

Welcome

Shaping Futures, Changing Lives

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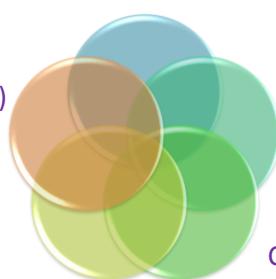
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The Leadership Foundation for Higher Education

Membership
(150+ out of 163)

International
(capacity building)

Research
and
stimulus papers



*Provides a dedicated service
of support and advice on
leadership, governance and
management for universities
and higher education
colleges*

Open
programmes

Consultancy
and coaching

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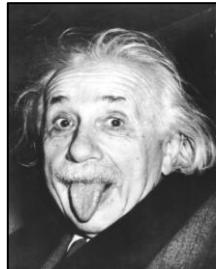
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Insanity

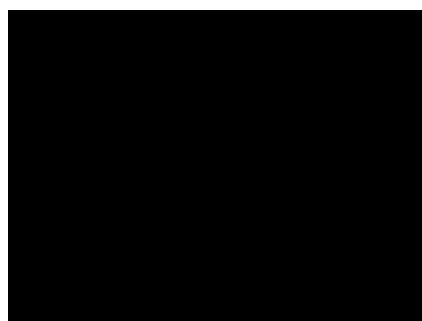
“Insanity: doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results”



(Albert Einstein – 1879 to 1955)

Often change is a debate, but...

Sometimes things just have to change!



To reshape action in the future you must reshape thinking in the present

When the wind of change blows...

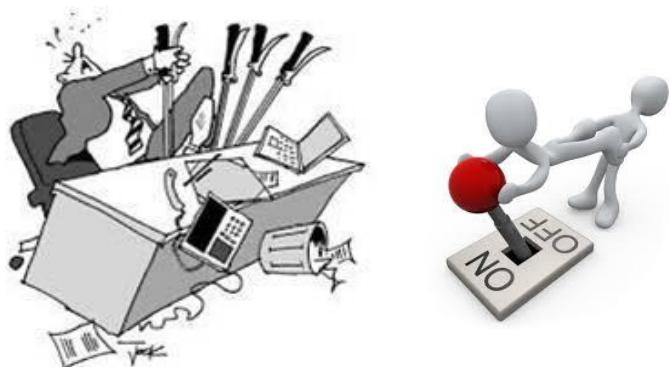
風向轉變時，有人築牆，有人造風車

*When the wind of change blows, some build walls,
others build windmills*



Changing the course of leadership!

Pulling on a lever with nothing attached...



Outline

The changing role of universities

- From upholder of orthodoxy to gateway to the future

Developing senior leadership

- Moving sustainability to the centre-ground of senior strategic leadership

Creating collective commitment

- Using collaborative engagement to create collective commitment and mutual accountability

The changing role of universities

The role of universities (1)

Upholder of orthodoxy

Gateway to the future

To preserve and pass on existing knowledge and beliefs

To create new knowledge and share it with others

The role of universities (2)

The beacon principle

The leader factory

Discovery and innovation

GRIPP – informing crucial decisions

Spanning boundaries and borders

Raising the ~~intellectual~~ sustainable tone of society

The role of universities (3)

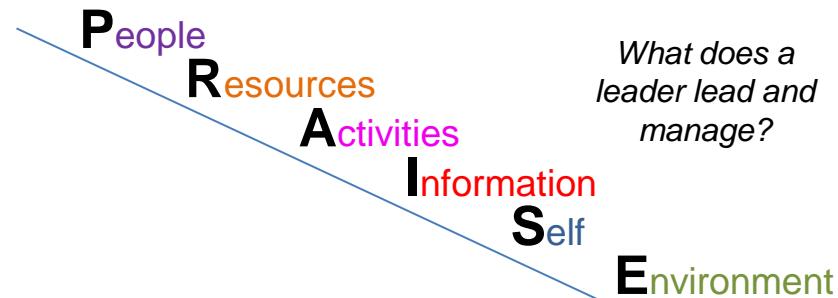
Linking critical learning agendas



Developing senior leadership:
moving sustainability to the
centre-ground of
senior strategic leadership

