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Henry Bonsu is one of Britain's leading broadcasters of African origin. A Modern Languages (German and French) graduate of Magdalen College, Oxford University, he has worked on the UK's biggest current affairs shows, including BBC Radio 4's Today programme. Henry has also presented shows on satellite TV channels including Vox Africa, BET International and Press TV - and been an analyst on BBC News, Sky News, Al Jazeera and Arise News. His key topics are cultural relations in politics and education, business and international development.

Henry began his career as a print journalist writing on politics and culture for specialist UK newspapers like The Voice, then The Times, Express, Guardian and the London Evening Standard. He then invested in Colourful, a digital radio station targeting Europe's African and Caribbean communities. Henry is now an international MC, specialising in global economic development, health, education, and the transition from the MDGs to the SDGs. Since last year he has hosted summits at the UN General Assembly in New York, at COP21 in Paris, at The Hague, Kigali, Abidjan, in Incheon, Arusha, Cape Town and Johannesburg. Last July he facilitated eight events at the landmark Financing For Development conference in Addis Ababa, and in September a further six SDG sessions at the UN General Assembly. Last year he has hosted the Cartier Women's Initiative 10 year anniversary gala at the Women's Forum in Dubai, the inaugural New African Women Forum gala in London, and moderated at the first WHO African Ministerial Summit on Immunisation in Addis. As well as cultural and development events, Henry hosts major business gatherings like the African Banker Awards, African Business Awards, and the Global African Investment Summit.

His corporate clients include Maersk, KPMG and Cartier International for whom he has successfully facilitated conferences and ceremonies on key issues ranging from diversity to sustainability.