

# **Victor Mallet**

Paris Bureau Chief– *Financial Times* Author of *River of Life, River of Death* 

Speaker and Moderator on Asia and India

# Commentator on Asian, Global Economic & Political Developments and India

### **Professional Experience**

- Victor Mallet has been a foreign correspondent and author for more than twenty-five years, covering wars, famines, economic crises, corporate scandals and more in Europe, Africa, Middle East and Asia.
- He is the Paris Bureau Chief- Financial Times, Author of River of Life, River of Death: The Ganges and India's Future and Author of The Trouble with Tigers: The Rise and Fall of South-East Asia
- Formally, Victor Mallet was a senior journalist and editor with the leading daily newspaper, the Financial Times managing the FT's daily news stories from Asia. Prior to this, he was based in New Delhi as the FT's South Asia Bureau Chief and before that was posted to Madrid as the FT Asia Editor.

### Published books, papers and media

- Victor Mallet is the author of a recently-launched book *River of Life, River of Death* (Oxford University Press) written about the Ganges and India's future, an entertaining, comprehensive and up-to-date history of the Ganges which draws on Victor's four years of first-hand reporting and research in India.
- He is also the author of another highly acclaimed book, *The Trouble with Tigers: the Rise and Fall of South-East Asia*, (HarperCollins UK 1999) which exploded the myth of the "miracle" economies of Asia.
- Winner in 2005 and 2006 of the Society of Publishers in Asia's award for opinionwriting.
- He is regularly interviewed as a commentator on radio and television, including CNN and the BBC.

#### Sample assignments

- He presents at conferences and international meetings around the world, and lectures at universities and business schools.
- Victor is a seasoned moderator of business panels and debates at summits, FT Conferences and other such events, including the annual meeting of the Asian Development Bank.
- He delivers informal dinner talks around his most recent book on the Ganges
- He speaks at conferences and client events about Asia, India, and the global world economy

# Victor Mallet - Personal information

- Currently, Paris Bureau Chief, Financial Times, now based in Paris (2019-currently)
- Asia News Editor, based in Hong Kong (2016-2018)
- South Asia Bureau Chief for the Financial Times since 2012 and was recently the Spain Bureau Chief from 2008 to 2012.
- Asia Editor for the *Financial Times* from 2006-8 and Chief Asia Correspondent from 2003-6.
- FT Paris Correspondent 2001-3, Southern Africa Correspondent 1998-2001, South-East Asia. Correspondent 1992-4, Middle East Correspondent 1988-91.
- Before the FT, Victor was a correspondent for Reuters in Johannesburg, Cape Town and Paris.
- Victor is a graduate of Oxford University and holds a degree in English.
- He is fluent in French and conversant in Spanish.



