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Name

Paul Coia

Topics and Title

Journalist, Broadcaster & Conference Host

Background History

An award-winning broadcaster, journalist and conference host, Paul's career kicked off in 1981 with his own local radio show which was followed by a chat series, Meet Paul Coia, for Scottish Television. Since then he has worked extensively on a variety of programmes, including for the BBC and ITV The Holiday Programme, Pebble Mill at One, This Morning, Garden Party, Catchword and Children in Need.

Similarly, for radio he has worked with a number of stations from Glasgow's Radio Clyde to Radios Two and Four, where he has presented every type of radio show from hard rock to soul and jazz, from the top forty to politics and chat. Most recently Paul has become the voice of Disney's new satellite station ABC1 and he is a regular contributor to London's LBC and BBC Radio Scotland.

Paul has written extensively for many papers including *The Sunday Times*, *The Guardian*, *Herald* and *Evening Times*. He also runs his own communication and training company, teaching business leaders the art of presentation, media handling and public speaking, and is currently writing a book on the subject of business presentations and communication.

Areas of Expertise

On the corporate front, Paul experience is extensive. Working predominantly in the medical, financial and IT sectors Paul has presented conferences, videos, exhibitions, satellite links and product launches for blue chip companies around the world.

He has also fronted tailor made television shows for delegates, hosted award ceremonies, incentivising and motivational seminars, and much more. In 2005 he chaired the annual Barclays Bank annual conference for 1400 delegates, and co-hosted the annual IVCA Awards at London's Grosvenor House – the corporate production companies' own awards for excellence in live event production.

Client Comments:

"Working with Paul was not only very productive but also a lot of fun.... He certainly delivered"

Jan Vonder Muhll, Group Communications Director, Credit Suisse – Zurich

“As usual Paul was very professional and extremely well prepared....excellent!”

Jim Reeve, MD of Financial Planning, Barclays Bank

“Thank you so much for your sterling work... your sheer professionalism shone through”

Wayne Drew, Chief Executive, IVCA Awards

“Paul made the whole show.... Knows how to bring out the best in non professional speakers”

Dorothee de Backer, Marketing Manager, Philips Electrical – Holland

“You are our first choice. Your facilitating on stage is perfect”

Head of Global Sales, Avaya

“Fantastic to work with you....we think you are brilliant”

Lord Leitch, CEO Zurich Financial Services