

Jonathan Pain

Global Economics Expert & Keynote Speaker

Jonathan Pain is the author and publisher of the widely read investment newsletter, The Weekly Pain Report, which provides an independent and global perspective of the financial markets and the world economy.

The Director of JP Consulting NSW Pty Ltd., he has 30 years of international investment experience, having led investment teams in London, Bahrain and Australia.



Well known for his contrarian views, Jonathan is a regular guest on CNBC TV as well as Sky Business TV. He is a sought-after speaker at hundreds of investment conferences and seminars around the world.

Jonathan is also an 'associate' of China Matters. Since 2003, he has repeatedly said that the most significant and defining economic phenomenon of our lifetime is the rise of the Asian middle classes.

In numerous speeches and articles in 2006 Jonathan highlighted the unsustainable levels of debt and the housing bubble in America, and respected commentators such as Alan Kohler have acknowledged his warnings of that impending crisis. One of his most controversial and contrarian calls was to predict that Donald Trump would win the US election.

Engaging diversified audiences from children to finance experts is no easy feat, however Jonathan Pain excels with his finely crafted and highly engaging, entertaining and well-researched perspective of the world we now live in ... and can look forward to.

His plain-speaking dialogue enables everyone to follow and fully engage with his message, to the extent that he has been rated the best presenter at hundreds of events for clients including The Financial Planning Association, Institute of Chartered Accountants and The Australian Investors Association.

Jonathan holds a joint honours degree in Economics and Politics from Keele University and a Masters degree in Finance from Exeter University.

Having been born in South Africa and lived in Lesotho, Swaziland, England and Bahrain, Jonathan now calls Australia home.

Client testimonials

“ Jonathan always focuses my mind on the important conclusions and ramifications of events, which are sometimes hard to see. Always invite him to speak.

- ***FPA Queensland State Conference***

“ We have received excellent feedback from our clients and many said it was the best talk that they have heard for a long time. Your contribution is greatly appreciated and I am sure it will also add to our clients' perception of Rothschild as a fund manager.

- ***Worley Securities***

“ Congratulations on a professional presentation which was without doubt, the best of the conference. Accolades continue to roll in...

- ***Australian Financial Services Limited***

“ As an absolute lay person in terms of world economics, I found the presentation very helpful in understanding the economic future.

- ***William Buck 2007 Economic Update***

“ You were ranked the most popular speaker on our conference evaluation forms...generating comments such as first class, thought provoking, great passion, intelligent and relevant.

- ***Macquarie Investment Services***

“ Feedback from the delegates indicate that your presentation at the conference was once again rated the very best overall...Congratulations.

- ***Australian Investors Association***

“ Cuts through the issues in a language we can follow ... excellent and superb, very inspiring ...Jonathan put all facts in a perspective that no other economists have done.

- ***Lifespan Financial Planning***

“ The feedback to Jonathan's session was a thought provoking, engaging but above all entertaining presentation. Members from our audience stated they would happily have stayed another hour to listen to Jonathan and pepper him with questions. His perspective certainly allows some food for thought.

- *tph Insolvency*

“ Excellent - one of the best responses we have had from our delegates on an external speaker. Would highly recommend - informative, so engaging and gave a priceless and relevant analysis on today's economic and political climate.

- *Fiducian Portfolio Services Limited*

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