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Peter has long been interested in energy productivity as a profitable business opportunity and has a considerable track record establishing successful businesses and programs in the USA, Western and Eastern Europe, Indonesia, India, Brazil and elsewhere. He was the co-chairperson of the International Advisory Committee of the Alliance to Save Energy in Washington, D.C., a founding member of the European Business Council for a Sustainable Energy Future, a member of the Steering Committee on Energy Efficiency Financing of the Russian Federation, and Chairman of the International Institute for Energy Conservation.

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