

## Dialogue in the Dark

### International Guest Testimonials

**“Managerial staff without a personal identity often fails to get across fundamental concepts for decisions. A few hours in darkness helps sharpen the identity of any manager.”**

*~Klaus Schwab, Founder and Executive Chairman of the World Economic Forum, 2007*

**“令人耳目一新的難得體驗，可以在百忙中走進另一個世界好好反思人生。非常值得推薦。”**

*~ 文灼非 信報月刊總編輯*

**“我一直以為自己很理性，相信命運由自己操控，原來在黑暗中，我會覺得自己無助，要靠手杖，要靠別人。在 DiD 工作坊中，我聽見旁邊那人淡定的談吐，幾分鐘內便相信了她，平日是不可能。原來無助時，我們需要相信別人。”**

*~ 蔡東豪 精電國際行政總裁*

**“黑暗中的對話讓人以心靈建立互信，領悟光明的可貴，反思溝通的重要。”**

*~ 許曉暉女士 民政事務局副局长*

**“The DiD program is a wonderful tool for team building. Among the many benefits, people experience the importance of communication in full darkness and some even have to overcome their fear arising from a dark environment.”**

*~ Dr. Jane Lee, Head of College of Business & Finance, HKU SPACE*

**“學校的課程緊湊，以考試主導，學生很少有機會認識社會上不同的人，學懂關懷以及建立同理心。【黑暗中對話】的經歷，讓學生能逆地而處，了解視障人士的世界。”**

*~ 黃英琦, JP*

**“Dialogue in the Dark executive workshop helps me to think in new angles and handle things with new methods. Innovation is far yet close if we are willing to face changes.”**

*~ Ma Fung-Kwok, JP, Chairman, Hong Kong Arts Development Council*

**“I participated in the DiD in the worst period of the financial turmoil when no one trusted each other. The workshop provided a backdrop of complete darkness while every participant had to rely on one another to complete their tasks, a total opposite of the counter-party concerns of the day. At the low of your self-esteem and confidence, the workshop provides a fresh reminder to everyone of us that together we shall succeed.”**

*~ Tse Kam Keung, Executive Vice President of State Street*

**“Have you ever thought of how powerful your ears and touch have been? The Dialogue in the Dark is an amazing programme that gives all participants the peculiar experience of testing how one can communicate without sight. In the workshop, the sighted participants and the visually impaired workshop leaders and assistants are just “equal”. I was impressed to find myself getting the real feeling of becoming blind and be a part of the visually impaired community inside the Workshop.**

**Dialogue in the Dark Workshop gives visually impaired persons the chance to lead the sighted and their work experience will definitely conducive to a long-term career development in responsible positions. The programme produces “win-win” results in terms of mutual learning between the sighted and the visually impaired.”**

*~ Maureen Tam, Chief Executive, The Hong Kong Society for the Blind*

**“I am a great believer in Dialogue in the Dark. I am impressed by its innovativeness, its passion for inclusiveness and its commitment to change ordinary people's perception of the strengths and potential of the so-called ‘handicapped’ people’.”**

*~ Dr. Tse Ka Kui, Chairperson, Hong Kong Social Entrepreneurship Forum*

**“Release yourself and learn to trust strangers in complete darkness.”**

**“完全黑暗，陌生世界；釋放自己，學習信任。”**

*~ Tanya Chan, Legislative Councilor*

**“In total darkness, you will find the world is fairer. Everyone is the same. If you don't voice out your ideas, you are not in existence. DID gives you a whole new way of understanding the world around you. It will be an experience you will never forget!”**

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*~ Fernando Cheung, Lecturer of Department of Applied Social Sciences, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University*

**“The learning effect is achieved by really listening to each other and by thinking together in a challenging environment. Both of these things found direct application at work.”**

*~ Herald Sun, Australia, 2007*

**“The half-day training session for our European Junior Managers met even our highest expectations. Afterwards, the impressions and the exercises in the dark were discussed, giving our colleagues a chance to analyse their leadership skills from a completely new perspective. The feedback of all 16 participants was very positive, and for the future we have decided to offer this training to our own colleagues.”**

*~ Heino Ploeger, Manager Personnel Development—Olympus Europa GmbH*

**“Congratulations for the concept and its implementation which gave us the opportunity to feel world of the blinds and to respect the human capacity to overcome different kind of disabilities.**

**I believe that as everyone should visit the Holy western wall in Jerusalem one should visit Dialogue in the Dark.”**

*~ Benjamin Nethanyahu, Former Israeli Prime Minister*

**“You opened our eyes and our heart.”**

*~ Zipi Livni, Israeli Foreign Minister*