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## Ready to Lead: Changing Dynamics in Leadership



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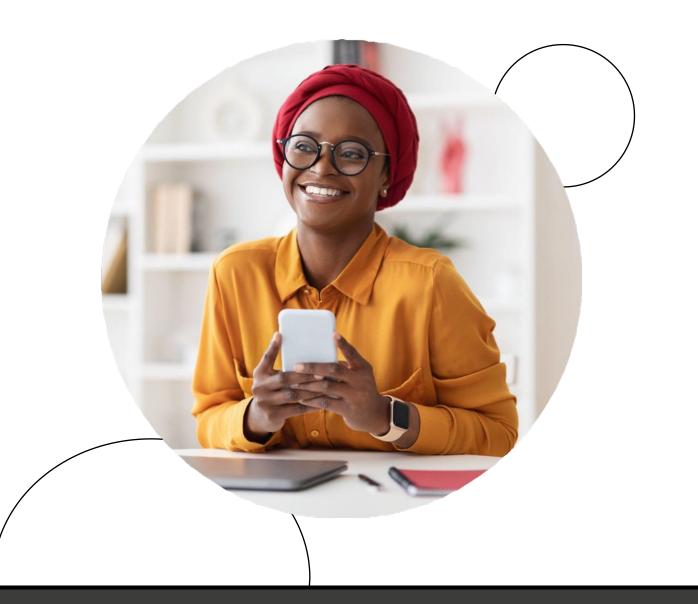


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What worked in the past won't work in the future or get you there.

I create conflict within myself and with others when I get attached to what I believe, think, feel, and do.



A VUCA world demands a new kind of leader:

V-volatile U-uncertain C-complex A-ambiguous

## **A Leadership Development Imperative**

To build a dynamic leaders, you need to enhance:

Skills / Competencies	Capacity
Develop new skills, competencies, processes, tools, or models that help leaders deliver on their role expectations more effectively.	Develop the ability to apply them, lead, and affect change in a wider range of circumstances as we expand how we view and think about, are in relationship with and engage, respond, and operate in diverse, complex, ambiguous, and uncertain situations.

#### What do we mean?

"This helps me get things done in my job." "This helps me create situationally-effective impact as a leader."





This high-profile project will be good for my career and the promotion I have been wanting. I don't understand why we are shifting directions. This is how we did it under Siobhan's leadership before; and, it worked just fine. Tariq just needs to advocate more for me, the team, and direction like Siobhan did he needs to just push on.

Typically focused on own needs, often operating based on consequences and rewards



After socializing with others, I adjusted the team's direction, particularly based on Sierra and Kartik's guidance. Both have really good, diverse experience, are great critical thinkers, and are highly respected. Roan seems quite bothered. I want to understand his perspective and help get him onboard.

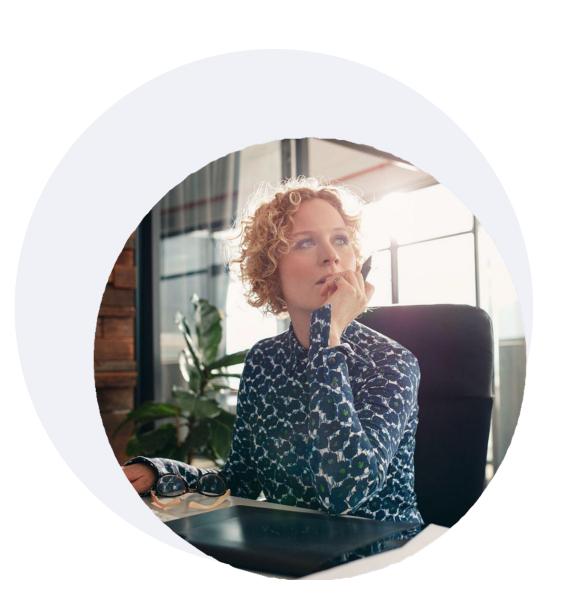
Typically internalizes others' thoughts, feelings, actions, expectations, etc. to guide their own



There are so many ways to approach this. I can see how what Tariq is doing will benefit the team, the organization, our partners, and the community – it is tough balancing with such a complex project. Roan seems so attached to what was done before. I want to help him through that – it would be good for him and the greater impact he can have. Merit/bonus/promo

Typically operates with more objective, independent mindset, taking responsibility for self/impact, and refining



