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Chris Cooper, Partner, Deloitte & Touche LLP, is the Americas Leader of the Deloitte Chinese Services Group (CSG) who also serves as the national leader for CSG in the United States. As the leader of CSG, Chris and his team collaborate with colleagues throughout the global organization to assist clients throughout the Americas region and China to realize sustainable value from their cross-border investments.

Prior to this, Chris was a partner on the transaction services Mergers and Acquisitions (M&A) team in the Deloitte Beijing office. He was the leader of Deloitte's China Private Equity (PE) practice specializing in PE deals and inbound investment into China.

For more than 20 years, Chris has worked on a variety of business and financial advisory projects with an emphasis on manufacturing, automotive, energy and Asian business. Chris has advised, and in most cases led, more than 200 M&A diligence transactions of all sizes. While working in San Jose, California, Chris advised on a variety of public and private M&A transactions with deal values ranging from several million to over one billion dollars.

In 1994, Chris was among one of the first Big Four consultants to relocate to China where he assisted various multinational companies in developing their China investment strategies. In 1997, Chris relocated to Chicago, where he led the M&A services to Ford Motor Company in Asia Pacific. In this role, Chris led many large due diligence projects in Asia. Afterwards, Chris returned to Beijing to focus on PE and U.S. inbound investment. In 2010, Chris repatriated back to San Jose, California to lead Deloitte's China Services in the United States.

Chris serves on the board of directors for The 100K Strong Foundation, an organization focusing on promoting the expansion and diversification of Americans learning Mandarin and studying abroad in China. Furthermore, Chris is also a board member of the International School of the Peninsula and the Golden Bridges Foundation.

In 1988, Chris graduated from the Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan. Chris is a qualified member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accounts and he holds a CPA license in both Michigan and California.

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