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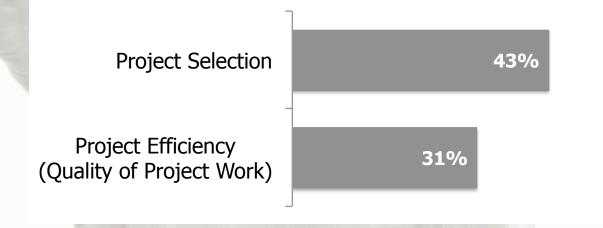
The **BigStep® Method** helps to speed up initiatives (strategies, concepts...) and makes them happen!

#### **BigStep®** has 3 Phases

- Screening
  - **Raising awareness** of the main issues related to the problem/initiative in your team (creates group consciousness)
- BigStep® Workshop ....
  - Focuses, motivates, and aligns your Team on an initiative (concepts, strategies, .....) in **one Workshop**
- BigStep® Engine
  - Makes things happen. Speeds up Execution (guaranteed **Execution** rate of ~ 90% of measures and projects within 12 months)

# The Problem: Poor Execution Rate of Projects!

Research Study shows the satisfaction of the German Top Management with Project Management in Organizations



See Gröger, Projektmanagement: Abenteuer Wertvernichtung, 2004,

n=962 in Germany

# Why projects fail\*?



<sup>\*</sup> See Heines, Ergebnisse der Studie: Projekte als Erfolgsfaktor, 2011

# The problem of many organizations!

Strategies and Concepts developed by the Top-Management Team are not implemented throughout the organization.



Action plans of small project teams don't have the commitment of the Top

Management and fail.

many ideas
many concepts
many action plans



poor implementation poor results



- Deeper understanding in the organization is missing.
- Critical mass is not reached.
- No commitment no buy-in
- The expertise of the employees is not retrieved.
- The improvement process is applied incorrectly.

A sustainable implementation process, starting with the selection of the right projects and ending with a successful completion of the projects, is missing.



No matter if you plan a **Cost Reduction Program, Productivity Increases** or a massive **Sales Initiative**:

With BigStep® you save a lot of time,
because your team will be aligned
in just one workshop

With the BigStep® Engine you achieve an execution rate of ~ 90% of your projects and measures within 12 months, because you follow a proven implementation process.

# The BigStep® Method

#### **BigStep®** is

- a team and role based, non-hierarchical method
- a bottom up method (vs. top down)
- a large group intervention workshop for up to 40 people
- a motivational workshop
- an intelligent problem-solving-process

#### **BigStep® Benefits**

- Makes your team buy in, into your initiative in one Workshop
- Increases efficiency and effectiveness of your initiatives
- Unleashes the know how of all people involved
- You will arrive at an execution quotient of measures/projects of ~ 90% within 12 months (vs. German Industry standard ~ 35%)

### Most important applications of BigStep®



#### **Competitiveness**

- Productivity Improvements and Cost Reduction
- Utilization of Synergies



#### Growth

- Implementation of Growth Strategies
- Organic Growth and Acquisitions
- Organization and Processes



#### **Change and Repositioning**

- Reorganization and Communication
- Post Merger Integration

Before BigStep® Screening (Facts & Figures and Interviews with Key Players)
Definition of "Opening Question"
Selection of Participants

During BigStep® Key Topic Selection by Participants (Definition of the Key Topics )

Key Topic Assignment

Session 1

Analysis: Creating common understanding

Session 2

Defining: Objectives

Session 3

Solutions: Action and Project Plans

After BigStep®

Follow Up Action Plans, Projects, From Actions to Results!

# **Examples of Opening Questions**

# **Before BigStep®**

#### Definition of Opening Question

- "How can we achieve a cost reduction of € 2 M. in 20xx?"
- "How do we have to adapt and develop our organization in order to stay competitive?"
- "What do we have to do to achieve an increase in market share by 5% till the end of next year?"
- "What are our main projects we have to focus on in order to achieve our strategic targets till 2020?"
- "How can we improve our internal communication and teamwork?"
- "What do we have to do, to achieve a high effectiveness and efficiency of our R&D projects?"
- "What do we have to do in order to increase the speed of our order fulfillment process dramatically?

# The Procedure of BigStep® - Key Topic Selection

# During BigStep®

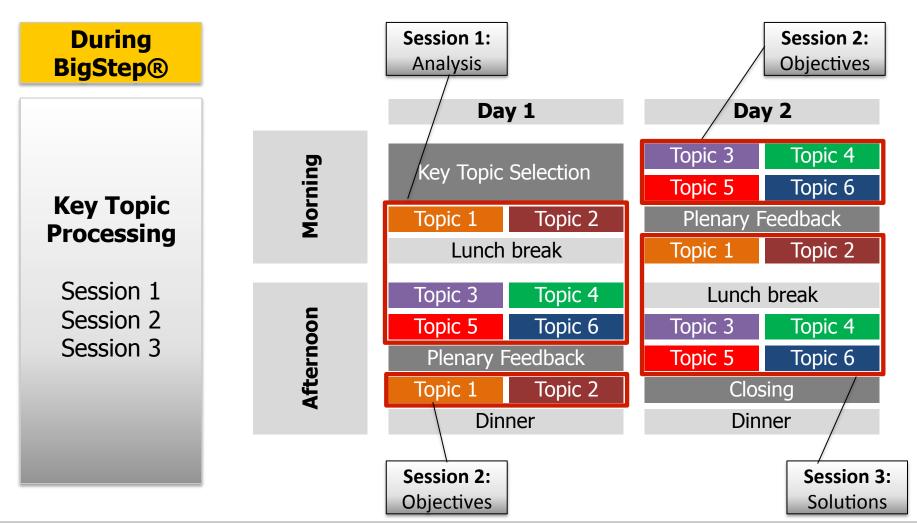
# **Key Topic Selection**

(Definition of Key Topics)

