



### CSA CELEBRITY SPEAKERS

Isabel Ariane Suppé is a high altitude climber with an amazing story. In 2010 whilst climbing Ala Izquierda in Bolivia, her partner fell and pulled her with him, 400 meters to the bottom of the face. Against all odds, Isabel survived and spent two days and night dragging herself severely injured to the other side of the glacier at more than 5000 meters above sea level. She was eventually rescued and had to undergo 10 highly complicated surgeries so as to achieve something seemingly impossible: saving her right foot. Two months after her last operation, when she was still unable to carry any weight at all, Isabel climbed Dos Conos on crutches after she pushed her gear up to high camp on her bike. One month later she completed the first female solo ascent of Mount Cachi, one of the highest mountains in the Andes.

"I decide to continue. To keep on dragging myself over the ice, maybe for nothing. So as to at least not to die without having fought to the last; to have a chance as tiny as it may be to live"

#### In detail

Climbing has been everything to Isabel since she was 6 years old. Isabel has a very extensive climbing resume including many technical faces of great difficulty in the Andes. Exactly one year after the accident, she opened a new extremely difficult ice-route in Bolivia together with Robert Rauch. The route is named "The Birthday of the Broken Leg". She has summited many of the highest mountains in the Andes, including the inhospitable and almost inaccessible Mount Pissis and the technically challenging South Face of Cerro Mercedario.

## What she offers you

Isabel tells an inspirational story explaining how, through sheer determination she was able to admire the beauty of the 'starry sky' above the Condoriri Massif in Bolivia even after she was literally shattered at the bottom of the ice face she was trying to climb on 2010.

## How she presents

Isabel is an inspirational and effective corporate speaker. She talks in depth about her climbing experiences and inspires audiences with her fantastic stories.

# Topics

Overcoming Adversity Planning and Goal Setting Motivation: Overcoming One's Perceived Limitations Personal Development

### Languages

She presents in Spanish, English, French, German, Italian and Brazilian Portuguese.

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# How to book her?

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#### Publications

#### **2012**

Starry NightIsabel's book, Starry Night, tells of her long journey from the day she nearly died back to life, from learning to take one first painful step back to climbing mountains. It has been a finalist for the prestigious Premio Desnivel literature award and has received special recognition by the judges. It has been published in English, Spanish, and soon to be in Italian. The book was in the shortlist for the 2013 Boardman Tasker Prize for Mountain Literature.