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Authentic Leadership Development for Executive Women

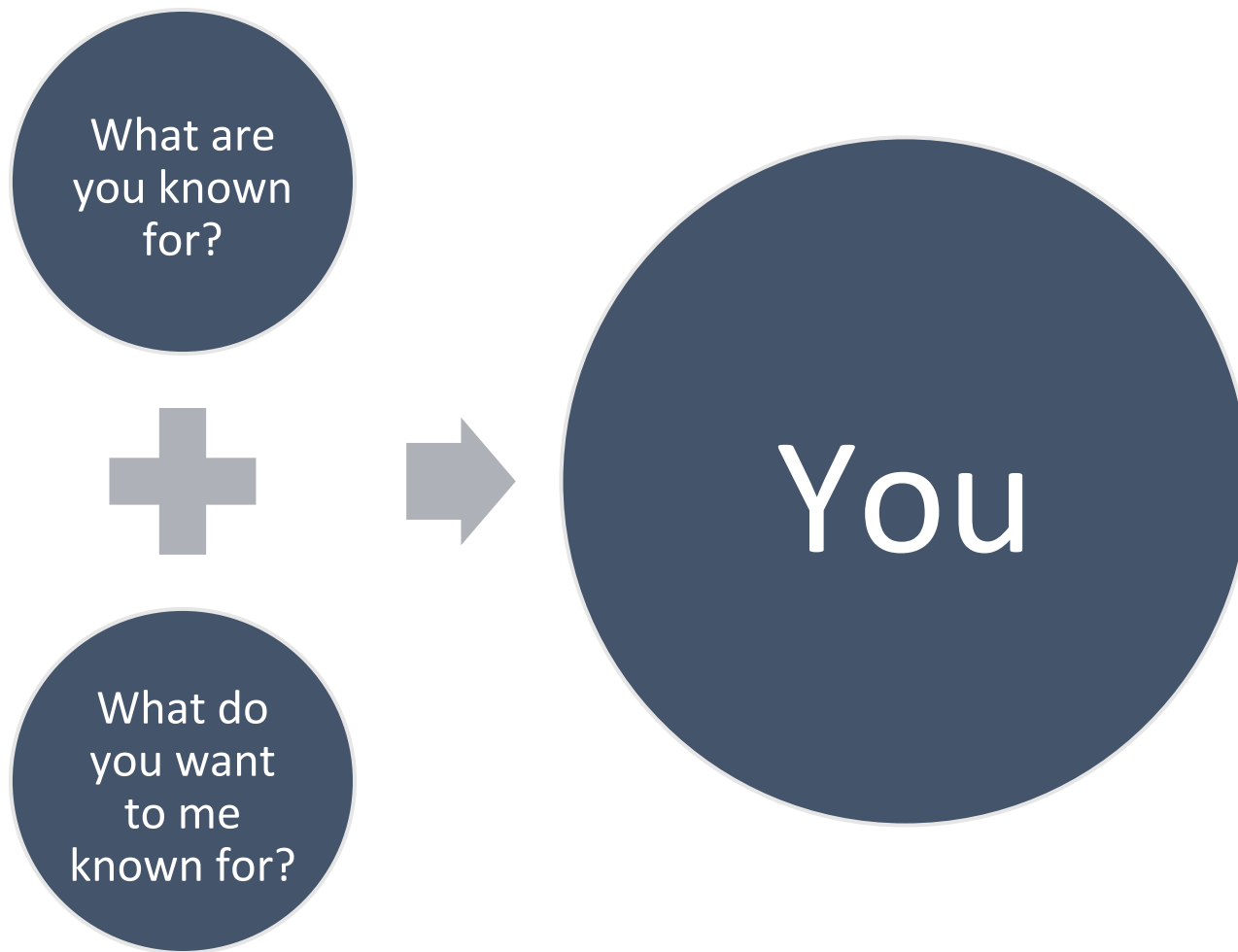


AGENDA

- HOW DO YOU DEFINE SUCCESS AND IDENTIFY CONCERNS
- THE TWELVE HABITS THAT HOLD US BACK
- THREE ASPECTS WE CAN CHANGE NOW
- WOMEN'S PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT STATUS
- COLUMBIA'S WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP
- IDENTIFY YOUR SUPPORTS AND BARRIERS
- WHAT COLUMBIA EXECUTIVE EDUCATION RESEARCH SHOWS US
- LEADING SELF, LEADING OTHERS, LEADING CHANGE
- STATUS OF GENDER DIVERSITY ON BOARDS
- DEVELOP YOUR EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP BRAND
- ACTIONABLE ACTIVITIES: BRANDING BEST PRACTICES
- COLUMBIA BUSINESS SCHOOL EXECUTIVE EDUCATION
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How do you define success?

A reflective exercise



First Reflection: How You Define Yourself

What are your concerns?

- Advancement in your career?
- In your opinion, what does the valued women professional look like?
- Do you need to adapt your mindset?
- How do others see you?

