



BIOMASS ASIA INC.

Platinum BioChar

EXECUTIVE CURRICULUM VITAE

Board of Directors & Financial Partner Due Diligence

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David Austen de Montaigne

Founder, Chairman & CEO

Biomass Asia Inc. | Renewable Energy | Biochar | Carbon Removal | Corporate Structuring

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50+

Years' Experience

4

Continents

15+

Countries

6

Sectors

EXECUTIVE PROFILE

David Austen de Montaigne is a British energy, project-finance and development leader with more than five decades of international experience, now focused on biochar and durable carbon removal as Founder, Chairman & CEO of Biomass Asia Inc. Hired at eighteen by KCA in Libya — which sponsored his B.Sc. Petroleum Engineering at Benghazi — he was headhunted by Schlumberger in 1975, served as Chief Engineer of Dowell Schlumberger's "Big Orange" offshore stimulation fleet in Brazil, and became Director of North Sea Operations at twenty-nine — by far the youngest director in the Schlumberger Group.

He went on to found Demon Cementing, Stimulation & Completion Services in Aberdeen — building the ADNOC offshore stimulation vessel — and used it to lead a leveraged buyout of Dolphin Fluids, one of the North Sea's leading oilfield-services companies. Through Kredit-Finanz A.G. (Liechtenstein) he directed pioneering transition-economy project finance across the Baltics and Eastern Europe, then built solar and biomass ventures across Asia — advising Chinese provinces under the US Department of Energy's "Methane to Markets" initiative and developing four 35 MW biomass power plants in the Philippines through Global Green Power.

His current focus centres on sponsor-led development of biomass, biochar and engineered carbon-removal platforms, with an emphasis on bankability, feedstock strategy, corporate structuring, investor packaging, regulatory engagement and scalable implementation across the Philippines and broader Asian markets.

CAREER & LEADERSHIP

Period	Organisation	Role	Strategic Relevance
Dec 2025–present	Biomass Asia Inc.	Founder, Chairman & CEO	Biochar, durable carbon-removal and circular-biomass platform development across Asia and Europe
2024–present	Digital Climate Finance OÜ	Management Board Member & Shareholder	Estonian climate-finance and digital structuring vehicle; publicly registered in Estonia
2008–present	Global Green Power PLC Corporation	Founder & Sponsor-Level Lead	Philippine biomass platform (parent of Green Power Panay); development of four 35 MW plants across Panay, Luzon and Mindanao — permits, land conversion, EPC and 25-year feedstock contracts
1994–2008	de Montaigne Group of Companies	Founder & Chairman	SPVs into renewable energy — SolarGen (thin-film solar to Asia), 40+ Chinese biomass-to-energy plants and two 49.5 MW wind farms
1990–1994	Kredit-Finanz A.G. (Liechtenstein)	Director, Project Finance	Transition-economy and Asia-Pacific infrastructure finance — the Baltics, Eastern Europe, the Philippines, South Korea, Taiwan and Australia
1986–1990	Demon Cementing / Dolphin Fluids (Aberdeen)	Founder & Chairman	Built the ADNOC offshore stimulation vessel; executed a leveraged buyout of Dolphin Fluids, a leading North Sea oilfield-services company
1975–1986	Schlumberger / Dowell Schlumberger	Chief Engineer → Director, North Sea Operations	“Big Orange” fleet (Brazil); built the group’s largest onshore base in Saudi Arabia; youngest director in the Schlumberger Group at 29

SELECTED CAREER TRACK RECORD

- Founded SolarGen in 1995 to develop thin-film float-glass solar applications in Asia as sole partner to Glasstech; the Asia-wide effort contributed to a sale of the US business for more than USD 50 million.
- Director and shareholder in a Chinese biomass-to-energy developer, implementing over forty small biomass-energy projects and consulting across five Chinese provinces under UK and US government-linked initiatives.
- Directed pioneering project finance (1990–1992) supporting Albania, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Macedonia through their transition to market economies — preceding the EBRD and mainstream development-finance institutions.
- Delivered 75+ lectures to international oil companies, universities and government agencies on reservoir evaluation, production systems, project management and renewable-energy development.
- Current focus: biomass, waste-to-value, renewable-energy infrastructure, socio-economic impact, carbon removal and climate-finance-linked project development across the Philippines and broader Asia.

SECTOR CAPABILITIES RELEVANT TO INVESTORS & FINANCIAL PARTNERS

Project Origination & Sponsor Leadership	Identifies, assembles and advances energy and biomass opportunities from concept through structuring, permitting, feedstock strategy and investment packaging.
Corporate Structuring & Capital Readiness	Holding companies, SPVs, cross-border structuring, board-level governance, investor documentation and positioning for equity, debt and strategic capital.
Biomass & Feedstock Systems	Longstanding focus on rice husk, rice straw, sugarcane residues and other agricultural biomass supply chains — collection, logistics, stocking and industrial utilisation.
Renewable Energy & Carbon-Market Transition	Biochar, durable carbon removal, MRV-linked commercial models and the digitisation of climate-finance pathways.

Frontier & Transition-Economy Finance	Institutional and government-to-government funding across the Baltics, Eastern Europe and Asia-Pacific in complex, emerging environments.
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GEOGRAPHIC OPERATING FOOTPRINT

Europe: United Kingdom, Ireland, Norway, France; transition-economy finance across Albania, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Macedonia

Middle East & North Africa: Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq, Libya

South America: Brazil

Asia: China (Shanghai, Beijing, Yunnan, Sichuan, Heilongjiang, Shandong) and the Philippines (Panay, Luzon, Mindanao, Negros, Cebu)

QUALIFICATIONS & TRAINING

B.Sc. Petroleum Engineering	University of Libya, Benghazi (KCA-sponsored), 1972–1975
Dowell Schlumberger technical training	Saint-Étienne, France — well completion & well control
Schlumberger Cambridge (UK)	Hydraulics, fracturing, drill-stem testing, reservoir evaluation, offshore fracture stimulation
Management & project-development training	Schlumberger / Dowell Schlumberger international centres (France, UK, USA, Middle East), 1975–1986

LANGUAGES

English Fluent	French Professional	Portuguese Working	Spanish Basic	Arabic Basic
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