Senior leadership development

- Part of every conversation
- Part of every goal
- Not leadership of but leadership for sustainability
- Using the **four levers for strategic engagement**



Using the four levers for strategic engagement

1. Language

Inspiring and persuasive language

3. Business case

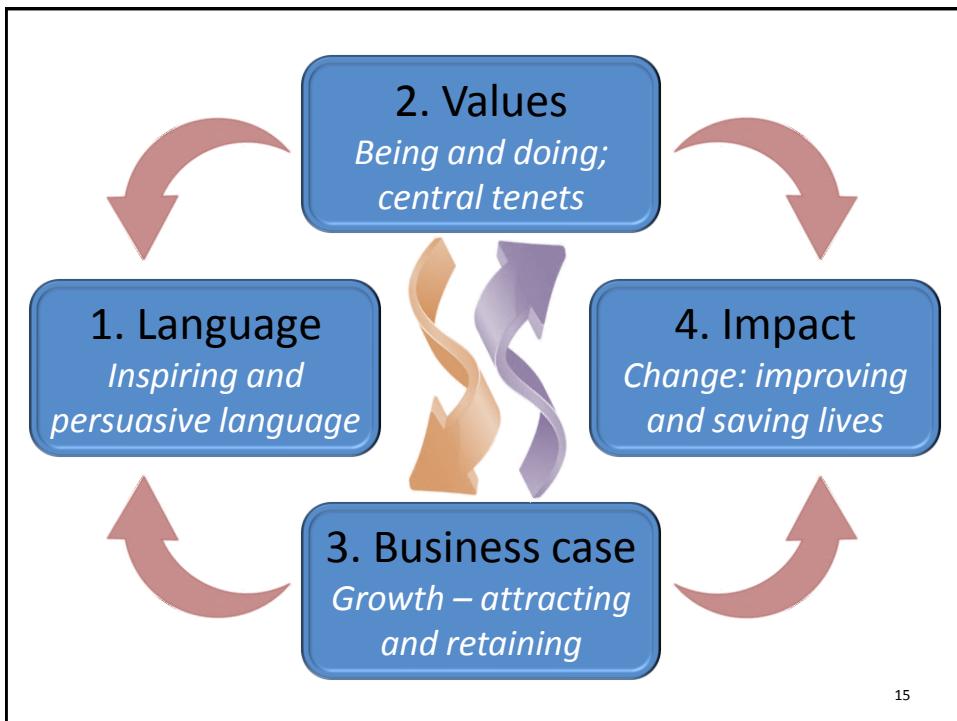
Growth – attracting and retaining

2. Values

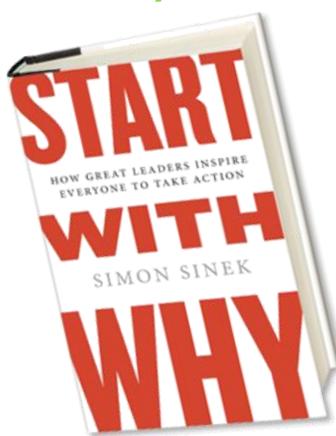
Being and doing; central tenets

4. Impact

Change: improving and saving lives



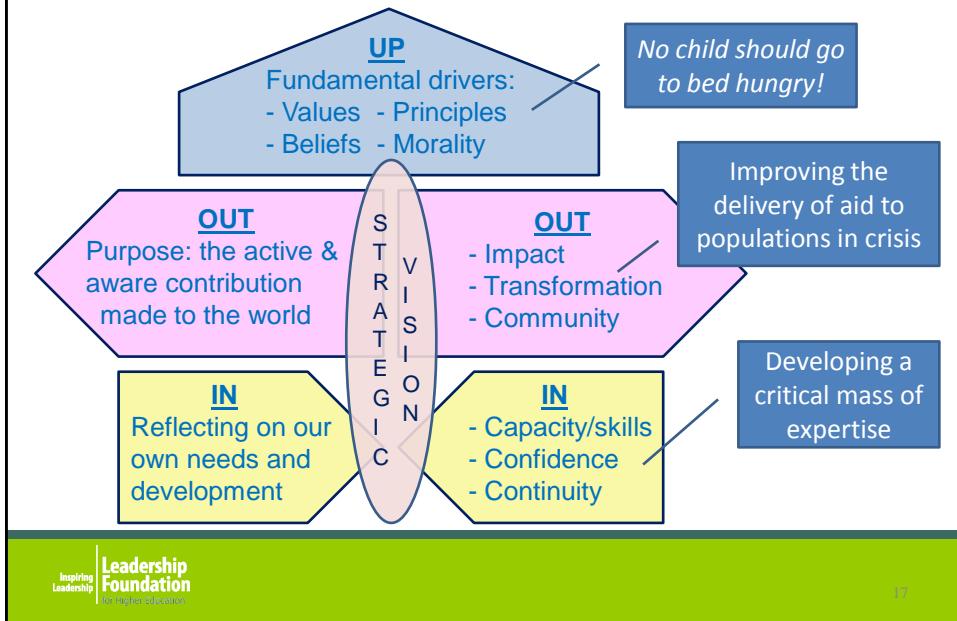
1. Language and strategy: *start with 'Why?'*



"All organizations start with WHY, but only the great ones keep their WHY clear year after year"

"Leadership requires two things: a vision of the world that does not yet exist and the ability to communicate it"

2. Values and strategy: *up - out - in*



3. The business case and strategy

POSITION

MARKET

Attract and retain students

REPUTATION

Profile, position and perceptions

COMPETITION

Distinctiveness, appeal and efficiency

FINANCES

Increasing income/investment or reducing costs/waste

PEOPLE

Attract and retain talent

RISK

Law, policy and public expectations

FUTURE

Innovation (technology), growth and new offerings

OUTPUTS

Active, aware and creative graduates

PURPOSE

4. Impact and strategy

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Within the institution	Around the institution	Through the institution	Beyond the institution