Stuck/Unstuck

- You feel something is preventing you from moving forward or from leading the life you're supposed to be living
- You feel unable to break through circumstances that are conspiring to hold you down
- You feel as if your contributions are not recognized or appreciated
- You feel the people around you have no idea what you are capable of achieving

First recognize the behavior and admit it no longer serves you.

Bring it to your awareness so you can begin to try new responses

Analyze the results and how you feel

Case One: Emily from Cupertino, CA

- Software engineer
- High-profile commitment to developing women
- Outgoing, empathetic and socially skilled – has broad connections across the organization
- Describes herself as a “go-to-person”, colleagues often ask her for advice

What happened?

During a retreat her boss said she needed to have more of a presence and more actively promote what the division was doing. *“I couldn’t believe it. The very thing I thought I was good at.”*

After she connected with a coach, and it was then she realized that she had not communicated to her boss that she was a connector and had never told him what she was doing. She expected him to know.

Emily has to work on:

Habit 1: Reluctance to Claim Your Achievements

Habit 2: Expecting Others to Spontaneously Notice and Reward Your Contributions

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Our Beliefs Shape our Resistance

Belief 1: Ambition is a “Bad” Thing

- Group examples
- Change: Ambition is not defined by hierarchy or positional power it is about contributing at your highest levels at the work you do. There is no reason why ambition cannot be refined by you to mean performing at your highest levels and contributing at your best. Do not let others define what ambition means. Do not live by someone else’s definition of ambition.

Belief 2: Being a good person means not disappointing others

- Group examples
- Change: Your inability to separate your own interests from the expectations of others.

Belief 3: Women should always be role models for other women

- Group examples
- Change: Expecting women to calculate personal and professional decisions based on how other women will interpret her choices adds an extra burden. Men are not expected to bear the same burden. Women often find their decisions and setbacks scrutinized through the role model lens, and more so if you are a minority.

All of the above have their roots based in society’s expectations that women need to put the needs of others ahead of their own. This begins early in our development as girls.

Don’t let these societal expectations hold you back. RISING REQUIRES BOLD ACTION.

