



Tuesday 13 October

16:10 Quiz the finalists: Part One

Session preparation

Features categories in the ABSW annual awards are always inundated with entries, so how do you write one that will stand out from the rest? Four of this year's shortlisted entrants will talk about what made their articles special – from dreaming up the idea to nailing the right interviews; and from crafting the narrative to working synergistically with the editor.

Read these masterpieces beforehand then come and quiz the panel – the *BBC's* Victoria Gill and the *Economist's* Alok Jha; Michael Le Page of *New Scientist*, and freelancer Gayathri Vaidyanathan, whose piece appeared in *Nature*.

The discussion will be chaired by former *Mosaic* features editor Mun Keat Looi, now international features editor of the *BMJ*.

Please set aside half an hour to read the articles beforehand: they are all terrific reads and you will follow and contribute to the discussion best that way.

Victoria GILL	Chernobyl: The End of a Three-Decade Experiment
Amit KATWALA	Global Insect Populations are Falling and Nobody Knows Why
Michael Le PAGE	Beating Cancer: how viruses are being used to infect and kill tumours (see attached PDF)
Gayathri VAIDYANATHAN	India's Tigers Seem to be a Massive Success Story