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff• Students• Volunteers• Visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community• Partners• Suppliers• Enterprise	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Disciplines• Professions• Schools• Consortiums	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Society• Policy• Economy• Global

Immediate or distant impact?

Time? Geography? Community?



Creating collective commitment

Collective commitment

Collaborative engagement



Collective commitment



Mutual accountability

Strategic alignment and connectivity



Inspiring the development of university educators in ESD

- Collective commitment – the strategy cascade
- Professional competencies – being, doing, knowing
- Confidence –
 - Feedback, recognition and reinforcement
 - Working across professional and disciplinary boundaries
 - Fluency with SD concepts, principles and practices

State of the Art

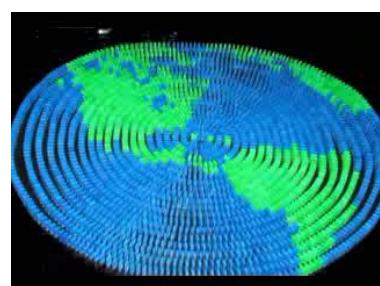
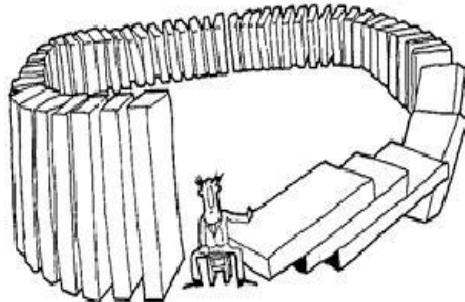


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The dominoes are falling all around us

In complex systems, cause and effect are often distant in time and space



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Thank you for listening

“This is a mission everybody issue”

So do take “no” for an answer...

...but only if the question is...

“Can we wait and do nothing?”

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