

## Inspirational talk by China based adventurer

Why not bring **a breath of fresh air** to your strategy meeting, department meeting, training seminar, sales conference, away day ...

Christian Havrehed leaves audiences inspired and ready to face new challenges because, in the end, **anything is possible!**



Christian and Sun Haibin rowed 5,000km unsupported across the Atlantic Ocean in a 7m long rowing boat, spending 56 days alone at sea encountering storms, whales and a near run down by a ship in the dark...

9 months before the race, they did not know each other, could not row, did not have a rowing boat, nor any sponsors. They finished the race 8<sup>th</sup> out of 36 competitors, having beaten several international standard rowers. They also raised more than US\$88,000 for PRC charity and became the first persons from their countries (Denmark and China) to row across an ocean. Sun Haibin was subsequently nominated "Sportsman of the Year" in China.

### Tailor the talk to your needs

Chinese and Westerners working better together  
Achieving those seemingly impossible targets  
Completing a job on time and to a high level of quality  
Injecting genuine enthusiasm into the work place  
Improving/helping the wider community  
Showing compassion for others  
Other...

Talks are given in Mandarin or English

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"Hugely inspiring – reinforced the messages from our strategy ... what an achievement"

Rob Wells, General Manager, PeopleSoft North Asia

"Superb evening - very entertaining. It was excellent"

Koko Mueller, Events Co-ordinator, Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club

"A stimulating combination of adventure, initiative, bravery, philanthropy, and perseverance - hugely appreciated"

Rupert McCowan, Manager, Royal Geographic Society

"Very personable, enthusiastic and passionate ... a real inspiration for how to focus and achieve"

Dr. Mark Konyon, Chief Marketing Officer, Allianz Dresdner Asset Management – Asia Pacific

## Christian Havrehed – Biography



Christian grew up on a small island in Denmark where he taught himself to sail at an early age.

At 16 he won a scholarship to attend Atlantic College in the UK; a school that promotes international understanding. Here he got interested in China, and at the same time managed to win the British Championship in Surf Life Saving.

During a quick stay at Beijing University in 1989, which coincided with the Tiananmen Incident, Christian observed how to make Molotov cocktails and experienced leaving on an evacuation plane.

Undeterred, he went on to study Chinese and live and work in China for 4 years. He now speaks fluent Mandarin.

In 2001 he organised “The Yantu Project”, which involved rowing unsupported 5,000km across the Atlantic Ocean as part of the Ward Evans Cross Atlantic Rowing Challenge. Not only did Christian build his rowing boat in China, but he also rowed with a PRC rowing partner and raised more than US\$88,000 for charity used to send PRC students to Atlantic College. They finished 8<sup>th</sup> out of 36 teams having spent 56 days alone at sea. His rowing partner was subsequently nominated for “Sportsman of the Year” in China.

In mid 2002 Christian spent 8 weeks sailing an old steel ketch, built in 1905, from Hong Kong up the coast of China to Wenzhou as part of a film crew making documentaries for Danish television. The trip constituted the most extensive cruising to China since the foundation of the Peoples Republic in 1949.

When Christian is not undertaking adventures he works as an account manager, gives after-dinner talks, and provides cross cultural teambuilding training.

Profession: China focused adventurer / Account Manager

Date of birth: 2 May 1970

Status: Married to Veronique

Children: Victor, newly hatched in Shanghai

Residence: Shanghai, China

Television: 3 documentaries in China  
1 talk show in China  
3 documentaries in Denmark

Books: Beijing to Barbados in a rowboat

Interests: Chinese history  
Life guarding  
Cultural diversity  
Charity  
Wood chopping  
Sailing

Languages: English  
Mandarin  
Danish  
German

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