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Dr. Stephen Hammer leads the Energy Smart Cities initiative at the Joint U.S.-China Collaboration on Clean Energy, which focuses on promoting energy efficiency and clean energy in cities across China. Dr. Hammer recently joined JUCCCE in January 2010 after several years as director of the Urban Energy Program at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs. At Columbia, Dr. Hammer led a team conducting research on energy markets, technology, policy and regulation, viewed from a city-level perspective.

Prior to entering academia, Dr. Hammer was a consultant, advising a wide range of government, non-profit, and private organizations on solid waste, sustainability, and energy issues. His work has been published in Energy Policy, DOMUS, Aspenia, the New York Times, and other academic and business publications and books. He regularly lectures internationally on urban energy and climate topics. In 2007, Dr. Hammer co-founded the Urban Climate Change Research Network (UCCRN), an international consortium of researchers focused on how climate change will affect cities around the world. In addition to his work at JUCCCE, Dr. Hammer is a member of New York City Mayor Bloomberg's Energy Policy Task Force; a consultant to the State of New York on microgrid and climate change policy issues; and a consultant to the World Bank, where he serves as the Lead Consultant on an interdisciplinary team exploring how to promote energy efficiency in developing country cities.

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