



## Paul Salopek

Paul Salopek is the founding executive director of the Out of Eden Walk Project. He is a journalist and writer, having reported globally for National Geographic magazine, the *Chicago Tribune*, the *New York Times*, the *New Yorker*, Politico, Al Jazeera, BBC, PBS, *Foreign Policy*, and many other broadcasting networks and publications. Salopek is the recipient of several major print journalism awards, including two Pulitzer Prizes. Between 1996 and 2009, he reported for the *Chicago Tribune*, writing mostly about conflicts in Africa, the Middle East and Central Asia. Prior to that, Salopek worked on staff for National Geographic magazine from 1992 to 1995. In 2012, he won a Nieman

Foundation Fellowship from Harvard University to study ancient human migrations and human genetics. Salopek also taught international reporting at Princeton University as a Princeton Ferris-McGraw fellow and was awarded an honorary PhD in humanities from Colby College. He holds a degree in environmental biology from the University of California at Santa Barbara.