

Karen Judd Smith Intro/ Bio

Anyone who has spent a significant amount of time at sea in the midst of storms, roiling waters, or mirror-calm shoals, knows the value of experience, awareness, and the power of focus. Dr. Karen Judd Smith is a speaker, a 2-time #1 best selling author, and a successful advisor to the United Nations and international NGOs. She has taken the principles that she learned during her many hours at sea as a US Coast Guard licensed captain and long time social activist, and translated them into effective practices for navigating the fluid and nuanced environments of the United Nations and other international arenas.

Karen has helped thousands of conference, event attendees, and clients focus on what really matters. You cannot be sidetracked by pressing surface-wave issues when strategic actions addressing deeper issues are needed for the safety and survival of the boat and crew. To make the impact you intend as a social innovator, change leader, or peacebuilder, understanding the keys to effecting critical change in today's world is what makes the needed difference.

Karen gives clients the strategic insights they need to grow, and gifts them with the personal tools that places the power of implementation in their and their organization's hands.

Karen is a sought after advisor, speaker, capacity builder, and connector who brings these dynamic gifts to the stage in engaging ways that make her clients look great. Karen also serves as the "secret weapon" that over 35 international NGOs and social enterprises have brought in to help them increase their impact and influence while decreasing their investment of time and waste of resources and people-power all done with a refreshing honesty, effectiveness and a touch of Aussie humor.

Karen's books, articles, and expertise have been featured on CBS, FOX, ABC, NBC, as well as technical publications such as the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) and the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers' (IEEE's) *Intelligence Informatics Bulletin*.

To book Karen to speak or for capacity building or advising, head over to:
www.KarenJuddSmith.com

Karen Judd Smith AV/Requirements

- ✓ Lavalier microphone
- ✓ Hand-held microphone.
- ✓ Keynote or Powerpoint will be used. Karen will need a projector and screen to fit the audience.
- ✓ Preferred large group room set up is a large raised platform (3' - 6') with one small table and no podium. Distance from the first row of seats to the riser should be no farther than 6'.
- ✓ Karen needs a means to get off the stage forward into the audience.
- ✓ Room set-up can be adjusted to accommodate smaller group sizes.
- ✓ Karen will want to be able to look at the room set-up with you the night before the event if possible.
- ✓ All A/V issues will be discussed NLT two (2) weeks before the event.