The Twelve Habits That Hold Us Back

Reluctance to
claim your
achievements

Expecting others
to spontaneously
notice and reward
your contributions

Overvaluing
expertise

Just building
rather than
building and
leveraging
relationships

Failing to enlist
allies from day one

Putting your job
before your career

The perfection
trap

The disease to
please

Minimizing

Too much

Ruminating

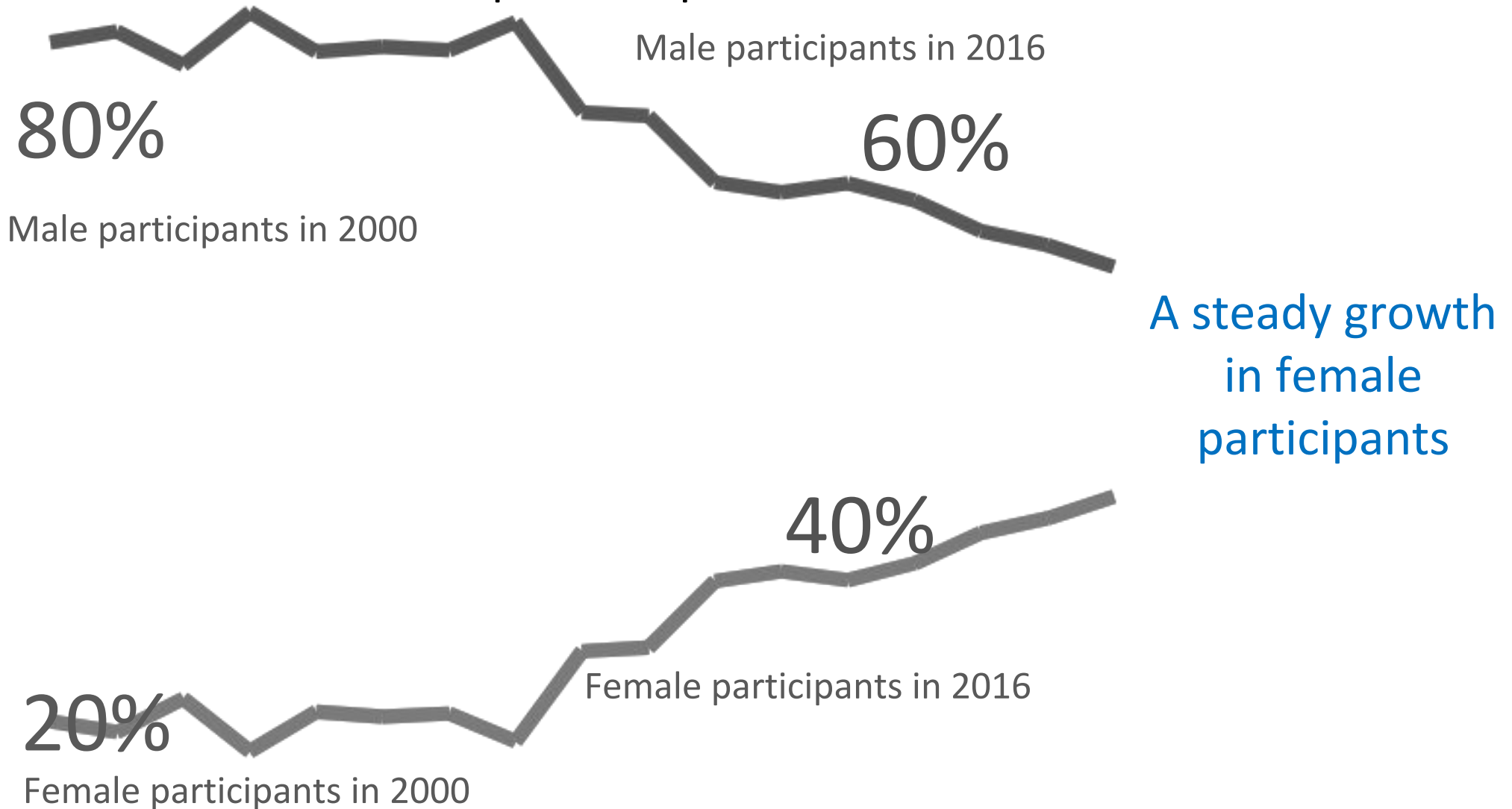
Letting your radar
distract you

- Write three clear and succinct sentences about what you do. Emphasize what you want to do in the future. Why you are qualified to do it.
- Shows you're ambitious to talk about your skills and background that aligns with the future of the organization, and gives you a chance to show you are reflective and concise.

- Mastery at your work and skillset can be very rewarding and allow you to be successful, but will not be sufficient to move ahead.
- Learning every details takes up too much bandwidth and leaves you with less time to develop relationships and new skills. Do not pigeon-hole yourself into being expert in one area, being indispensable to your boss will validate that you are only good and relied on for the one job.

- Examine body language and communication that minimizes what you do and even your physical space. Hold Your Space.
- Moderate your emotional range. 20000 words v. 7000
- Disclosure does not equal authenticity.

