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**Areas of Interests and Professional Experience:** His main areas of interest are social and environmental issues. He has written widely about such topics as suicide, domestic violence, and animal rights, while his 2017 book “Yoshida’s Dilemma” looked at the Fukushima nuclear disaster and Japan’s nuclear energy policy. He was formerly a staff writer at The Japan Times and a photojournalist with Bloomberg News and the European Pressphoto Agency. As a freelance writer and photographer he has contributed articles and images to publications around the globe, including the Los Angeles Times, The Daily Telegraph, the South China Morning Post, The Australian, and New Scientist magazine. He is also co-founder of a media cooperative. In recent years he has worked as a program coordinator for global NGOs in war- and disaster-affected countries such as Ukraine and Turkiye. He is the recipient of two international journalism awards.

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