the GTA. CCAT is the largest Training Delivery Agent of carpentry apprenticeship in Ontario, and it was recently honoured with the inaugural Chair's Award of Excellence by the Ontario College of Trades. CCAT has been a leader in catalyzing innovative partnerships and programs targeted at assisting youth at risk and underrepresented groups to develop the life and trade skills needed to access rewarding career paths in the trades. Prior to working at CCAT, Ms. Selva worked as an associate of RAL Consulting Limited providing organizational, strategic planning and training-related consulting services to clients in the construction industry. While working for Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology, Ms. Selva developed and taught academic upgrade courses for the Developmental, Trades, and Apprenticeship Studies division of the College. She has served on a number of volunteer boards and committees including: the Greater Toronto Civic Action Alliance Escalator Champions Council and Taskforce for Youth Jobs and Mentoring Initiative, the International Foundation Apprenticeship, Training and Education Committee, the Toronto Workplace Innovation Group and the Canadian Trades Education Council, as well as others.