



# **CSA CELEBRITY SPEAKERS**

Benedict Allen, one of Britain's most prominent explorers, is best known for his arduous expeditions to remote corners of the globe without the help of any technology back-up and surviving against all the odds in adverse conditions. By not using a film-crew and pioneering the use of a hand-held video camera, he allowed millions of people around the world to witness for the first time adventures unfolding genuinely in inhospitable terrain and has paved the way for the current generation of TV adventurers.

"Benedict is part of the history of television" Mark Thompson, Director General, BBC

#### In detail

Benedict studied Environmental Science at the University of East Anglia, where he managed to undertake three scientific expeditions during his final year. After a short stay at University of Aberdeen he undertook his first independent expedition, a crossing from the mouth of the Orinoco to the mouth of the Amazon. A string of expeditions followed including crossings of the Amazon, Africa, The Gobi Desert and Siberia. His adventures are depicted in his books which include 2 best-sellers and six BBC television series.

# What he offers you

Benedict Allen has experience of surviving adversity in some of the world's most remote location. An accomplished adventurer, he uses his experiences to inspire and motivate audiences around the globe to achieve their own personal goals and shows that is it possible to succeed even when faced with adversity.

# How he presents

With that rare ability to enthral and educate audiences with a great story, Benedict's presentations are a balanced mix of entertaining anecdotes and inspirational messages where he guides audiences through a world of adventure and emotion.

# Topics

Motivation Teamwork

- Achieving the Impossible
- Surviving Against the Odds

# Languages

He presents in English.

# Want to know more?

Give us a call or send us an e-mail to find out exactly what he could bring to your event.

# How to book him?

Simply phone, fax or e-mail us.

Video

# Publications 2006 Into the Abyss 2002 The Faber Book of Exploration 2000 Last of the Medicine Men 1998 The Edge of Blue Heaven - a journey through Mongolia 1997 The Skeleton Coast - a journey through the Namib Desert 1996 More Great Railway Journeys

#### 1994

Through Jaguar Eyes - crossing the Amazon Basin

#### 1991

The Proving Grounds - a journey through the interior of New Guinea and Australia

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Hunting the Gugu - in search of the Lost Ape-men of Sumatra

#### 1987

Into the Crocodile's Nest - a journey inside New Guinea

#### 1985

Mad White Giant - a journey to the heart of Amazon Jungle