



The tour of the world by hitchhiking

LUDOVIC HUBLER

Lecture tour 2005



L. Hubler on TV Globo, Brazil

“Attending the best
school of life”

El diario del fin del mundo,
Argentina

“A great example of
resourcefulness ”

Jô Soares, TV Globo, Brazil

“An adventurous and
sensitive spirit ”

Don Francisco, Univisión,
Latin America

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Since January 1st 2003, Ludovic Hubler, a 27 year old French graduate with a Master of Science in Management, has been **touring the world by hitchhiking with the challenge of completing the tour without spending a single penny on transportation.**

After 2 years with his thumb up along 40,000 miles of European, African and South American roads, **he has now arrived in North America and is lecturing across the United States and Canada in the hopes of sharing his adventures, his insights on culture and the various projects in which he is involved.**

The highlights of his trip, which have been presented on 27 TV stations in Latin America and North America, include hitchhiking across 1,000 miles of the Sahara desert, 2,500 miles of the Atlantic Ocean on a sail-boat, a ride to Antarctica on an ice-breaker and the crossing of guerilla-infested Colombia.

In addition, his tour supports three humanitarian missions in Brazil, Vietnam & Central America, respectively, as well as a "mentoring" project for French children with cancer.

During his lectures, Ludovic explains how he came to realize this childhood dream, tells amazing stories about the different countries he has visited (and the cultural differences he has encountered, some of which are very funny), and shares some experiences he has had while carrying out humanitarian missions in poor communities of South and Central America.

Ludovic is the son of a Rotarian from Strasbourg, France.





The tour of the world by hitchhiking LUDOVIC HUBLER Route followed



Crossing the Sahara desert



Camel hitchhiking in the Sahara desert



Donkey hitchhiking in Mauritania



Sail boat hitchhiking – Crossing of the Atlantic Ocean



Reaching Antarctica hitchhiking an ice-breaker



Crossing Guerilla-stricken Colombia





The tour of the world by hitchhiking LUDOVIC HUBLER Sharing

Such an experience needs to be shared.
Ludovic is sharing it through:

1) A mentoring project. "Big brother" of 30 children stricken with cancer from a hospital in Strasbourg, France, Ludovic shares his experience with them on a daily basis through Internet (E-mails, web cam...). ↓



2) Presentations in schools and other organizations: At each step of his journey, Ludovic meets with one or several schools or organizations and shares his world experience.

3) TV, Press and Radio: Ludovic's journey has sparked attention from the media all around the world, so he has been able to share his experience with millions of viewers, readers and listeners. →



4) His Web site: Weekly updated, his web site (www.ludovichubler.com) enables thousands to follow his journey hitchhiking around the globe. ←





The tour of the world by hitchhiking LUDOVIC HUBLER Reactions



Reactions from Rotary club:

"One of the best programs we have ever had"

Jim Austin, Governor Rotary club
District 7150

*"It is a lesson of people coming together
for the betterment of the world"*
Tom Wade, Rotary club Winchester, MA

*"Fascinating, amazing and inspiring
story"*

T. Mundson, President Rotary club
Woodbury, NJ

Reactions from schools:

*"Ludovic was able to adapt his
presentation to the different
groups of students he talked to"*

A. Rochette, Teacher, Vieux-
verger High School, Gatineau,
QC

*"Wonderful for the open-
mindedness of the students. I
strongly recommend this
presentation to any school around
the world"*

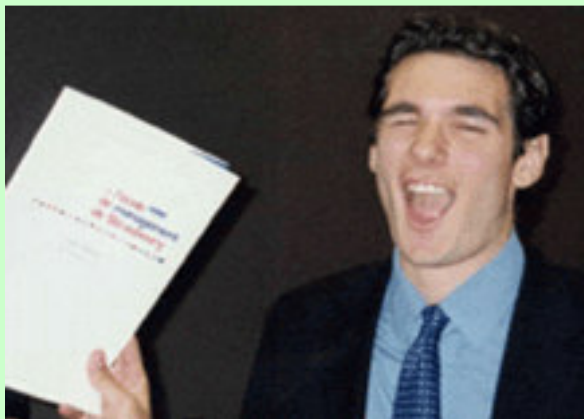
T. Turck, Junior High school
Principal, Homer, NY





