

Insight on Coaching – Guest Bio

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Introduction

Dr. John Harrald is the Co-Director of The George Washington University Institute for Crisis, Disaster, and Risk Management and a Professor of Engineering Management and Systems Engineering in the GWU School of Engineering and Applied Science. He is a member of the National Research Council Disasters Roundtable Steering Committee and the National Research Council Committee on Aviation Emergency Management. Dr. Harrald has been actively engaged in the fields of emergency and crisis management and maritime safety and port security and as a researcher in his academic career and as a practitioner during his 22 year career as a U.S. Coast Guard officer, retiring in the grade of Captain.

Experience

- Written and published in the fields of crisis management, emergency management, management science, risk and vulnerability analysis, and maritime safety.
- Studied the response to the Exxon Valdez oil spill, the Loma Prieta Earthquake, Hurricane Hugo, Hurricane Andrew, the Northridge Earthquake, the 1999 Turkey earthquakes, the September 11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, and Hurricane Katrina.
- Directed maritime risk studies in Alaska, Washington, and Louisiana.

Education

- B.S. in Engineering from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy
- M.A.L.S. from Wesleyan University
- M.S. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Alfred P. Sloan Fellow)
- MBA and Ph.D. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Professional Affiliations, Publications and Recognition

He is the Executive Editor of the electronic *Journal of Homeland Security and Emergency Management* and. He is the Immediate Past President of The International Emergency Management Society (TIEMS)