

Allan Little



Allan Little was born and raised in Galloway, and educated at Edinburgh University.

He joined the BBC in 1983 in Glasgow, moving to London in 1985 to train as a reporter.

Allan Little joined the “Today” programme as a reporter, moving into Foreign News in 1989. His first major assignment was the fall of communism that year.

He reported the Gulf War from Baghdad in 1991, then the war in Yugoslavia from 1991-95.

Allan Little worked as BBC Africa Correspondent based in Johannesburg, from 1995-97 and again from 2000-01. He also served as BBC Moscow Correspondent in 1997-99, and as BBC Paris Correspondent from 2001-05.

Allan has reported from more than 80 countries, several wars and revolutions, as well as natural disasters. He has covered the crisis of the European project, and led BBC coverage of the Scottish independence referendum on 2014. He has presented the “Today” Programme, “PM”, “Panorama” and “Newsnight”.

Among awards, he has won Reporter of the Year and the Charles Wheeler Award for outstanding Contribution to Broadcast Journalism.

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