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M. Sanjayan is a leading ecologist, speaker, writer and an Emmy-nominated news contributor focused on the role of conservation in improving human well-being, wildlife and the environment. He is currently filming his new TV series, *Earth In the Age of Man*, which will air on PBS in 2015. In spring 2014, he will star in James Cameron's *Years of Living Dangerously*, a documentary series event that will explore the human impact of climate change.

As the lead scientist for The Nature Conservancy – the world's largest environmental organization – Sanjayan travels extensively to research the nexus between saving nature and improving the well being of people. His scientific work has been published in journals including *Science*, *Nature* and *Conservation Biology* and has also received mainstream media coverage from *Vanity Fair*, *Men's Journal*, *National Geographic Adventure*, *Outside* and *The New York Times*.

An environmental education specialist, Sanjayan is an advocate for using technology to engage youth with nature. His most recent project is a digital platform for environmental education called Nature Works Everywhere (natureworkseverywhere.org). Launched in 2012, Nature Works Everywhere already has a following of over 700,000 students and teachers and received a 2013 gold Edison award for innovation in learning.

Sanjayan regularly contributes to CBS News' science, environment and nature coverage. His story on the ivory wars in Africa recently received a 2013 news Emmy Award nomination for "outstanding investigative journalism." Additional stories include global climate change, fire management in the west and marine debris.

Sanjayan's broad reaching television experience includes co-hosting documentaries for BBC, Discovery Channel, PBS and National Geographic TV, including his critically acclaimed 2010 four-part series, *Powering the Future*, on the Discovery Channel. Guest appearances include NBC's Today Show, The Late Show with David Letterman, NBC Nightly News, CNN, Fox News, and the BBC.

Sanjayan is a sought after speaker on college and business campuses with recent appearances on stage at TED Global, International Women's Forum, Aspen Environment Forum, Aspen Ideas Festival, Clinton Global Initiative, Google, and the Summit Series.

He most recently moderated MIT's Global 2.0 forum, which included the participation of the Dalai Lama. He is a Catto Fellow at the Aspen Institute and a senior advisor to the Clinton Global Initiative.

When not off on an expedition, usually to Africa or Asia, Sanjayan can be found fly-fishing or hiking in Western Montana, where he tries to live. Follow Sanjayan on twitter (@msanjayan).