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Mr. Michael Young is the lead account manager for Verizon supporting NATO, the United Nations, and US Military Forces within Europe, Africa and the Middle East (EMEA). He is responsible for providing direct support to Verizon's customers by enabling them to achieve their strategic telecommunication objectives; providing innovative communications and technology solutions to the world's biggest challenges.



Mr. Young has over 17 years of federal experience working in the EMEA region. Prior to joining Verizon, Mr. Young was a US National Expert to NATO where he was responsible for promoting interoperability between the US and NATO in areas of Command, Control, and Communications technologies. Reviewing the results of NATO Summits and strategic direction, he assessed the impact on US and NATO communication's policies and interoperability and developed strategies, plans, and implemented efforts to improve US and coalition capabilities. From 2008-2009, Mr. Young was the Assistant Chief Information Officer (CIO) for Information Technology Governance and Branch Chief, CIO Support for the US European Command where he led the identification of command, control, and communication capability gaps for the commander's Integrated Priority Lists and Information Resource Management processes. From 2005 to 2008, Mr. Young developed and managed the European Theater's information assurance awareness and training program as the Branch Chief, Information Assurance Training, Awareness, and Exercise branch, US European Command.

Prior to joining federal service, Mr. Young worked for Computer Sciences Corporation as a strategic advisor for emerging technology to the US European Command.

Mr. Young is also a veteran with over 11 years serving in the US Army including time as an airborne ranger in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ranger Battalion, a communications planner at XVIII Abn Corps, and Information Management Officer at US Army NATO.

Mr. Young has a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Maryland, a Master of Science degree from Bowie State University, and an MBA from the Vlerick Leuven Gent Management School in Belgium. Mr. Young is a Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) and Information Systems Security Engineering Professional (ISSEP).