

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY



ROD ORAM

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Rod Oram was born in the United Kingdom.

He spent 20 years as an international financial journalist in Europe and North America, and travelled extensively in those continents and in Asia. From 1975 to 1979 Rod held various journalist positions in Canada and from 1979 to 1997 he held a variety of posts at the Financial Times, London and New York City.[1]

In 1997 he and his family emigrated to New Zealand, where he was editor of the Business Herald section of The New Zealand Herald from 1997 to 2000. Oram was a triple awardwinner at the 2004 Qantas Media Awards; as business columnist of the year, business feature writer of the year and winner of the NZTE travel scholarship for his writing on innovation in New Zealand.[2]

In the 2006 Westpac Business & Financial Journalism Awards Oram won the Reporting on Corporate Responsibility, Sustainability or Community Engagement category.[citation needed]

Penguin published Oram's book about the New Zealand economy, Reinventing Paradise, in August 2007.

In August 2016, Oram's book Three Cities: Seeking Hope in the Anthropocene was published by Bridget Williams Books.