



## Slaven Bilić

**Croatian Football Manager & Former Professional Player**

*"One of the best Managers in Europe"*

Slaven Bilić is a renowned football manager and former professional footballer, celebrated for his tactical acumen, leadership, and insightful commentary on the sport. He has had a prolific career both on and off the pitch. His journey from a tenacious defender to a respected football manager and pundit has made him a notable figure in the world of football.

### TOPICS:

- Leadership
- Motivation
- Teamwork
- Sports
- After Dinner
- Awards

### LANGUAGES:

He presents in English.

### IN DETAIL:

Following his playing retirement Slaven managed the Croatian under-21 team before taking over the senior national side. He led the team to the quarterfinals of the 2008 European championship and left after the next edition four years later. He was praised for his long-standing service to the national side and credited with successfully overseeing the introduction of a series of young players from the under-21 squad to the senior side. He left for the Russian club Lokomotiv Moscow and then spent two years managing Turkish club Beşiktaş and West Ham. He also managed Al-Ittihad in Saudi Arabia, West Bromwich Albion in the English Championship, leading them to promotion to the Premier League in 2020, and Beijing Guoan in China. Most recently, he managed Watford in the English Championship.

### WHAT HE OFFERS YOU:

Slaven Bilić's compelling life story, combined with his expertise in football management and strategy, make him an engaging and insightful speaker for any sports-related event or conference.

### HOW HE PRESENTS:

Slaven has fought his way to the top of his profession with peerless dedication and incredible motivation. He is a great motivator and an excellent communicator, who is now in high demand as a speaker.