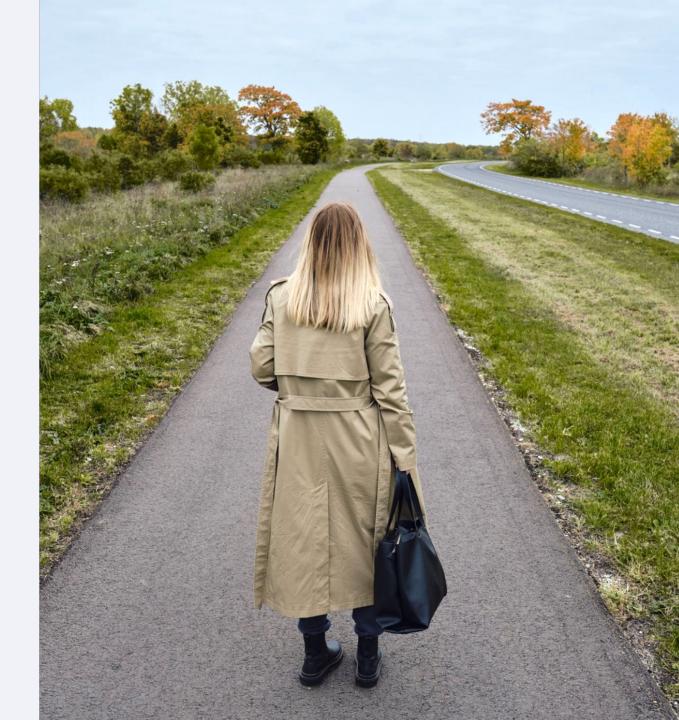


### Transitions

## Shifts from stability to instability

Take time; and, can be a struggle, often painful Not linear

# What is horizontal development?



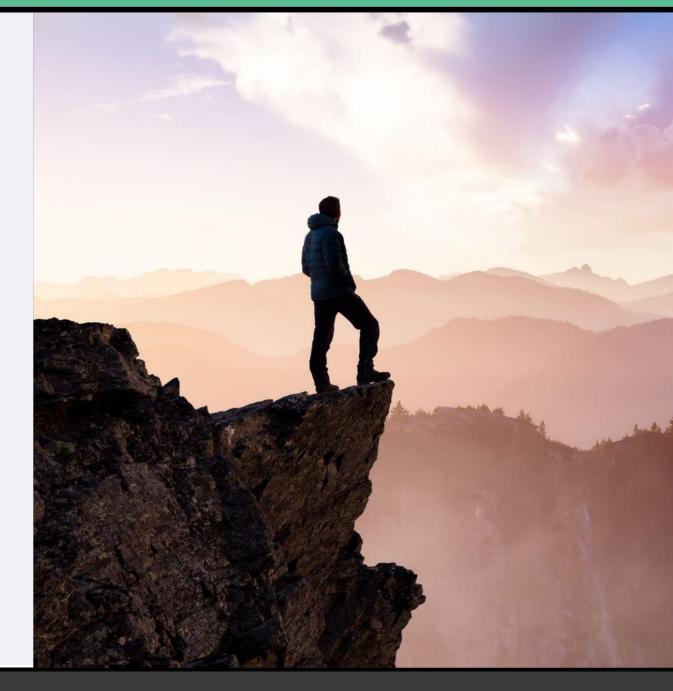
Horizontal development typically focuses on developing skills, models, and abilities from a technical perspective. This dimension of leader development has been the focus for the last 40+ years.

## Horizontal development is often most useful when:

Challenges and their correlating approaches for resolution are clearly defined

The problems leaders face occur in predictable or familiar environments or conditions

# What is vertical development?





Vertical development is a more emergent form of development. It refers to an individual's growth to increasing socio-emotional, sensory, and cognitive sophistication. It shapes how a person interprets and interacts with their environment.

#### Vertical development helps leaders to:

Respond effectively in systems of increasing complexity

Understand and create from divergent perspectives and cross-cultural relationships

Be present, agile, and resilient

## How can we apply these Development Strategies at Work?

#### **Horizontal (skills) Development** - It's about becoming more effective as a:

- Project Manager tools, processes, and systems to deliver projects
- Technical Specialist finance, technology, legal, education, trades
- Scrum Master (agile) key roles, disciplines, processes to deliver learning and results
- Coach curiosity, listening, accountability, acknowledgement

**Vertical (capacity) development** - It's about how a leader applies skills and knowledge in contextually relevant ways. It helps leaders account for and lead with more capacity in the face of changing systemic dynamics, like:

- A global pandemic
- Macroeconomic challenges such as inflation, interest rate changes
- Geopolitical and supply chain disruptions
- Pursuit of greater equity, inclusion, and diversity



