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Chris Bottrill is the Dean of the Faculty of Global and Community Studies at Capilano University in North Vancouver, Canada. He holds a PhD in tourism network and destination development and he has a strong record of academic and industry achievement. He has developed a wide array of educational programming in business, tourism, and adventure management fields and has taught at universities in Canada, New Zealand, the USA, and is a sessional instructor at the Management Centre of Innsbruck, Austria. Chris has completed over 50 tourism management and development projects around the globe and he has presented on tourism related topics at conferences and forums in China, Canada, Russia, Finland, New Zealand, Vietnam, Malaysia, India, and Cambodia. Current and recent activities include directing the acclaimed PATA (Pacific Asia Travel Association) supported Vietnam Community Tourism project aimed at protecting ethnic hill tribe culture through tourism, directing a five year Aboriginal Education program featuring programming and support for access and retention of aboriginal learners, leading a Pacific Asia study on Indigenous Tourism and Human Rights, overseeing a four-year community tourism project in Paraguay, and facilitating a multiple stakeholder engagement project for tourism development in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Chris a PATA Board member, a PATA Foundation Trustee, and is currently Chair of the PATA Human Capital Development Committee.