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Named by the *Alberta Venture* magazine as one of the 50 most influential people in Alberta for 2014, Dr. Wenran Jiang is currently President of Canada-China Energy and Environment Forum and its annual conference since 2004. He is also a Senior Fellow at the Institute of Asian Research at the University of British Columbia, a Global Fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Centre for Scholars in Washington DC, and Special Advisor on China to the US and Canada based Energy Council.

Dr. Jiang was a tenured professor in the Department of Political Science at the University of Alberta, and was the special advisor to Alberta Department of Energy on Asian market diversification from 2012 to 2014. Dr. Jiang is also the Founding Director (2005-08) of the University's China Institute.

Dr. Jiang has advised government agencies, private companies in energy, mining, forestry and agricultural sectors on Asian market access and how to engage China. He is currently completing a book on why Canada needs to diversify its energy market to Asia.

Academic, business & public policy works highlights:

- Named by *Alberta Venture Magazine* as one of 50 most influential persons in Alberta in 2014.
- \$430,000, 2013-2014 Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada Insight Grant on Canada-China relations, Co-investigator (2014-2019).
- Invited by Natural Resources Canada as the Mission Advisor to Minister James Carr's June 2017 China visit, and led the entire operation for the senior energy industry/organization delegation of around 40, including the planning, execution and hosting of the expert briefing, bilateral senior executives roundtable, separate sectorial sessions, and B2B meetings.
- Key facilitator for the MOU signed between Alberta government and China's National Energy Administration in 2013, with both Governor General David Johnston and President Xi Jinping attending the signing ceremony.
- Senior Advisor to Alberta Department of Energy on Asian market diversification (seconded from the University of Alberta) in 2012-14, playing a key role in formulating energy policy for Alberta and BC governments.
- Organizer of the Canada-China Energy & Environment Forum annual conference since 2004. The conference, originally commissioned by the federal government, is now recognized as the highest in profile, most in participants and longest running in the two countries energy and environment relations. Funded mostly by the private sector and Western provincial governments in recent years, it brings together business leaders, government officials and academics in both countries on a regular basis to discuss bilateral energy and environment cooperation, as well as a B2B venue. The 2017 conference in Beijing featured former Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper as the Keynote Speaker.
- Extensive publications on Chinese foreign investments, foreign policy, and energy related topics in recent years, ranging from the top China academic journal the *China Quarterly* to think tank publications such as the *Geopolitics of Energy* in the Canadian Energy Research Institute and the *China Brief* in Washington, D.C.
- Widely invited speaker around the world on Chinese foreign policy, foreign investment and energy policy issues, ranging from top academic institutions such as Harvard University, Yale University to top think tanks in Washington, D.C. to professional conferences such as Argus Media and investment banks to government organized policy briefings.

- A key media go-to person on China, especially on Chinese foreign investment policy and energy policy, with regular appearances on CBC The Current, Power & Politics, CTV Power Play, BNN, CCTV, among others. Published op-eds in the *Globe & Mail*, the *National Post*, the *Ottawa Citizen*, the *Toronto Star*, the *New York Times*, the *South China Morning Post*, the *Japan Times*, *Project Syndicate*, among others.
- Played a leading role as the founding Director of the China Institute at the University of Alberta (2005-08) to make the newly established institute prominent in Canada and around the world at that time, and raised \$37.2 million permanent endowment funding from the Alberta government in 2007 for the institute.
- Has a proven record in working with diverse government institutions, public and private sector groups on important public policy issues such as foreign investment, energy and environment policies and engagement between Canada and China.
- Undertook multiple types consulting works: retainer, ad hoc, on demand, extensive analyses, briefings, internal memos, long and short reports on given topics, urgent tasking, Q&A over the phone and video (both one-on-one and teleconferencing), strategic planning, trouble-shooting, online assistance, facilitating in person, managing commercial negotiations, interpreting, translations, corporate profiling, client introductions, products and technology marketing, M&A negotiations, etc.
- Consulting clients include Canadian federal government, Alberta government, Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers, private companies in energy, mining and other resource sectors, and major investment banks, law firms and accounting companies.