



## Dr Mo Ibrahim

### Entrepreneur and Philanthropist

*"Providing a forum for a coherent African voice on political and economic development"*

Dr Mo Ibrahim is a global expert in mobile communications with a distinguished academic and business career. More recently, he has played a leading advocacy role on issues of African development and governance, through his Foundation and through participation in a range of global initiatives.

#### TOPICS:

- Economy and Finance
- Governance and Leadership
- Sustainability
- Mobile Communications
- Geopolitics
- Digital Development

#### LANGUAGES:

He presents in English.

#### IN DETAIL:

In 1998, Dr Ibrahim founded MSI Cellular Investments, which was later renamed Celtel International. The company operates in 15 African countries, under licences that cover more than a third of the continent's population. The company has invested more than \$750 million in Africa, helping to bring the benefits of mobile communications to millions of people across the continent. In 2005, Celtel was sold to MTC Kuwait for \$3.4 billion, making it one of Africa's most successful companies ever. The Mo Ibrahim Foundation was established in 2006 with a focus on the critical importance of leadership and governance in Africa.

#### WHAT HE OFFERS YOU:

Dr Ibrahim himself insists he's just an engineer who happened to work hard, be in the right place at the right time and have a reasonable amount of common sense. His latest venture entails nothing less than the re-branding of Africa and the generating of pressure for better, less corrupt governments on the continent.

#### HOW HE PRESENTS:

An internationally respected voice on the African economy, Dr Ibrahim is highly sought after by audiences eager to hear his informative, insightful and unforgettable presentations.