



# Josh Irby

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Director, Trainer, Author

Josh serves as a Partnership Director for a global non-profit and focuses on Central and Eastern Europe. Since 1999, he has worked closely with young people in America (Atlanta, GA) and the Balkans (Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina) to help them live a life of purpose that positively impacts their community. From 2009 to 2020, Josh and his family of seven lived in Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina, where he directed a local NGO called Fokus.

Josh has a bachelor's degree in Industrial and Systems Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Georgia, and a master's of divinity.

His interests include running, reading, writing, tennis, and travel. He has written and published two books. The first is the true story of a British noblewoman who left the comforts of London in the 1860s to start one of the first schools for girls in Ottoman-controlled Bosnia. The second, co-written with a Bosnian friend, addresses the use of religious symbols as identity markers in the Balkans.