

## Soitec Factory Dedication Speaker Bio

### Jim Waring – Master of Ceremonies



James Waring is a co-founder of CleanTECH San Diego, a not-for-profit formed to support the creation and expansion of a Clean Technology business cluster in the San Diego region. In August 2011, he became President and CEO. CleanTECH San Diego has grown from no staff members to a 4 person staff and 105 member organization, with multiple green and energy related programs.

Prior to the formation of CleanTECH San Diego, Jim worked for Mayor Jerry Sanders and the City of San Diego for 17 months as Deputy Chief Operating Officer for Land Use and Economic Development. He currently serves as a Mayor's appointment to the San Diego Housing Commission.

He has been a principal in FI Financial, LLC, a real estate investment company since 1991 and has served on and been Board Chair of a number of not-for-profits, including the San Diego Natural History Museum, Francis Parker School and River Network, a Portland, Oregon based environmental group.

Jim attended Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania before transferring to the University of Southern California where he received a degree in Business Administration. He has a law degree from the University of San Diego and was a practicing attorney for over 20 years with an emphasis in transactional negotiations.

In 2004 Jim returned to the University of San Diego, where he earned a Master's Degree in Peace and Justice Studies at the Joan Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice, where he currently serves on the Dean's Advisory Board.