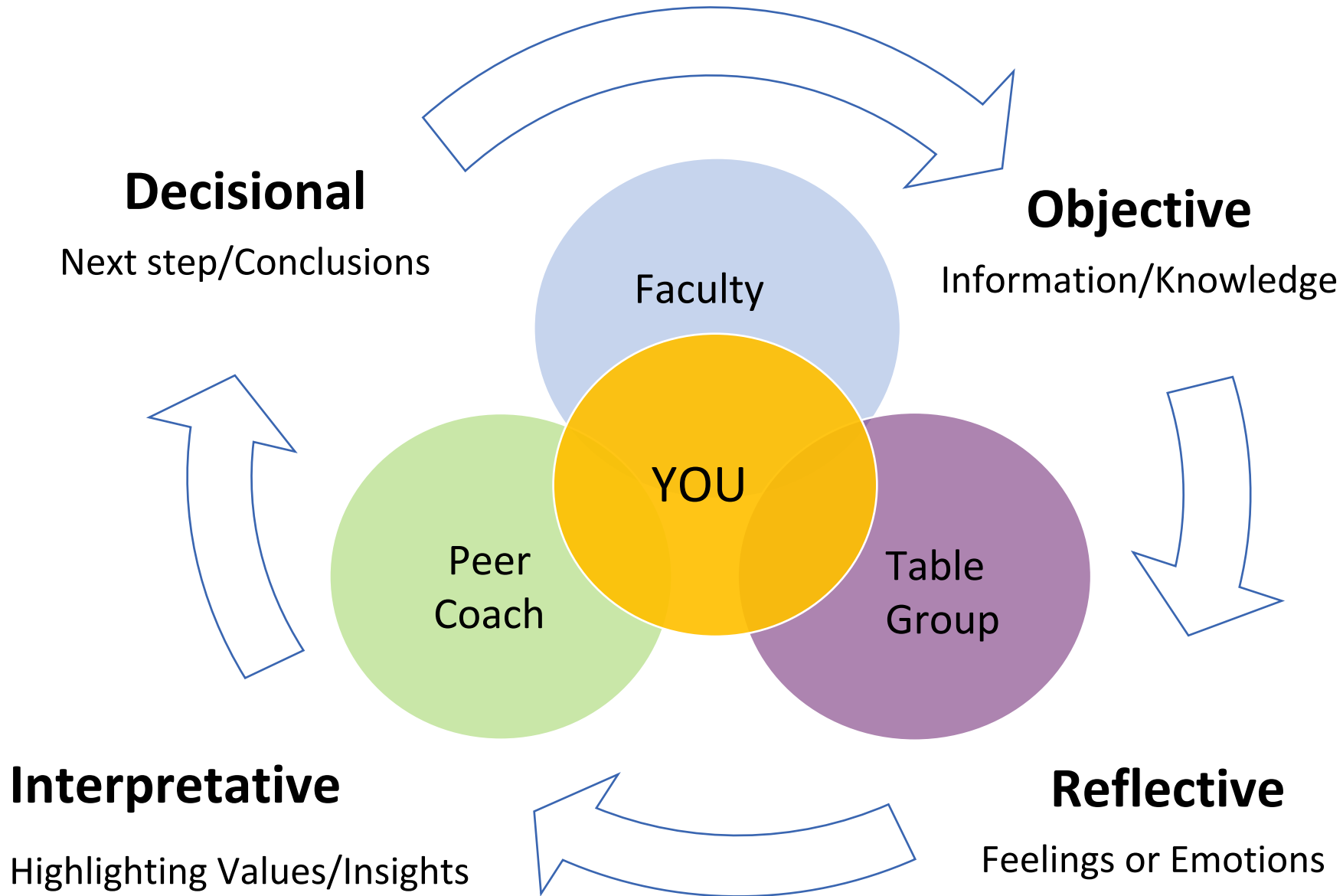
Women's Leadership Development Trends



Columbia's Women in Leadership Program

Day 1: LEADER SELF	Day 2: IMPACT	Day 3: CHANGE
<p>Overview of the program</p> <p>Inclusive Leadership: Understanding Diversity Dynamics</p> <p>Debrief: 360° Feedback</p>	<p>Guided Reflection</p> <p>Business Storytelling: Making Your Voice Heard</p> <p>Developing Your Leadership Brand</p>	<p>Guided Reflection</p> <p>What Successful Women Leaders Have in Common</p> <p>Leading with Purpose and Impact</p>
<p>Leveraging Your Network: GLEaM Network Assessment</p> <p>Peer Coaching Exercise</p> <p>Networking Reception</p>	<p>The Psychology of Persuasion</p> <p>Quantitative Intuition: Building Confidence and Taking Intelligence Risks</p> <p>Group Dinner</p>	<p>Enhancing Your Executive Presence</p> <p>Back at the Office</p> <p>Evaluation and Program Close</p>

How We Learn During the Program



Learning Objective Themes

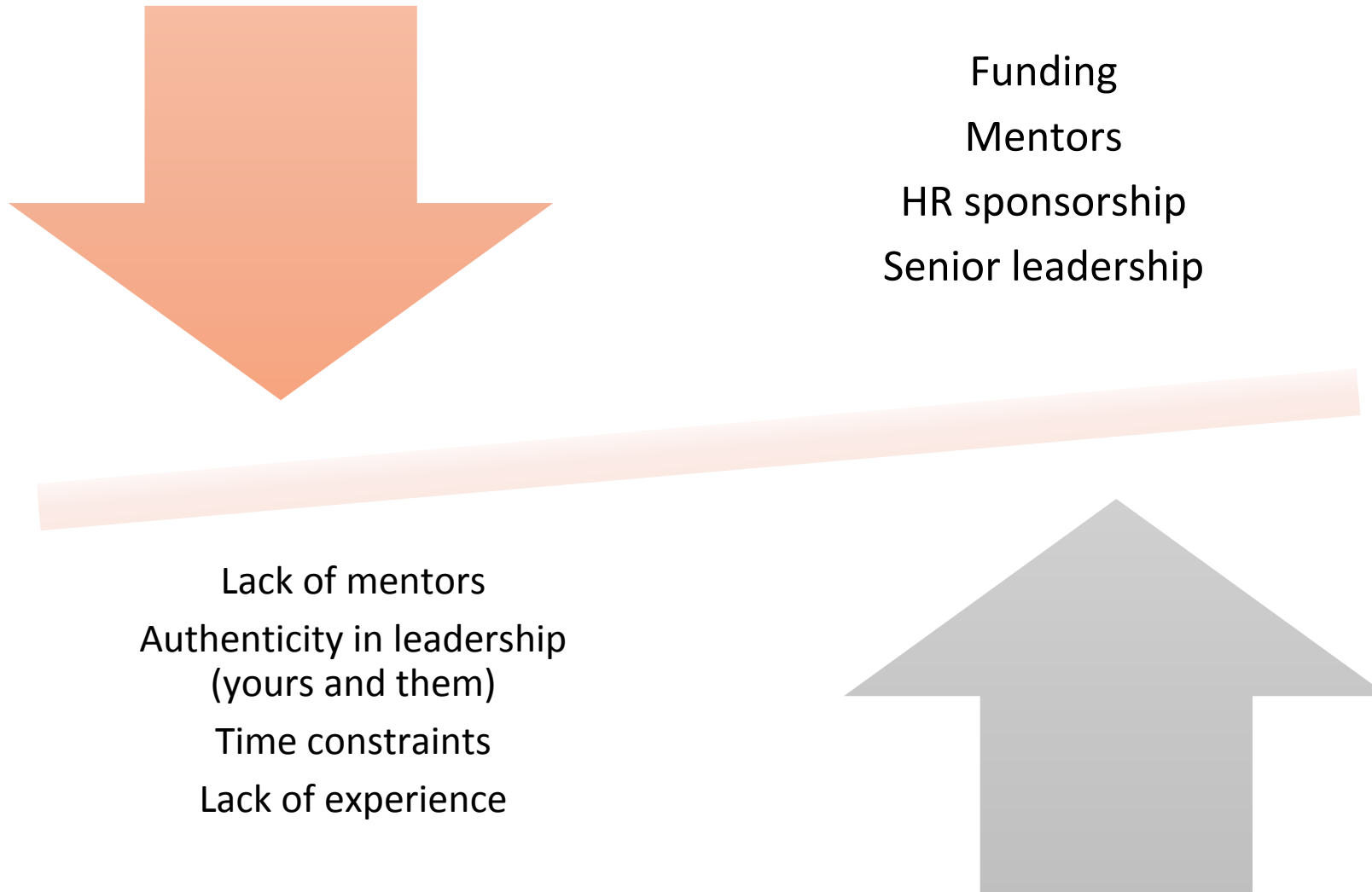
- Strengthen leadership skills
- Expand perspectives as a woman leader
- Deal with challenging organizational cultures
- Promote women in leadership
- Network with women leaders to learn best practices from each other