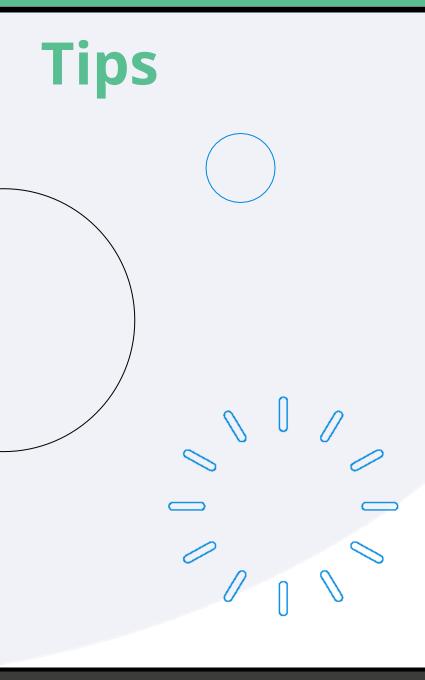
## **Transformational vs. Transactional Leadership**

#### Transformational

Ability to apply and adapt in complex situations Sophistication/maturity/sense of self **Transactional** Impact and outcome Intangible yes/no Harder to Measure completed/not have/not Outcome focused Tangible Easy to Measure

## Horizontal and vertical development work together





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#### Step out of comfort zone

- Implement a change effort
- Be open to other and even multiple "right" perspectives, ideas, solutions, etc. to addressing issues, problems, conflict
- Develop own internal standards, values, awareness of self, and desired impact.
- Continue stepping out of comfort zone
- Lead a change effort impacting more than own group/team
- Seek and explore others' perspectives to improve understanding, relationships, collaboration, and impact.

#### Continue stepping out of comfort zone

- Gain exposure to the abstract (i.e., situations, practices, concepts that are not concrete, well defined, etc.)
- Become more open to opposing points of views, ideologies
- Get comfortable not knowing,
- Embrace diversity in thought, problem-solving
- Focus on self-management, judgment and decision making



### Tips (Continued)

Difficult to accomplish or develop via a course.

On the job experiences; and, where coaching has come into leadership development.

Coaching can help one explore their leadership, relationships, mental models, and internal compass to enable their development and leadership potential. What skills need to be developed at your organization?

What capacities need to be developed for your leaders to be successful?



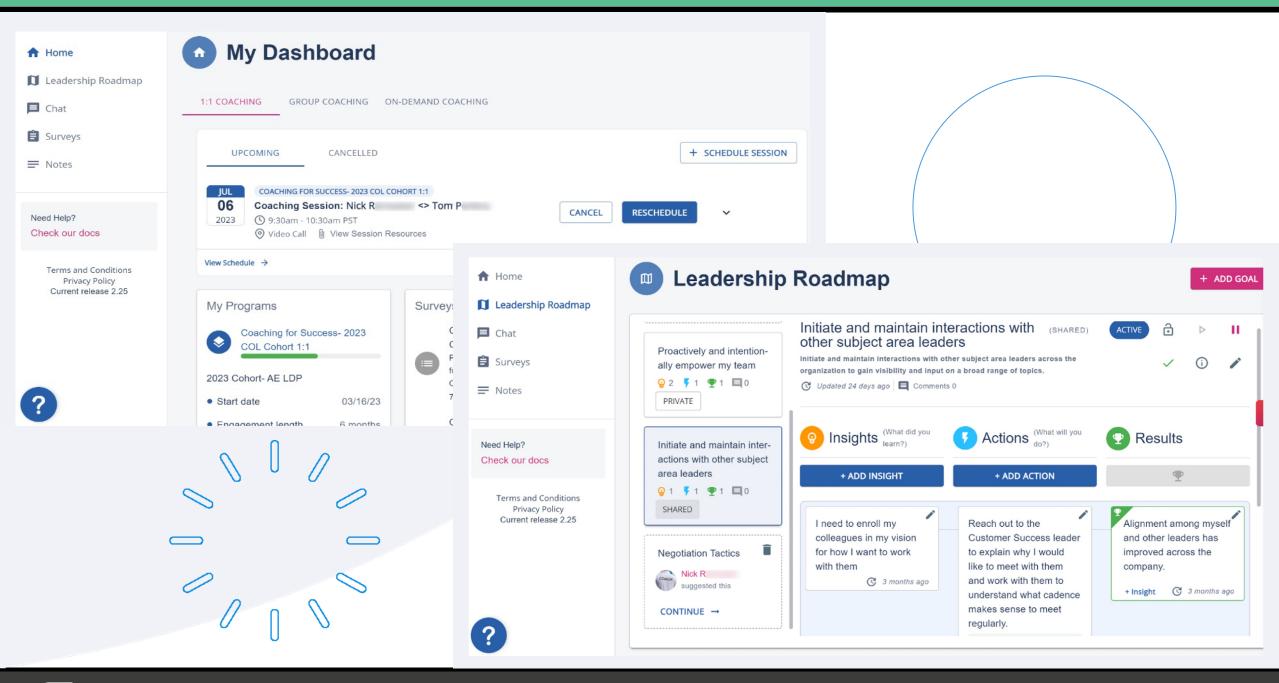
What skills need to be developed at your organization?

