

Rachel Kyte is the 14th dean of [The Fletcher School](#) at [Tufts University](#). A 2002 graduate of [Fletcher's Global Master of Arts Program \(GMAP\)](#) and a professor of practice at the school since 2012, Kyte is the first woman to lead the nation's oldest graduate-only school of international affairs, which attracts students from all corners of the globe and at all stages of their careers.

Prior to joining Fletcher, Kyte served as special representative of the UN secretary-general and chief executive officer of [Sustainable Energy for All](#) (SEforALL). She previously was the World Bank Group vice president and special envoy for climate change, leading the Bank Group's efforts to shift its operations and campaign for the Paris Agreement.

In her UN role and as CEO of SEforAll, a nonprofit public/private platform created from an initiative of the UN secretary-general, Kyte led efforts to promote and finance clean, affordable energy and low-carbon growth as part of the [UN Sustainable Development Goals](#) in the context of the Paris Agreement. She grew SEforALL into an organization that employs more than forty staff and has partnerships with companies, governments, and civil society organizations.

Kyte grew up in eastern England and has a deep appreciation for the value of apprenticeship, mentoring, sponsorship, and skills learned on the job in addition to in the classroom. She earned her undergraduate degree in history and politics from the University of London. Kyte is married to Dr. Ilyse Zable and they have two children.