What are yours?



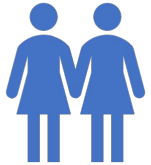
Leadership Development Opportunities

Institutional Supports and Barriers



Reflection Practice

- *What do you know about women in leadership?*
- *What are your feelings about women in leadership?*
- *What you think are the most important areas of women in leadership that would help you and your organization?*
- *What is a current and important situation (@ work) where you would like to apply insights from women in leadership?*





Developing Authenticity in Women's Leadership



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1. Background and Problem

Women's work status and their participation in management changed significantly in the past few decades (Seo, Huang, & Han, 2017). Increasingly corporations are focusing on developing women leaders. Yet, women are still underrepresented at executive and board positions. According to a gender-diversity index of Fortune 1000 companies in 2015, women make up only about 19% of corporate directors across all industries (Chakraborty, 2017). Women executives constantly face male-dominant organization's norms, gender-biased work conditions, and challenges in work-life balance (Adame, 2016; Ibarra, Ely, & Kolb, 2018; Seo, Huang, & Han, 2017). It is critical for women to develop authenticity in leadership in order to strive to realize purposes, enhance confidence, and remain optimistic despite such complex challenges.

Authentic leadership has gained increasing attention from scholars (Christo-Baker & Wilbur, 2017; Liu, Cutcher, & Grant, 2015). Authentic leadership researchers emphasize the importance of increased self-awareness, in-depth understanding of own strengths and weaknesses, and consistency between values and actions so that leaders can manage the challenging conditions that they face in their organizations (Walumbwa, Avolio, Gardner, Wernsing, & Peterson, 2008).

However, there is limited research exists the ways in which authenticity is developed from a women's leadership perspective. A significant concern that research can inform is that women need a better understanding of the ways in which women's authentic leadership is developed.

2. Purpose and Questions

The purpose of this exploratory case study is to better understand the impact of a women's leadership program in developing authenticity in leadership. More specifically, the researchers hope to uncover how and what aspects of the program impact women's authentic leadership development.

Research questions:

- How, if at all, does an in-person women's leadership development program impact participants in developing authentic leadership?
 - How, if at all, are women transformed through the discovery of one's authenticity in leadership via self-awareness and networking with peers beyond their organizations?
- How, if at all, do the aspects of individual and collective reflective activities impact women participants' authentic leadership development?

3. Conceptual Framework

The conceptual framework proposed helps explain how and what elements are influencing women's authentic leadership development.

Elements Facilitated by Attending the Program Through:

- Individual Reflection
- Collective Reflection
- Experiential Learning



4. Methods and Sample

This study targets women executives who attended a non-degree women's leadership development program in 2017 at a university.

The methods include:

- Individual telephone interviews
 - Focus on the particular episodes and stories of the participants' leadership experiences in their professional life and the discoveries that formed what they stand for as a leader.
 - The application of their core values to their leadership challenges during and after the program will be evidence of the impact of their learning.
- Field observation (2017 Fall program)
- Archival data (pre-program survey, application, post-program evaluation, and program materials)



5. Preliminary Findings

Key themes emerged from the data analysis:

a. Pre-Program

Perceived Support Factors and Barriers in Developing Women's Authentic Leadership

Support Factors

- Executive Coaching
- Funding
- Senior Leadership Support
- Mentoring
- Leadership Programs
- Flexible Work Hours

