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# **David Lim**

**Chief Motivation Officer - Everest Motivation Team Leader of Singapore's First Everest Expedition** 

Speaker & Facilitator on Leadership & Motivation



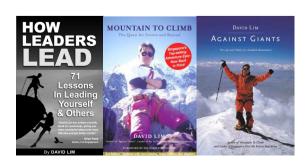
A sought-after inspirational speaker who has delivered presentations internationally. Partially disabled from a devastating rare nerve disorder, his comeback story of overcoming the odds makes David a truly inspirational figure.

### **Professional experience**

- David Lim has a decade of experience delivering solutions in negotiation, leadership and team leadership skills across 75 cities in 33 countries. He delivers a timeless message of overcoming the odds, the need for passion, inventiveness and perseverance.
- David is best known for leading the landmark first Singapore Everest Expedition in 1998, which succeeded in placing two members on the peak. David went on to complete 70 more ascents after overcoming a rare, disabling nerve disorder which resulted from his first Everest expedition.
- He is the only Singaporean (and only one of 10 in Asia) who is a Certified Speaking Professional, the highest accreditation for professional speakers. He also received the CSPGlobal designation in December 2013 – accreditation conferred on those who have proven mastery of the core global speaking competencies.
- In the corporate world, he spent nearly a decade in the media industry with positions in marketing, journalism management and multimedia. His other positions include being and adjunct lecturer at INSEAD Business School.
- David is also a credentialed workshop leader, large-group faciliator and teambuilder. His leadership
  expertise has been widely profiled in *The Wall Street Journal* and Singapore's *The Straits Times*newspaper. As a mountaineer, *The Sunday Times* described him as "unstoppable" after he climbed his
  seventh virgin peak in September 2012. His come-back story was featured on the cover or *Readers Digest* magazine in 2001.

#### **Books by David Lim**

- Mountain to Climb: The Quest for Everest and Beyond (1998)
- Against Giants: The Life and Climbs of a Disabled Mountaineer (2003)
- How Leaders Lead: 71 Lessons in Leading Yourself and Others (2011)



## Sample assignments

David is a sought-after leadership coach and speaker, particularly in the realm of motivation, negotiation and building high performance teams. Sample presentation topics are:

- Creating a shared success vision
- The Wake Up Test of personal values
- Why change is hard, and you can lead change
- How to set goals, and get them
- Create a winning culture at work
- The 1% Rule at improving
- Overcoming enormous odds
- Doing more with less; having the Alpinist Attitude
- The Five 'C's choosing the right people and the right team

David and his team have delivered programmes and presentations in over 33 countries and 75 cities worldwide. Clients include Walmart, Google, LinkedIn, Lego, McKinsey & Co., Chevron, Shell, BP, AXA, AIA, UBS, Standard Chartered Bank, INSEAD Business School, Prudential, Citibank, Novartis, TATA Motors, Ministries of Manpower, Defence and Education (in Singapore), and many more.

#### David Lim - Personal bio-data

- 1999 Present: Founder of leadership and coaching consultancy Everest Motivation Team Pte Ltd.
- 2007-8: President of Asia Professional Speakers.
- 2000-9: Adjunct lecturer at INSEAD Business School.
- 1998: Led the landmark First Singapore Everest Expedition.
- Held management roles at a publishing house for nearly a decade until 1998.
- Holds a B.A. in Law from Cambridge University, United Kingdom

#### Client testimonials

"David's speech was truly uplifting and inspirational. His adventures have given him excellent life lessons that he is able to translate into everyday experiences. There wasn't a dull moment in his speech, and he has a marvelous sense of humor. I would recommend David to anyone who has an opportunity to hear him speak. Don't hesitate it will be a valuable use of your time that you won't regret." Walmart

"I have to first start my complimenting you on an excellent performance during our leadership conference last December. We received the most positive feedback on your session for the whole conference as our colleagues were so moved and motivated by your stories. Thank you so much for delivering the unforgettable experience to us." General Manager - Sales & Marketing, **Daimler Financial Services** 

"Your presentation did make an impact on the attendees - they have been talking about "fierce dialogues," some in a fun way, and some in serious tone. I am sure you are happy to hear of the "retained" takeaway." HR Director, ACI Worldwide

