



Aerospace communication
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writer

Born : Fontainebleau
France, 4 August 1948
Nationality : British
Bilingual French-English

Education
- Lycée Français de Londres
(science 'A' levels)
- Philosophy and French
Sussex University, Brighton

Left Britain in 1976 to
move to Toulouse France

Married, two children

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Counting down for you
and space science
exploration

Martin OA RANSOM

Professional career - clients

BRITAIN

BBC local and national radio (freelance)
London Broadcasting Company LBC (1972 - 1975)
Producer of the 'AM' early morning news sequence

FRANCE

SUD Radio, Toulouse (1976 - 1996)
Reporter, then Senior News Editor, specialising in technology and aerospace

LBC Radio London, and Independent Radio News, UK
Permanent correspondent in France (1976 - 1986)
Current affairs and general news

Arianespace launch commentator (1993 - 1999)
Some 20 missions: SPOT-3, ERS-2, ISO, Meteosat-7...

European Space Agency Launch video commentaries / moderator
(Ariane 501, 502, 503, Cassini-Huygens, STS-90 Neurolab, XMM-Newton).
ESA-TV producer/presenter for Mars Express arrival coverage and first science results
videos (Dec.-Jan. 2003-2004). Script writer for various ESA Television mission film
reports. Senior television producer and presenter for the arrival coverage of the Cas-
sini-Huygens mission (2004-2005). Producer/presenter for ESA coverage of NASA's
Deep Impact mission (July 2005). Producer/presenter for ESA coverage of Venus Express
launch & mission (Nov. 2005 - April 2006). SMART-1 impact on the Moon coverage
(Sept. 2006)

ESA & Eumetsat Producer/presenter for launch of MetOp-A (July-December 2006)

ESA, CNES and Arianespace Production contract for the 'Ariane 503' website

Space sector industrial companies

Consultant work (script/film documentary direction, brochures, translations, event mo-
deration) for Astrium, Alcatel Space, EADS...

Public meetings symposium moderator and TV presenter for various organisations (Airbus,
Aerospatiale, Bureau Veritas, CNAM, CNES, CCI Toulouse, Science Animation...) - Media train-
ing consultant for JND Consultants Toulouse.

Press Regular contributor to English and French technical/business and popular magazines
(Air et Cosmos, SpaceFlight, TeleSatellite, European Space Report, Sputnik...)

Audiovisual Collaborator for ABAC Effect, Master Image, Icom (Toulouse) and SP Video
(Amsterdam)

www.go-Ariane.com (1996 - 2005)

Animator of the personal web site devoted to Ariane launchers, Arianespace and Euro-
pean space activities, notably in Toulouse and Kourou.

European Space Agency Science Communication Services (Noordwijk, NL)

Contracted 1998-2001, working alongside ESA project managers and project scientists
and principal investigators with web content and PR responsibilities for the XMM-New-
ton, SMART-1 and INTEGRAL missions.

CNES French space agency

Contracted for press, Internet and launch communication for the JASON-1 mission
(1999 - 2001). On contract for video and web reports to CNES-tv and CNES.fr web-
sites (1999-2003). Moderator for CNES PR event for the launch of INTEGRAL (October
2002). Contract work for CNES Demeter mission (October 2003)

ESA-Television / Euronews (2004 - 2006)

Producer-editor for the fortnightly Euronews 'Space' magazine.