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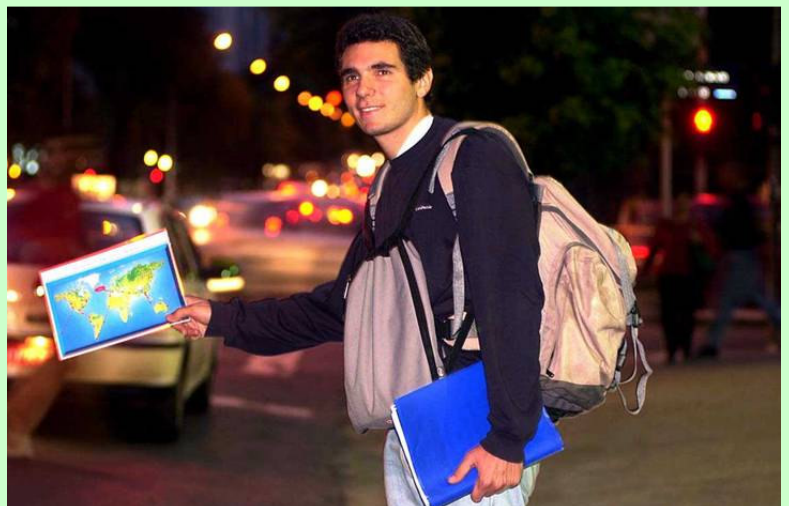
My name is Ludovic Hubler. I was born on September 11th 1977 in the city of Bar-le-Duc (Lorraine, France) but grew up in Strasbourg, the 9th biggest city in France, close to the German border.



I graduated with a Master of Science in Management from the IECS, the Graduate school of Strasbourg, France, in June 2002. I also spent a year as an exchange student at Texas A&M University (College Station, TX, USA) in 2000/2001.

My passions are traveling and sports, especially soccer.

Since January 1st 2003, I have been touring the world by hitchhiking. My challenge is to tour the globe without spending a single penny on transportation.





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Frequently asked questions

- **What are your technical needs?** In order to make the lecture more enjoyable, a video projector and a screen would be very useful to show my PowerPoint presentation (I use a HP laptop with Windows XP).
- **Is there a fee to have you speak?** There is no fee involved to have me as a speaker. However, donations are accepted.
- **When are you able to give lectures?** My availability depends on my schedule. We can coordinate this by email.
- **Will you need a place to stay?** In most cities throughout the United States, accomodation will not be a problem. However, I always appreciate the offer if there is a place available.
- **Do you need directions?** Please provide me with the address of your meeting place and what time you would like me to arrive. Some additional information on how to get there would be appreciated.
- **How will you arrive to our meeting place?** By hitchhiking of course. However, I always take precautions not to arrive late. I think I have some experience by now.
- **We have a dressing code, how will you be dressed?** As you can imagine, I travel light and don't have a suit to wear. However, I will be clean, shaved and perfectly presentable. I am aware that the image of a hitchhiker is not always very clean but you can be sure I will be.
- **Would you be willing to talk to schools or universities in our city?** It is always a pleasure to share my experiences with others. I would therefore be happy to talk to schools or universities in your city the same day I talk in your Rotary club.
- **What is the synopsis of your presentation?** The presentation consists of 2 parts. The first one dealing with my adventure around the world, the second one, called "For a better world" emphasizes some points of my vision of the world.
- **How long would you need to give your talk?** Between 45 and 60 minutes would be optimal. However, I would adapt to your time constraints and accept to speak 30 minutes in a regular meeting.

I look forward to meeting you and sharing my adventure with your members.

Ludovic Hubler