



Lech Wałęsa

Former President of Poland and Nobel Peace Prize Winner

"A powerful voice for democracy, freedom, and the dignity of human labour"

Lech Wałęsa is one of the most influential political leaders of the 20th century, recognised worldwide for his pivotal role in ending communist rule in Central and Eastern Europe. As the co-founder and leader of Solidarity, he inspired a peaceful revolution that reshaped global history.

TOPICS:

- The Power of Peaceful Change: Lessons from Solidarity
- Leadership and Moral Courage in Times of Transformation
- Building Democracy: From Resistance to Renewal
- Human Rights, Freedom, and the Global Responsibility of Citizens
- The Future of Europe and the Legacy of the Cold War
- Technology, Globalisation, and the New Faces of Solidarity

IN DETAIL:

In 1983, Wałęsa was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his leadership and moral courage in advancing social justice through peaceful resistance. Following Poland's transition to democracy, he served as the country's first democratically elected president from 1990 to 1995, overseeing the nation's political and economic transformation. After leaving office, he founded the Lech Wałęsa Institute, dedicated to promoting democracy, civil society, and human rights around the world. A compelling storyteller and moral leader, he continues to advocate for unity, ethical leadership, and the responsible use of technology and power in shaping the future.

WHAT HE OFFERS YOU:

Wałęsa shares a deeply human perspective on leadership, resilience, and the pursuit of freedom. Drawing on his extraordinary journey, he provides audiences with powerful lessons on courage, negotiation, and moral conviction in times of uncertainty. His insights resonate not only in politics but also in business, leadership, and social innovation.

LANGUAGES:

He presents in Polish.

PUBLICATIONS:

2008 Freedom and Solidarity
1992 The Struggle and The Triumph: An Autobiography
1991 A Path of Hope: An Autobiography

HOW HE PRESENTS:

Lech Wałęsa's presentations are inspiring, reflective, and profoundly moving. Speaking with authenticity, he connects historical experience with contemporary challenges, leaving audiences motivated to act with integrity, responsibility, and vision. His presence embodies the triumph of dialogue over conflict and the enduring value of human dignity.