Barriers

- Authentic Self vs. Navigating the Leadership Maze
- Lack of Self-Confidence in Leading
- Limited Bandwidth (and Influence) in Growth
- Time Constraints
- Lack of Mentors
- Supervisor's Management Style
- Difficulty in Asking for Help

b. Post-Program

The Program's Impact on Developing Authenticity in Women's Leadership

Leading Self

- Strong Voice & Presence
- Increased Confidence
- Assertiveness

Leading Others

- Developing Others
- Strategy Creation and Execution
- Influence and Persuasion

Leading Organization

- Changing Culture
- Growth Opportunities



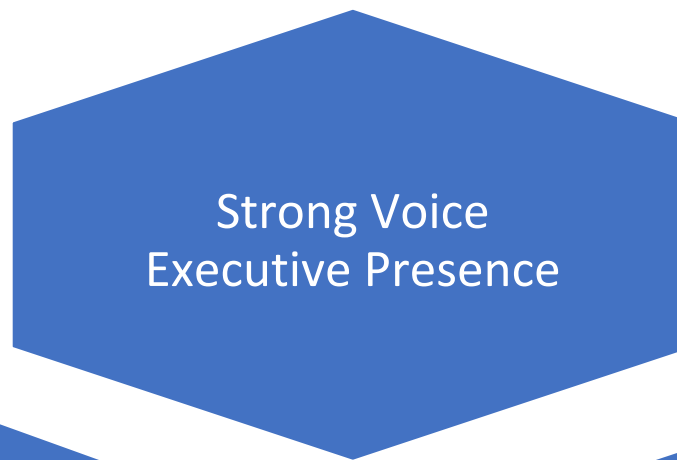
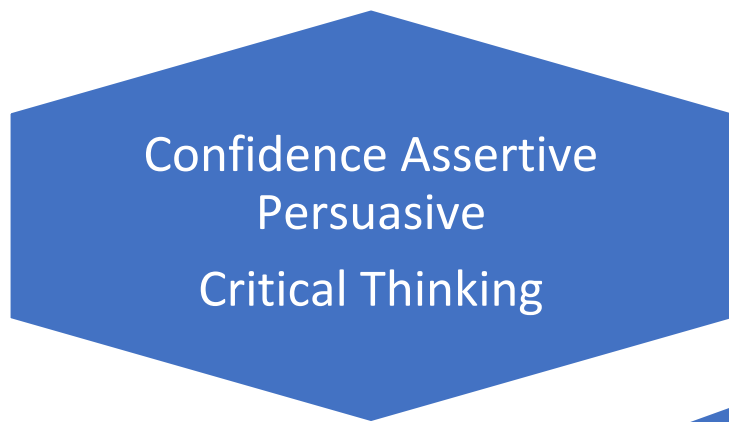
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Leading Self



Leading Others



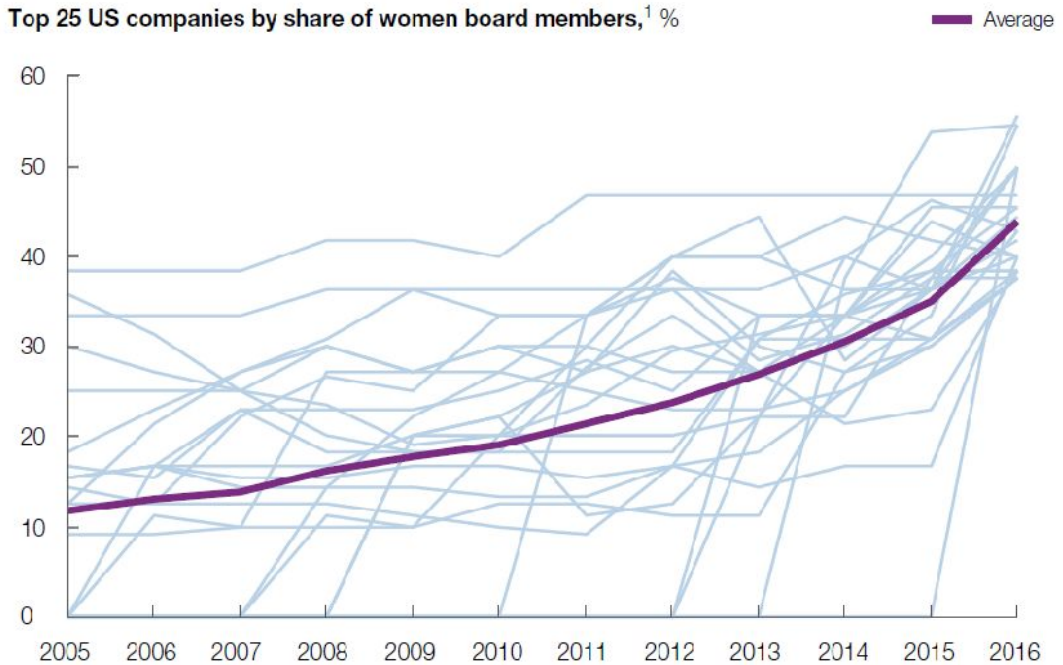
Leading Change

Accelerating Gender Diversity on Boards: *How to Motivate Others to Take Action*

Exhibit 1

Among the top 25 US companies, representation of women on boards is steadily converging toward parity.

