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Matt Kempf is a dynamic leader with a distinguished background spanning technology, national security, and venture capital. As Vice President of Mission Partnerships Operations at In-Q-Tel (IQT), he brings over 18 years of experience to advance mission-driven outreach, strengthen account engagement, and accelerate the adoption of cutting-edge innovations from IQT's portfolio companies across the National Security Community.

Kempf began his career in 2003 at Nike's global headquarters in Oregon, contributing to the Business-to-Business Creative Side Development Team. In 2005, he transitioned to the National

Security Agency (NSA), entering the digital network analyst development program and eventually advancing to program manager. In this role, he oversaw multiple critical initiatives, led strategic alignment efforts, and chaired a cross-functional working group.

From 2011 to 2013, Kempf led the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS) Risk Management Team within the Department of Defense's Chief Information Office at the Pentagon. He returned to the NSA in 2013 to serve as Platform Manager for the Commercial Engagement Center, where he forged strategic relationships between the NSA and commercial partners to bolster national security through innovative technology solutions.

In addition to his work at IQT, Kempf is a seasoned entrepreneur. He co-founded two startups—a health engagement platform in 2009 and a social sports company in 2010, which he successfully exited in 2019. He is a Senior Fellow at Auburn University's McCrary Institute for Cyber and Critical Infrastructure Security in Washington, DC, contributing thought leadership in cybersecurity and national resilience.

Kempf holds a bachelor's degree in Management Information Systems from Auburn University, a master's degree in Network Security from Capitol Technology University, and an MBA from the University of Virginia's Darden School of Business.