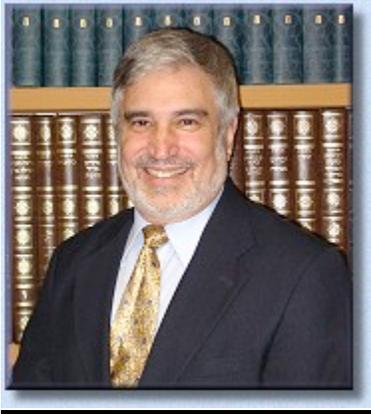


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### **Dr. Peter Tarlow, PH.D, Founder and President of Tourism & More**

Dr. Peter E. Tarlow is a world-renowned speaker and expert specializing in the impact of crime and terrorism on the tourism industry, event and tourism risk management, and tourism and economic development. Since 1990, Tarlow has been teaching courses on tourism, crime & terrorism to police forces and security and tourism professionals throughout the world.

Tarlow earned his Ph.D. in sociology from Texas A&M University. He also holds degrees in history, in Spanish and Hebrew literatures, and in psychotherapy. In 1996, Tarlow became Hoover Dam's consultant for tourism development and security. In 1998, The Bureau of Reclamation asked Tarlow to develop a tourism security program for all its properties and visitor centers. Tarlow continued his involvement with the Bureau of Reclamation until December of 2012.

Tarlow has worked with numerous other US government agencies including the US Customs, the FBI agents for the Salt Lake City 2002 Winter Olympic Games, the US Park Service, the Department of Justice, the Speakers bureau of the US Department of State, the Center for Disease Control (Atlanta, Triangle Series), US Supreme Court

police, and the US Department of Homeland Security. He has worked with such US iconic locations as the Statue of Liberty, Philadelphia's Independence Hall and Liberty Bell, the Empire State Building, St. Louis' arch, and the Smithsonian's Institution's Office of Protection Services in Washington, DC

Tarlow has also worked outside of the United States, both as a featured speaker for numerous US embassies. Among his work with the US State Department are lectures throughout Latin American, and Europe. He has also worked with Vancouver's Justice Institute for preparation for the 2010 Olympic games, and with police departments of the state of Rio de Janeiro for the 2014 World Cup Games. In his international role he has worked with The Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and the United Nation's WTO (World Tourism Organization), the Panama Canal Authority, and with police forces in Aruba, Bolivia, Brazil, Curaçao, Colombia, Croatia, Dominican Republic, Mexico, Serbia, and Trinidad & Tobago.

In 2013 the Chancellor of the Texas A&M system named him his Special Envoy. In 2015 the Faculty of Medicine of Texas A&M University asked Tarlow to "translate" his tourism skills into practical courses for new physicians. As such he teaches courses in customer service, creative thinking and medical ethics at the Texas A&M medical school

In 2016 he was appointed Senior Security and Safety Specialist for the international engineering firm Gannet-Fleming. Also in 2016, Governor Gregg Abbot of Texas named Tarlow as the Chairman of the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission.

Since 1992, Tarlow has been the chief organizer of multiple tourism conferences around the world, including the International Tourism Safety Conference in Las Vegas. Since 2006 he has also been part of the organizational teams for the Biannual Aruba Tourism Conference and has helped organize conferences in St. Kitts, Charleston (South Carolina), Bogota, Colombia, Panama City, and Curaçao. In starting in 2013, Tarlow became a co-organizer of the first and second Mediterranean Tourism Conference held in Croatia.

Tarlow's fluency in many languages enables him to speak throughout the world (United States, the Caribbean, Latin America, Europe, and Africa, and the Eastern Pacific, and Asia). Tarlow lectures on a wide range of current and future trends in the tourism industry, rural tourism economic development, the gaming industry, issues of crime and terrorism, the role of police departments in urban economic development, and international trade. Some of the other topics about which he speaks are: the sociology of terrorism, its impact on tourism security and risk management, the US government's role in post terrorism recovery, and how communities and businesses must face a major paradigm shift in the way they do business. Tarlow also organizes conferences around the world dealing with visitor safety and security issues and with the economic importance of tourism and tourism marketing. He also works with numerous cities, states, and foreign governments to improve their tourism products and to train their tourism security professionals.

Tarlow does in-depth research on the relationship between tourism, crime, and terrorism. He also works with police forces to understand their constituents and provide the best customer service possible. Tarlow publishes extensively in these areas and writes numerous professional reports for US governmental agencies and for businesses throughout the world. He has been asked to be an expert witness in courts throughout the United States on matters concerning tourism security and safety, and issues of risk management.

Tarlow is a well-known author in the field of tourism security. Tarlow is a contributing author to multiple books on tourism security, and publishes numerous academic and applied research articles regarding issues of security including articles published in *The Futurist*, the *Journal of Travel Research and Security Management*. In 1999 Tarlow co-edited "War, Terrorism, and Tourism." a special edition of the *Journal of Travel Research*. In 2002, Tarlow published *Event Risk Management and Safety* (John Wiley & Sons). Tarlow also writes and speaks for major organizations such as the Organization of US State Dams, and The International Association of Event Managers. In 2011, Tarlow published: *Twenty Years of Tourism Tidbits: The Book*. In 2014 he co-published book on Cruise Safety (written in Portuguese) entitled *Abordagem Multidisciplinar dos Cruzeiros Turísticos*. In June of 2014, Tarlow's published his book: *Tourism Security:*

*Strategies for Effective Managing Travel Risk and Safety*. In 2016 he was a co-editor of the book: *Segurança: Um desafio para os setores de lazer, viagens e turismo*, published (in Portuguese) by the Instituto Politécnico de Tomar (Portugal). In February of 2017 Elsevier published his newest book sports tourism, called: *Sports Travel Security*.

Tarlow's wide range of professional and scholarly articles includes articles on subjects such as: "dark tourism", theories of terrorism, and economic development through tourism. Tarlow also writes and publishes the popular on-line tourism newsletter *Tourism Tidbits* read by thousands of tourism and travel professionals around the world in its English, Spanish, and Portuguese language editions.

At numerous universities around the world Tarlow lectures on security issues, life safety issues, and event risk management. These universities include institutions in the United States, Latin America, Europe, the Pacific Islands, and the Middle East.

Tarlow has appeared on national televised programs such as Dateline: NBC and on CNBC and is a regular guest on radio stations around the US. He is also the recipient of the International Chiefs of Police highest civilian honor in recognition for his work in tourism security.

Tarlow is a founder and president of Tourism & More Inc. (T&M). He is a past president of the Texas Chapter of the Travel and Tourism Research Association (TTRA). Tarlow is a member of the International Editorial Boards of "Turizam" published in Zagreb, Croatia, "Anatolia: International Journal of Tourism and Hospitality Research," published in Turkey, and "Estudios y Perspectivas en Turismo," published in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and the American Journal of Tourism Research.

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