

SHARANJIT LEYL

INTERNATIONAL BROADCAST JOURNALIST
FORMER PRESENTER FOR BBC WORLD NEWS
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*Bringing over 25 years of broadcasting
experience and journalistic skills to creating
dynamic international conferences and events*

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her journalist profile

Sharanjit is an **experienced broadcaster** with more than **25 years of experience** covering international business, finance and politics. Formerly with the BBC, she anchored *Asia Business Report* and *Newsday* from the BBC's Singapore studio for sixteen years. She has also anchored several **BBC World News** programmes in London, filed reports for radio on the BBC World Service and written for BBC news online.

She has reported for domestic BBC programmes such as ***Breakfast***, the ***One and Six 'clock news*** and regularly anchors live on location for on **breaking stories** in the region.

A **Singaporean** native, she's **presented** and **produced** documentaries on BBC World News including the hour long 'Singapore at 50' and 'Secrets of Singapore', which featured **interviews** from former **leaders** and **pioneers** who helped make it one of the 20th century's economic success stories.



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Assignments

Noteworthy interviews, many of which she also arranged and produced, include the **Prime Ministers** of Canada, New Zealand, Australia, Thailand, Pakistan, Malaysia, Singapore, the **Presidents** of the Philippines, East Timor, the World Bank and the IMF, and **Chief Executives** and **Chairpersons** from various Fortune 500 companies ranging from Microsoft to Walmart.

Sharanjit is now such a familiar face for viewers in Asia that she is regularly invited to moderate **high-level debates** for the **United Nations**, the **World Bank**, the **IMF**, the **ADB** and other NGOs.

She's been **nominated twice** in the best presenter category at the **Asian TV Awards** and was highly commended as best presenter. An episode of *Newsday* that she presented went on to win **Best News Programme** in 2017.



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key facts

Currently ...

- Chancellor of **Bath Spa University, UK**
- Professional *master of ceremonies, moderator* and *event host*

Formerly ...

- Presenter and producer for **BBC World News**
- **Bloomberg TV** from March 2000 in Tokyo
- Joined **Bridge Information Systems** financial news service 1999.
- Began her journalist career with the **Canadian Broadcasting Corporation** in 1997 reporting for the **award-winning** show, "The Pacific Rim Report"
- **Degree in Journalism and English Literature** from The University of Maryland College Park (Washington DC) and then got her **Masters degree in English Literature** from the University of British Columbia

Flies from **Singapore / UK**

Manages programmes for audiences around the world, at conferences, client forums, awards and company special occasions.



Sample engagement:

Conference Chairman. From large, international regional affairs to industry forums.

Session Moderator. Engaged to conduct in-depth moderation of key issues from a panel of speakers.

Awards Host: Welcoming and hosting the evening to ensure the events smooth running, and adding a certain style and professionalism.

Company Event Host / Special Guest: Providing a special dynamic to a company's anniversary event or special announcement dinner or reception

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What People Say

Thank you once again for being with us yesterday and for **steering the ship**. It gives us a huge sense of comfort knowing we have someone like yourself fronting the Forum and running the day in such a **professional** way. Needless to say, feedback has been **overwhelmingly positive**, with special praise for your session with Sir Richard [Branson]. Thank you for your **meticulous preparation**.

*Head of Events Asia Pacific, **Barclays***

Sharanjit was **elegant** and **eloquent, well-prepared**, and **accommodating** to all the changes we had in the programme onsite. We particularly liked the way she was **well researched** and really knew the subject beforehand.

*Anniversary Dinner Event, **Olam***

I would like to extend our sincere **gratitude** and thankfulness for your great support during the night. We have had some really **fantastic** feedback from the attendees. Everyone thought it went off really well. You did an **exceptional job!** Once again, a very big thank you for an **incredible** night!

*Lloyds List - Maritime Intelligence, **Informa***



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