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**Bio & Policy Statement from
A Nominee for Correspondent Member Governor
Board of Governors 2017-2018**



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Affiliation: Financial Times

Policy Statement:

I have worked as a professional journalist and foreign correspondent for more than 30 years, first at Reuters and then for the Financial Times, including more than 12 years in Asia based in Bangkok, Phnom Penh, Hong Kong and New Delhi. *The Trouble with Tigers*, first published in 1999, was my first book, about the industrial revolution in south-east Asia and the Asian financial crisis; my second, *River of Life, River of Death: The Ganges and Modern India*, is to be published in October.

I will seek to strengthen the FCC's relevance for journalists and correspondents, promote the cause of freedom of the press, and help to arrange useful meetings, events and exchanges of information.

Yours faithfully,

Victor Mallet,
Asia news editor
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Biography:

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Born: 14 May 1960
Nationality: British

Victor Mallet is a journalist, commentator and author with three decades of experience in Europe, Asia, the Middle East and Africa. He is currently Asia news editor for the Financial Times.

Previously he was bureau chief in Madrid and Asia editor in Hong Kong. From there, he managed the FT's coverage of the Asia-Pacific and wrote editorials, columns and features on security, politics, economics and business. He twice won the Society of Publishers in Asia award for opinion writing. In India, he was awarded the Ramnath Goenka Award for

Excellence in Journalism as a foreign correspondent for a 2012 feature about the rise of Narendra Modi.

His highly praised book on the south-east Asian industrial revolution and the 1997-98 Asian financial crisis, *The Trouble with Tigers* (HarperCollins), was first published in 1999. He is now writing a book on the Ganges.

Career:

2016 - Asia news editor, Financial Times
2012 - 2016 South Asia bureau chief, Financial Times
2008 - 2012 Madrid bureau chief, Financial Times
2006 - 2008 Asia editor, Financial Times, Hong Kong
2003 - 2006 Chief Asia correspondent, Financial Times, Hong Kong
2001 - 2003 France correspondent, Financial Times, Paris
1998 - 2001 Southern Africa correspondent, Financial Times, Johannesburg
1997 Book writing and research
1995 - 1996 Deputy features editor, Financial Times, London
1992 - 1994 South-east Asia correspondent, Financial Times, Bangkok
1989 - 1991 Middle East correspondent, Financial Times, London
1986 - 1988 Africa correspondent, Financial Times, Lusaka
1983 - 1986 South Africa correspondent, Reuters, Johannesburg and Cape Town
1982 France correspondent, Reuters, Paris following training at Reuters in London

Education:

1978 – 1981 Merton College, Oxford University. Degree in English (BA Hons)
1973 – 1978 Winchester College, Winchester. Three A-levels, seven O-levels

Languages:

Native English, fluent French, fluent Spanish, acquaintance with other languages