



# Terry Waite CBE

Hostage Negotiator, Humanitarian and Author



## CSA CELEBRITY SPEAKERS

Terry Waite's journey as a diplomat and humanitarian has been nothing short of extraordinary. He has earned global recognition as an eminent ambassador of peace, serving as a shining example of the indomitable strength and determination of the human spirit. Terry has committed himself to advancing humanitarian causes, fostering intercultural understanding, and actively pursuing solutions for conflicts worldwide.

"He touched our hearts, our minds, our souls"

### In detail

Waite garnered international recognition in the 1980s when, serving as a special envoy to the Archbishop of Canterbury, he successfully negotiated the release of hostages in Iran and Libya in 1987, while negotiating the release of hostages in Beirut, Waite was himself taken hostage. In captivity for 1,763 days (four years of which were in solitary confinement), he was chained to a wall, often left in darkness, beaten and subjected to mock executions.

### What he offers you

Terry's awe-inspiring mindset and unwavering mental resilience have a profound impact on audiences, leaving them deeply motivated and empowered to bring about positive change within society.

### How he presents

With his unique experiences in handling stress, combating loneliness, and navigating high-pressure negotiation situations, Terry Waite possesses invaluable insights into these complex issues. As a result, he has become a sought-after speaker, not only within the business community but also among professionals in various fields such as social work, education, medicine, and religious groups.

### Topics

- Iraq, Guantanamo and Human Rights
- Beyond Captivity: Turning Misfortune into Positive Actions
- International Terrorism: Examining the Root Causes
- Public Service, Personal Faith
- Overcoming the Roadblocks to Peace in the Middle East
- Resilience and Dealing with Adversity

### Languages

He presents in English

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### How to book him?

Simply phone or e-mail us.

### Publications

#### 2017

Solitude: Memories, People, Places

#### 2016

Out of the Silence: Memories, Poems, Reflections

#### 2016

Taken on Trust: 25th Anniversary Edition

### Credentials

#### 1992

Doctor h.c. Yale University Divinity School

#### 1992

Doctor of International Law h.c. and Honorary Chancellor, Florida Southern University

#### 1992

Honorary L.H.D. (Wittenburg University)

#### 1985

Templeton UK award BBC Man of the Year

#### 1992

Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE)

#### 1982

Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE)