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Peter Osborne is currently the Australian Trade Commission (Austrade) National Manager Investment, based in Austrade's Sydney headquarters.

From January 2007 to end February 2008 Pete was Australia's most senior trade official in China as Senior Trade Commissioner and Minister (Commercial) and Austrade's Country Manager for China, based in the Australian Embassy Beijing. Peter had overall management responsibility for Austrade's 13 office network in China - the largest network of any foreign government trade organisation in China.

From June 2003 to December 2006 Peter was Austrade's Senior Trade Commissioner and Deputy Consul-General (Commercial) of the Australian Consulate-General Hong Kong, with responsibility for Australian trade and investment promotion and facilitation in Hong Kong and Macau. Peter was concurrently Austrade's sub-regional manager with management responsibility for Austrade's peroration in Taiwan and Vietnam.

For the period June to December 2004, Peter was Austrade's Acting Regional Director for North East Asia, managing Austrade's operations in China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, Korea and Vietnam.

Peter was previously based in Shanghai from 1999 to March 2003 as the Senior Trade Commissioner and Deputy Consult-General, and prior to that held two postings in Taiwan - from mid 1996 to mid 1999, as Senior Trade Commissioner and from 1991 to 1994 as Projects and Investment Director of the Australian Business Centre in Taipei, representing Austrade's commercial interest in the Taiwan market.

From 1994 to 1996 Peter spent two and a half years in Suva, Fiji as the Trade & Investment Director of the South Pacific Forum Secretariat - a regional organisation represent the interests of the 14 island countries of the South Pacific. Peter also served as the South Pacific

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Expert Adviser on trade development to the United National Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), and the UN Commission for Sustainable Development.

Prior to his overseas postings, Peter worked in various positions within the Australian Trade Commission, and also travelled the length and breadth of Australia as a field officer with the Australian Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

Peter has travelled extensively throughout China, and is a prolific freelance travel writer in his spare time, having written numerous articles on China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan and Vietnam. Peter is also a published children's author of a fantasy set in Taiwan titled The Golden Dragon.

Peter's interests include surfing, martial arts, Chinese temples, writing and travelling. Peter is married with four children.

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