Are they horizontal or vertical?

Are the appropriate development solutions being used?



**Identify** and measure capability development and outcomes throughout the leadership journey



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## **Team Coaching**

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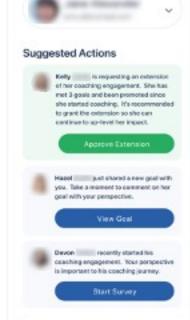
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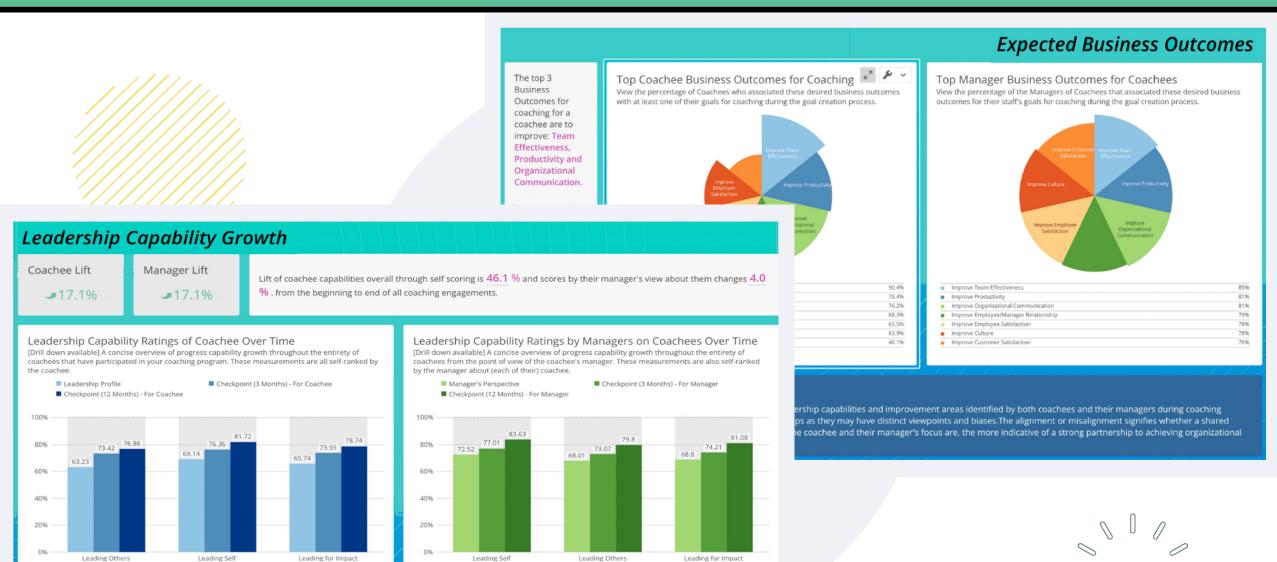
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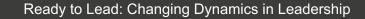
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• Our analysis reveals a compelling trend: a progressive alignment in the perception of coachee focus over time between these two vital stakeholders. This finding underscores the power of effective collaboration, showcasing the impact of clear communication and shared understanding in driving coachee development. By harnessing our extensive experience and industry insights, we emphasize the pivotal role of ongoing feedback and the coaching process in fostering a robust partnership between coachees and their managers. This insightful discovery underscores the transformative potential of targeted coaching interventions, enabling organizations to cultivate thriving leadership ecosystems.





## **Key Takeaways**

- How are you developing the capacity of your leaders, employees, teams, and yourself to be ready for future?
  - Are you vertically developing? Building awareness of our relationship with and impact on ourselves, others, and the environment in which we operate.
  - Vertical development is difficult to achieve in the classroom.
    Rather, practical experiences and leadership coaching are move effective.
    - Be more conscious of how we show up as leaders and the impact we have on ourselves, each other, the organization, industry, society, and the world.



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