

## Bio – Simon Stolp



Mr. Stolp currently leads the World Bank's \$5 billion energy sector engagement in India, which is growing rapidly and providing significant financing and technical support for India's renewable energy development, and to investments aimed at turning around India's financially stressed distribution sector. The World Bank will commit over \$1 Billion in financing to India's solar PV development this year, and has signed a joint declaration in support of the Indian led International Solar Alliance.

Prior to this he led the Bank's energy sector engagement in the Middle East and North Africa region, managing energy policy and strategy dialogue and a portfolio of loan and technical assistance projects to the energy sector.

Mr. Stolp joined the World Bank as its Country Manager in Iraq, and managed the Bank's engagement with the Government of Iraq during a period of intense political upheaval, advising on critical decisions about Iraq's future economic development, and national energy strategy.

Mr. Stolp's earlier career involved public and private development of renewable energy infrastructure throughout Australia and SE Asia with Hydro Tasmania, Australia's largest renewable energy supplier. Mr. Stolp has also consulted to government, international development agencies, private developers and financiers in the international energy sector. Through these roles Simon has led the planning, financing and development of over \$20 Billion of infrastructure assets.