

David B. Sutton, Ph.D.



Dr. David Sutton is a human ecologist and international consultant specializing in integral health, ecological technologies, sustainable development and creative communications. He served as an Officer in the US Army Chemical Corps. With over thirty years experience teaching at the University level, working with major Fortune 500 Companies, International Research Institutes, Publishers, Governmental and Non-Governmental Organizations, he is engaged throughout the world for his creativity, problem-solving and writing skills.

Dr. Sutton holds advanced degrees in Biology, Art, Population Ecology and Environmental Science. Throughout his University teaching career, he specialized in teaching in environmental science and technology and was involved in many environmental research and education projects. At Stanford, he lectured on international conservation and development issues, directed the Student Internship Program and led the Stanford Alumni Seminar in India and Nepal. He was a principal instructor in the training of trainers for Sweden's, The Natural Step in the USA. In China, he taught at Shanghai's Customs College.

Certified in Permaculture Design, he has created sustainable design strategies and applications for clients such as The Montreux Group's Integral Health Resorts, Salk's Waiki Institute (Peru), La Finca Rosa (Costa Rica), Program Munda Maya, Rajasthan Wildlife and Tourism Society, and the International Institute for Ecological Agriculture. For the past 17 years he served as a principal with **TaoConsulting** in Shanghai, specializing in clean energy and sustainable design, innovative cross-cultural communications and training. Most recently, he has been working in sustainability in China and is often engaged as a commentator on TV and for workshops and conferences. He was featured in the BBC series, "Hot Cities: Counting the Cost" filmed in Shanghai. He also hosts and performs (he is a dancer and magician) for **M.A.G.I.C. (Multicultural Activities Generating International Community)** Events throughout China (most particularly in Shanghai and Sanya). He has been in a number of movies filmed in Shanghai and was a contract dancer in the Merchant/Ivory film, "The White Countess." And serves as an "Ambassador of Smiles" for the Smiling Hospital in China.



Dr. Sutton's program development and management experience includes large research projects for the US Dept. of Education, US Dept. of Energy (DOE), US Agency for International Development, ARCO, and Charles F. Kettering Foundation, Carnegie Foundation, Far West Laboratory for Educational Research and Development, American Institutes for Research in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford Research Institute, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, and others. As Director of Public Information and Education for DOE's Western Regional Solar Energy Center (WesternSUN), where he supervised a staff of 14 and managed over a million dollars of federal funds, he was responsible for public information, educational, and publishing programs for the thirteen western states. In the summer of 2008 he assisted the Communications Unit at the United Nations Office of Project Services (UNOPS) in Copenhagen. Most recently he served as a consultant in sustainable living for the Linden Centre in Xizhou, Yunnan, China. He has now relocated to Watsonville, California where he is working with Blume Distillation to bring their waste to profit systems to China. Having received his California Guard Certification and Card, he has served as a Security Officer for First Alarm and Andy Frain Security Services.



Dr. Sutton has worked throughout the Americas, Western Europe, Tropical Asia and East Africa. He was the Safari Ecologist on photo safaris to Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, and Zanzibar; he organized and led expeditions to India, Sikkim, Nepal, Thailand, Singapore, Japan, Costa Rica, and Peru. He has been engaged as a lecturer on a cruise circling South America and has recorded programs on the Queen Elizabeth 2, The “ Dynasty Express”(China), and the “Palace on Wheels” (Rajasthan, India). He founded *Antaeus Expeditions*, now *TAOTravel*, to provide first-hand

experience of the world’s unique natural environments, wildlife, human cultures and the international efforts to preserve them. For the past decade he led excursions throughout China’s magnificent Karst country.

Dr. Sutton has written extensively in the fields of environmental technology and resource conservation. In addition to hundreds of articles and papers, he has published *Ecology: Selected Concepts*, a pioneering overview of ecological systems (John Wiley and Sons, 1973), *Fundamentos de Ecologia* (Limusa, Mexico, 1995) and is completing another text entitled: *A Course in Ecological Literacy*. For the past seventeen years in China he has written a monthly "Dispatch from China," *The Sanya City Guide* (2006, CityWeekend) and is working on *Villages of the Long March* (with renown Beijing artist, Zhunwang Zhao). He is featured in *A Journey to the East: Expat Tales in Shanghai* (Shanghai Daily, Better Link Press, 2009). Dr. Sutton is currently English Editor and Chief writer for *Eco Nomy: The Tao of Sustainable Business* where he is documenting notable examples of sustainable technologies and urban best practices at the World Expo 2010 among other things.

Dr. Sutton has served on the board of the Society for Human Ecology, The International Institute for Ecological Agriculture and the Pacific Vintage Group and on the scientific advisory board of the Peninsula Conservation Center, is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and the Institute for Human Ecology. He is a certified Open Water Scuba Diver and a member of the Ecological Society of America; Sigma Xi; California Academy of Sciences; Bombay Natural History Society; Natural History Society of Siam, and The Ecotourism Society. He has been included in the **Who’s Who in the West** and **Who’s Who in the Frontiers of Science and Technology**, as well as **Who is Who in Shanghai** .

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