Top 25 US companies by share of women board members,¹ %



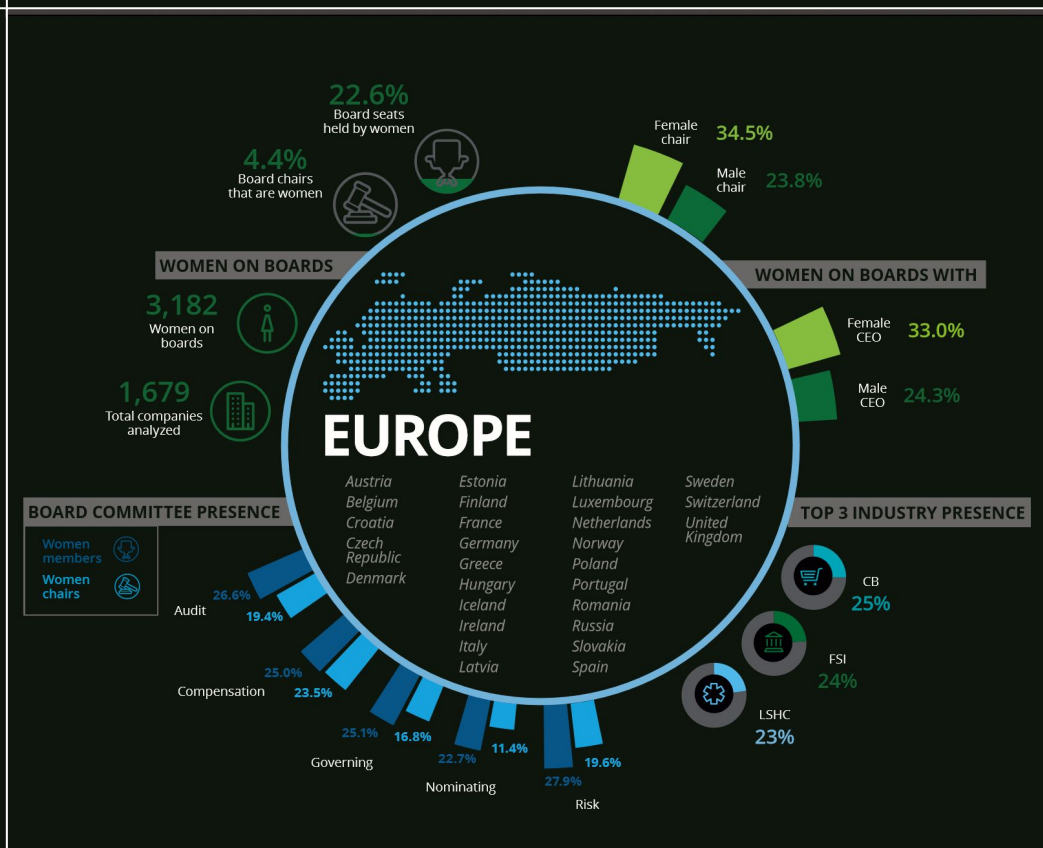
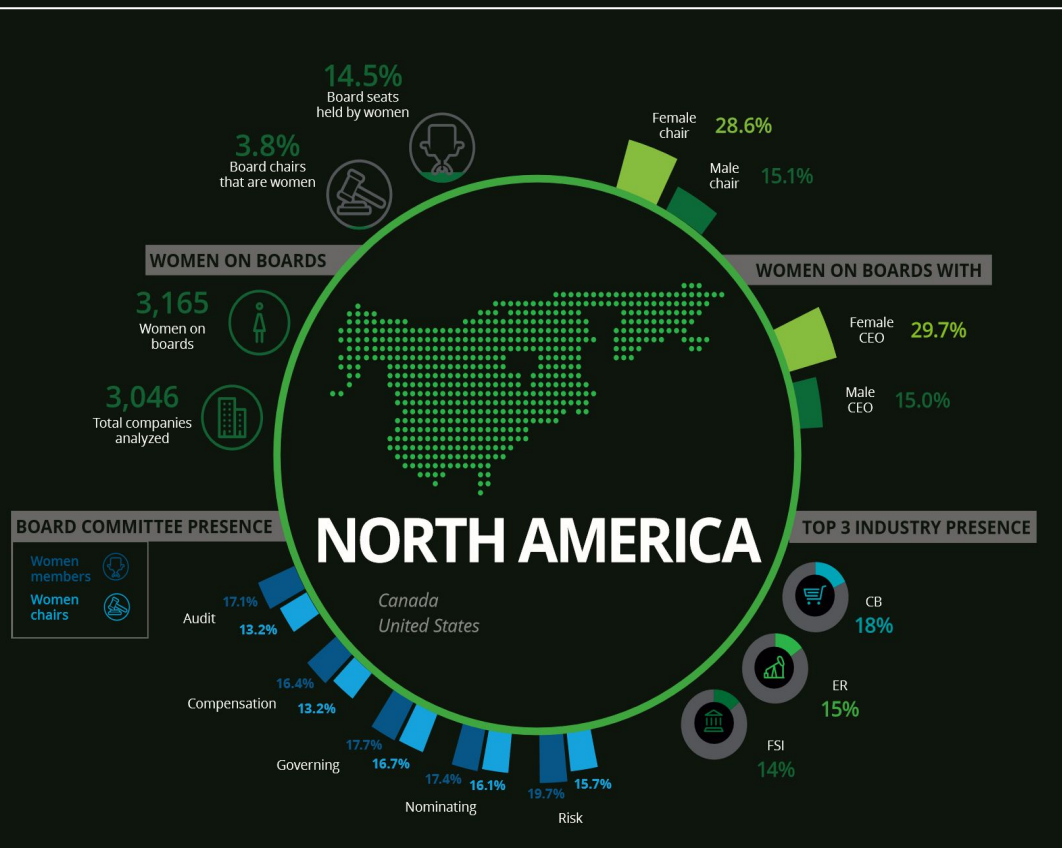
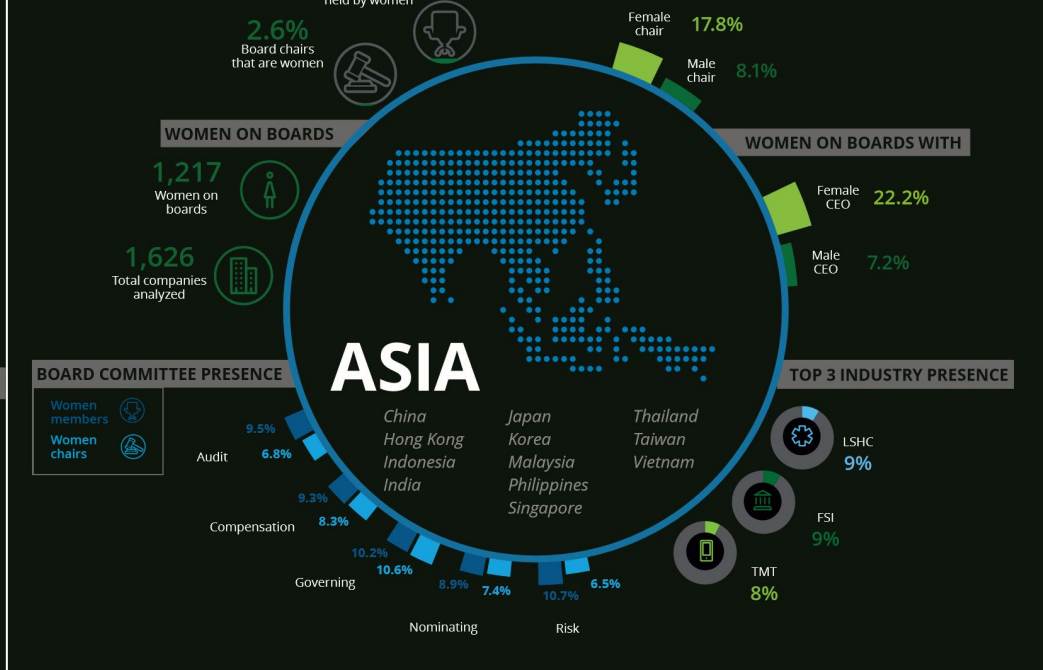
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Viacom
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¹As of August 2016.

Source: BoardEx database, 2005-16



Gender Diversity on Boards

Best practices to improve

Change your mind-set

Make a visible commitment to diversity with sustained action throughout the organization

Set new principles for decision making (eg, include women on every candidate slate)

Expand your criteria

Look beyond current CEOs and other members of the C-suite

Consider candidates with the right expertise, not just those with prior board experience

Maintain an active pipeline

Expand your network to include more women and explicitly ask search firms for female candidates

Cultivate long-term relationships with prospective candidates

Use your strengths, values and passions
and vision to craft the following
statement:

Develop Your Executive Leadership Brand Statement

I am a _____
leader, who can deliver _____
_____ because I
_____.

Actionable Activities: *Branding Best Practices*

- Can you personify this brand day-to-day?
 - Are there any obstacles that will prevent you from promoting your brand?
 - Social Media Brand
 - List 2 -3 things you need to grow/develop in order to enhance your branding goals
- Share your brand with others, invite feedback
 - You have to believe in yourself, until you feel comfortable and own the “new” brand
 - Focus not on “you”, but the value you bring to others
 - Be consistent with your brand, don’t assume it’s a done deal; it’s an ongoing process
 - When you are ready, in the next 2 years, evolve your brand again

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