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Summary of the adventure

Georges Baumann, besides being an accomplished sportsman and lover of nature, he is fascinated by polar exploration. After studying for several years the accomplishments and failures of expeditions before him, Georges began training his physical and mental strength that he would need to realize his dream. When finished testing his own resistance as well as that of his equipment, on the Polar pack ice, he felt ready for his big crossing: to link, on foot, solo and without assistance, the North of Siberia to the North of Canada while passing over the North Pole.

As of today, no one has succeeded in this feat. Some of the greatest adventurers have attempted it without success. This journey is one of the biggest and last human challenges existing in the field of human exploration.

He gave this adventure the name of his son NOA, for **North Pole - Ocean - Antarctica**.

The NOA-North Pole Expedition is the first step of his greater dream: to cross the Arctic and Antarctic by foot while linking the two Poles on board a sailing boat.

Itinerary and planning

- > **February 1, 2006**: Georges leaves Switzerland (Geneva or Zurich) for Sredny (Siberia) via Moscow and Khatanga (Siberia). From Sredny he will take a helicopter to reach his starting point, which is Articheski Cape in Siberia.
- > **Between February 6 and 15 (latest)**: Departure from Cape Articheski to cross the North Pole and reach Ward Hunt (Canada).
- > Duration of the expedition: between 90 and 100 days.
- > Reaching the North Pole beginning of April 2006.
- > Arrival in Ward Hunt (Canada): end of May 2006.

It is two thousand kilometres as the crow flies.



Financing

The budget of the NOA Expedition amounts to SWF 500,000. This sum is divided between several sponsors; the details of the budget and the different "sponsor packages" are available upon request.

A big heart

Georges Baumann who is a generous person would like to see that the media effects of his exploit are also of benefit to a charitable organisation. A campaign relayed by the media would give the broad public the opportunity to make donations to the charitable partner organisation.

