

MICHELLE HUNTINGTON

Former Airline Captain | Keynote Speaker on
Decision Performance Under Pressure



CALM UNDER CHAOS

High-Performance Decisions When Pressure
is High and Information is Incomplete

Former commercial airline captain Michelle Huntington spent over two decades making high-stakes decisions where hesitation had real consequences.

Today, she helps leaders make clear, confident decisions when pressure is high and information is incomplete.

Her keynote Calm Under Chaos gives leaders a clear way to think and act when pressure is high and information is incomplete.

Signature Keynote

Calm Under Chaos High-Performance Decisions Under Pressure

When pressure rises, many organisations slow down. Decisions stall. Meetings go in circles. Ownership becomes unclear.

Drawing on real moments from aviation, Michelle shows how disciplined thinking and structured decision-making enable leaders to act with clarity when it matters most.

Audiences leave with practical tools to:

- make clear decisions when information is incomplete
- reduce hesitation and circular meetings
- clarify ownership of critical decisions
- communicate decisions with confidence under pressure

Key Outcomes

- **Decision Clarity**

Make decisions when information is incomplete.

- **Eliminate Decision Delay**

Break the cycle of meetings, debate and hesitation.

- **Communicate Under Pressure**

Align teams quickly when the stakes are high.

- **Controlled Response**

Move from chaos to calm when pressure rises.

What Event Organisers Say

“Michelle's session proved to be a pivotal and transformative experience for our team. We wholeheartedly recommend her to any organisation seeking a dynamic speaker capable of inspiring positive change and imparting invaluable resilience strategies.”

Jane Andrewartha

Head of Marketing, Edge Early Learning

Former Airline Captain | TEDx Speaker | Author of Lady MacGyver

**Book a keynote that equips your leaders to think
clearly and act decisively under pressure**

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Why Organisations Book Michelle

Michelle spent over two decades in aviation making decisions where uncertainty, time pressure, and consequence were constant.

In these environments, hesitation compounds risk.

Pilots must constantly manage:

- incomplete information
- time-critical decisions
- complex communication
- rapidly changing conditions

These same pressures now define modern leadership environments.

Today, Michelle helps organisations apply proven decision principles from aviation to navigate complexity, act with clarity, and improve decision performance under pressure.

Ideal Audiences

Michelle works with organisations operating in complex, high-pressure environments, including:

- corporate leadership conferences
- executive leadership teams
- healthcare and operational leaders
- professional services and consulting firms
- organisations navigating rapid change

What Event Organisers Say

“You could have heard a pin drop as Michelle held the audience with her storytelling. She was the standout of the event.”

Monica Rosenfeld
Global Stories That Stir

The greatest risk isn't being wrong. It's not deciding.

About Michelle

Michelle Huntington was one of fewer than 500 female airline captains globally and is an international keynote speaker.

After more than two decades in aviation — including navigating storms, equipment failures and complex operational challenges — Michelle now helps leaders apply the same principles used in the cockpit to make clear decisions when pressure rises.

She is the author of *Lady MacGyver* and her TEDx talk has reached audiences around the world.

Speaking Formats

Keynote presentations
Leadership conferences
Executive offsites
Strategic leadership events

Keynotes typically run 45–60 minutes and can be tailored to the audience and industry.

Sessions can be tailored from keynote to extended leadership sessions.



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