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Ambassador Steve Lang is a senior advisor with Crest Hill Advisors LLC and a non-resident senior associate with the Center for Strategic and International Studies. A veteran diplomat and international tech policy leader, he was confirmed by the Senate as U.S. Coordinator of International Communications and Information Policy with the rank of Ambassador on May 14, 2024, and served in that role until July 25, 2025. He concurrently served as the Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Information and Communications Policy from November 2022. As Coordinator, Ambassador Lang spearheaded U.S. engagement on digital policy issues and promoting trusted ICT infrastructure. He also led the U.S. delegation to numerous international negotiations, including the 2023 World Radiocommunication Conference.

Previously, he served as the Minister-Counselor for Economic Affairs at U.S. Embassy Tokyo (2020-2022) and in the Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs' Office of International Communication and Information Policy (2015-2018). From 2013 to 2015, Steve was the Political Counselor at the U.S. Embassy in Mexico City. He served as Deputy Director of the Office of Chinese and Mongolian Affairs at the Department of State (2011-2013) and as a Senior Analyst in the U.S. Trade Representative's Office of Japan, Korea, and APEC Affairs (2010-2011). Other tours include the Guangzhou, China; Taipei, Taiwan; Bangkok, Thailand; and Havana, Cuba.

Before joining the State Department, Ambassador Lang worked as an economist for the Bureau of Labor Statistics and is a graduate of Georgetown University. He speaks Chinese, Japanese, and Spanish.