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Justin Finnegan is Managing Director - APAC for Bloomberg New Economy, where he oversees the media platform's operations in China and across the region. As an entrepreneur and executive, Justin has spent years working with businesses and governments worldwide to find innovative ways to connect, implement smarter policies, and create new markets.

Prior to joining Bloomberg, Justin served as the Senior Deputy Assistant to the Administrator to the Bureau for Food Security at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), where he built partnerships with governments, companies, and international organizations to reduce hunger, poverty, and malnutrition worldwide. In 2013, Justin returned from nearly ten years of building in Asia to take an appointment as a White House Fellow, one of twelve in the nation. Since then, he held a number of positions at USAID, including Coordinator for the 2015 Financing for Development Conference and as lead negotiator of the Agency's MoU on international development cooperation between the U.S. and China.



Prior to joining the U.S. Government, Justin was Managing Director and co-founder of the Mountain Hazelnuts Group (MHG), Bhutan's first 100% foreign direct investment. He built and ran overall operations for the social venture, which is planting 10 million hazelnut trees on degraded and fallow mountain slopes. The company's target is to provide 3% of world hazelnut production by connecting tens of thousands of farmers to valuable international markets. Justin grew MHG from a Greenfield start-up to a company of 400+ employees that was named Fortune Magazine's Great Green Idea of 2012. The company continues to grow and is now Bhutan's largest private employer.

Before moving to Bhutan, Justin helped open and manage the Asia office off the world's second largest home textile company in China. Previously, Justin also served as both a Fulbright and Trustman Scholar in Southwest China.

He received a BA from Harvard College and an MBA from Stanford University's Graduate School of Business. He was named a Young Global Leader at the World Economic Forum and is fluent in written and spoken Chinese and proficient in French and Spanish.