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Matt Sonnesyn is Vice President for Infrastructure, Energy and Environment at Business Roundtable. In this role, he oversees the work of the Committee on Infrastructure, promoting policies that develop and maintain a world-class infrastructure for the United States, including transportation and water systems. He is also the policy lead for the Committee on Energy and Environment, promoting access to reliable, affordable energy as well as policies supporting a clean, healthy environment. He previously led the Roundtable's efforts on immigration for five years.

Throughout his career, Sonnesyn has focused on developing the best policy ideas and advancing them with bipartisan support. He has worked on a wide range of issues from insourcing brainpower to grow the U.S. economy to promoting nuclear power as part of a balanced energy policy to streamlining the confirmation of lower-tier executive nominations. Prior to joining the Roundtable, Sonnesyn spent a decade working for U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander in several roles, including as his Chief of Staff. Among other accomplishments, he led work on the Senator's signature America COMPETES Act, bipartisan legislation focused on improving the country's competitive edge in science and technology.

Sonnesyn also served as policy director for two statewide campaigns in Tennessee – for Alexander in 2002 and for U.S. Senator Bob Corker in 2006. Both campaigns were successful. Before attending graduate school, Sonnesyn worked at the American Enterprise Institute, a Washington D.C. think tank. Sonnesyn holds a B.A. in international relations and Spanish from Principia College and a Master of Public Policy from the Harvard Kennedy School. He and his wife Allison reside in Washington, D.C.