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## 09 March – Speaker Program

ROTARY CLUB OF SHANGHAI INVITES YOU TO

**Rotary Club of Shanghai**

REGULAR DINNER MEETING  
MARCH 09, 2021

**SPEAKER: GABOR HOLCH**

**Intercultural Leadership Coach, Speaker, Author & Consultant**  
**HOW THE CURRENT SITUATION WILL CHANGE CORPORATE LEADERSHIP**

DINNER FEE: 190 RMB  
VENUE: 40F OF KUNLUN HOTEL JING'AN  
NO 250 HUASHAN LU / 华山路 250 号静安昆仑 40 楼  
RSVP to Vivian @ vivian.huang@messer.com.cn

## 20 March – Family Day

Rotary Club of Shanghai | Rotary Club of Shanghai | **ESRAG** ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY RESOURCES GROUP

#IFIXTHEPLANET

**QINGPU COUNTRYSIDE TRIP**

Guided Expedition | Bird Watching  
Litter Cleaning | Picnic Lunch

March 20th, 2021 | 10am - 3pm  
@Shanghai Marriot Hotel Hongqiao  
Ticket: 250 RMB

Come join us for the beautiful walk, bring your own lunch, wear your Rotary blue T-shirt, wear a mask and enjoy nature!

Proceeds will go to roots and shoots to plant 50 trees.  
Video created on this trip will be submitted to the Rotary #fixtheplanet video challenge.

Scan QR code below now to sign up!

## Birthdays of the month: March

01 — Alain Chevassus More      09 — Tiziana Richiardi

## Other Events

09.03 — Speaker Program @Kunlun      6:30 - 8:30 pm  
16.03 — Fellowship @Hokkaido      6:30 - 8:30 pm  
20.03 — Family Day @Qingpu Clean Up      10:00 am- 2:00 pm  
23.03 — Speaker Program @Kunlun      6:30 - 8:30 pm  
10.04 — Sunrise Annual Event @Jinjiang Hotel      TBD

## The Four-Way Test 四大考驗

Of the things we think, say, or do:  
我们说的做的要符合:

1. Is it the **truth**?  
是真的吗?
2. Is it **fair** to all concerned  
是公平的吗?
3. Will it build **goodwill** and **better friendships**?  
是善意并促进友谊吗?
4. Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?  
是对大家有利吗?

## Officers & Directors

**Tracy Hua** – President  
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**David Smith** – Secretary  
**Christoph Wenner** – Treasurer  
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**RCS Alumni Committee:** Andrew Hill  
**Circle of Centennial Rotary Club:** Terri Lau

Highlights from the Latest Speaker Program

March 02, 2021

Dinner Attendance:

Members	10
Visiting Rotarians	04
Guests	10
<b>Total Headcount</b>	<b>24</b>

Visiting Rotarians:

- Sophia S. - RC Elysee, China
- Ulrike Vogt - RC Stuttgart, Germany
- Manuela Meske-Schubert - RC Markdorf, Germany
- Tobias - RC Fresh Start



After Chinese New Year we resumed again our business networking sessions, organized by Alejandro. This time we focused on women in business. A topic which obviously attracts attention, judging from the number of attendees and the lively discussions. From a long list of 8 topics, four topics were selected by electronic voting, namely "What are the biases about women taking on non-traditional female roles", "How can men better champion women in the workplace", "is there a balance between male and female in the workplace in China?" and "How can women better support other women?". At four tables these topics were discussed, with the participants circulating from table to table.

It would have been a surprise if we would have come to a definite conclusion for these topics. Yet the input was lively and passionate. Should one favor job applicants 'just because she is a woman'? Should one, when judging job applicants, consider that a woman had to overcome higher hurdles than a man? Do we see the small

items like dress codes in hotel management which already make the work life of a woman more difficult? What makes women less interested in B2B style positions?

Thus the meeting fulfilled its purpose, to get everyone to think, to see and understand new points of view and to feel challenged in a good way.

As always the canapé was nice and much appreciated and definitely helped to make the event well sustained.

Alejandro also highlighted the coming Gala dinner and sponsoring / charity opportunities – please stay alert. We plan to support children with the butterfly disease, which cannot be cured but can be alleviated. David invited all to 'Sweat for Polio' – he talked about glow-in-the-dark body paint, fog machines, DJs, music – looking forward to it.



### Speaker Program

How the Current Situation will Change Corporate Leadership



Gabor Holch

Intercultural leadership coach, consultant, author and speaker specialised in East-West executive assignments and business relations. An expat since age 4, a former diplomat and China-based since 2002, he has advised, coached and trained leaders for 100+ clients in 25+ countries. He currently splits his time between his Shanghai base and international jobs, mainly in the Asia-Pacific and Europe. Gabor is a Certified Management Consultant (CMC) in English and Mandarin, certified consultant at the management academies of half a dozen global corporations and licensed in major assessment tools including the Predictive Index, NeuroColor, DISC and MBTI.

### Sweat to End Polio

This Saturday saw 22 Rotarians giving their all for Polio. Thanks to Rtn. David and the wonderful guy and girls from ExeQute, we had a sweaty and intensive one hour of exercise. Rotarians donned 'glow in the dark' body paint and entered the dark exercise 'dungeon' where artificial smoke wafted and a DJ provided the vibes. The previously so friendly trainers suddenly became activity maniacs, forcing each of us to give their best. We discovered untrained muscles we did not even know existed and limits we had never challenged. It was an hour of enjoyable and exhausting fun for all which ended with a delicious strawberry smoothy for all and everyone. And we all are looking forward to many repeats, of the exercise and the smoothy.

