



Biography of the Training Consultant

Stephen Lodziak

Qualifications

- Trinity College, London Diploma in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (DipTESOL)
- IELTS Examiner certification
- BULAT (Business Language Test) Examiner certification
- University of Cambridge Certification in English Language Teaching for Adults (CELTA)
- MA European Studies Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland
- BA (Hons) English and Theatre (University of Wales, Aberystwyth)
- International Customer Service Coach (British Council)

Profile

Stephen has extensive experience of professional skills development in Sri Lanka. Most recently he has project managed the Supreme Chef reality TV show contest which looked to discover talented unemployed Sri Lankans, train up their basic kitchen skills and then let them battle it out in front of a national TV audience with the winners receiving training in top overseas kitchens with world renowned chefs. He has also managed and developed the Basic Hospitality Skills Training Course which looked to innovatively combine video, worksheet and assessment in a flexible on the job package. The course was made to an international standard, certified by the International Chamber of Commerce in Sri Lanka and will soon be absorbed by TVEC into the national vocational curriculum.

Stephen is passionate about lifting skills in Sri Lanka to help the country reach its international potential. In his time in the country has trained from CEO to craft level. His work with private clients in Sri Lanka includes Dialog, Cambio, IFS, Millennium IT, Pearson, Deutsche Bank, DIMO, Barista Lavazza, HSBC. In the public sector he has worked with Sri Lanka Judges Institute, The Ministry of Education, Immigration and Customs, The Commission to Investigate Bribery & Corruption and The National Youth Corps. In the International Development sector, he has worked with The International Red Cross, The United Nations, The British High Commission, The Australian High Commission, The Japanese International Cooperation Agency and the Japanese Embassy.

Stephen's work as a skills trainer, coach and mentor has seen him work in Poland, London, Japan as well as Sri Lanka. On graduating from university, he worked with London's top investment banks recruiting IT specialists. He decided to specialize in corporate coaching soon after and since then has worked as a consultant trainer and in-house coach to a number of top international companies including American Express and Toshiba.

His downtime he enjoys spending time with his young family in Colombo, playing football and professional photography.

Previous Clients Include: Bloomberg, Mitsubishi, Hitachi, Toshiba, Nestle, Du Pont, Coca Cola, Microsoft and Mitsui, ABN Amro, Temple University