



MARÍA BELÓN

"The Impossible"

The story behind the scenes, **one of the most incredible inspirational stories of our times**



When Spanish film director J.A. Boyona proposed María Belón to bring to the big screen her survival story in the 2004 tsunami, she thought it was “a joke”.

In December of that year, María was in Thailand with her husband and her three sons when they were swept away by a massive wall of water in the Indian Ocean. Her husband and her sons were in the pool meanwhile she was in one of the showers, when the tsunami swallowed the hotel. A devastating phenomenon that also took whole cities away, and buried them under water and mud.

“You and I are not going to die”, that was the first phrase that Maria said to calm down her oldest child, 10 years old boy who was in panic, when both found themselves alone after the wall of water of the tsunami made them go through, between bruises, the first floor of the hotel where they were staying.



To honor the victims of the biggest natural disaster of our times and to honor all the tsunamis that life presents us, ***“The Impossible”*** became a reality in 2012. For more than four years, María worked in this super film production with actors Naomi Watts and Ewan Mc Gregor, and with the rest of the film team, to gather the experience she lived with her family during those days.

Medical Doctor as a profession, María Belón has also been a coach and facilitator of the program “Lead”, Human Resources professor at ESADE, as well as analyst and consultant of big companies like HAY Group or Pepsico, but especially, María has become an example of overcoming the turmoil she experienced, and a brave, frank, direct, open mother that was able to build an unstoppable family.

Nowadays she lectures all over the world where she narrates how she and her husband Enrique and their three sons, managed to survive this terrible event. She tries to pass on her vital and essential learning that this difficult experience of the tsunami gave them. ***"I, same as you, also am a tsunami survival. I, hope same as you, have decided that it became an experience full of learning and opportunities instead of regrets and excuses".***



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