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Leah Ford is the Director of Global Marketing & Communications for NatureWorks, a world-leading company that invents and manufactures high performing biomaterials and applications called Ingeo™️. In her nearly two decades with NatureWorks, Leah has seen the market evolve to enable new pathways in the circular economy—like compostability—and to prioritize low-carbon, biobased materials.

Leah’s passion for working on sustainable materials stems from her background in the earth sciences, where her research focused on landscape evolution and the impacts of climate change on landscapes. Leah holds a BS in Geology and an MS in Geomorphology from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**About NatureWorks**

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