- Explanation of roles, rules and method
- Opening statement und key question by the executive (in/out topics)
- Brainstorming, workshop cards and clustering
- Key topic selection
- Definition of Teams following a mathematical algorithm



### Example – 6 Key Topics



# The Procedure of BigStep® - The Roles

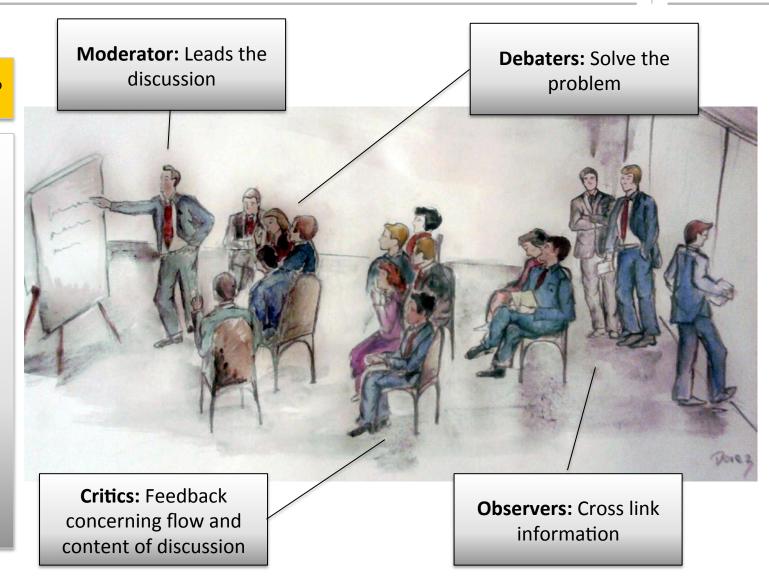
**During BigStep®** 

**Key Topic Selection** 

**Session 1** (Analysis)

Session 2 (Objectives)

Session 3 (Solutions, Projects & Actions)



#### Sessions and Distribution of Information

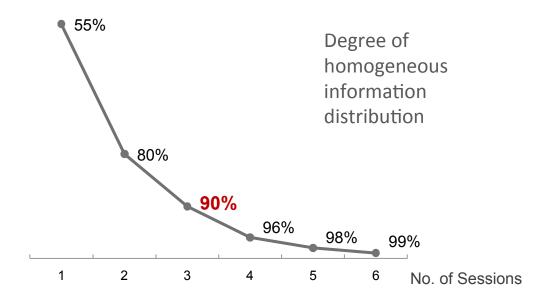
#### **During BigStep®**

**Key Topic Processing** 

Session 1 (Analysis)

Session 2 (Objectives)

Session 3 (Solutions, Projects & Actions) • The specific workshop-design of BigStep® leads to an almost homogeneous information distribution (~90% in 3 sessions) amongst all workshop participants.



# The Procedure of BigStep® - Plenary Feedback

#### **During BigStep®**

#### Plenary Feedback and Energy Points

After each Session

- In five minutes time, each group presents results of their session.
- The results are ranked by the participants. (Energy Points Award)



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	Energie Points	Ranking	
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· Key Topic 2	17.00	3	1
· Key Topic 3	11114	4	
· Key Topic 4	11.	(3)	
· Key Topic 5	WWW.	1	1
· Key Topic 6	4:	8	1
· Key Topic 7	2000	2	
· Key Topic 8	111	7	

# Results of the BigStep® Workshop - Example

# After BigStep®

Implementation of

Multi -Project -Management

BigStep® Implementation Engine

- Quick Wins (within 3 months)
  - Reduction of Setup Time with 4 Step Rapid Setup Method
  - Introduction of freight fee for small quantities orders
  - Implementation of "OK-Point" in the order fulfillment process
  - Rework documentation
  - Spring Cleaning / "Red Card" Measures
- Break-through Projects (3 to 6 months)
  - Market Entry in new Market Segment
  - Reduction of Material Costs
  - Utilization of employees
  - Reduction of Cost of poor quality
  - Optimize Product Portfolio
- Projects and Measure (3 to 9 months)
  - Improvement of communication
  - Improvement of Accounts Receivable Management
  - Implementation of reusable containers

# Savely implement projects with BigStep®

#### 1. BigStep® Screening

- Facts & Figures
- Qualitative Interviews with selected Key Players
- Presentation of Results
- Purpose: Raising awareness of the main issues related to the problem/initiative (creates group consciousness)

#### 2. BigStep® Workshop (2 to 3,5 days)

- Executive Summary of Screening
- 6/8/12 Key Topics
- 24 50 Participants, 4 Moderators (for smaller groups: 2 Moderators)
- Purpose: Focusses, aligns, motivates the Team around the initiative (concepts, strategies, ....) in one Workshop!

#### 3. BigStep® Engine

- Prioritization of Projects
- Implementation of Multi Project Management
- Immediate realization of Quick Wins and Break-through Projects
- Makes things happen, speeds up Execution (Execution rate ~ 90% of measures and projects)

"10 months after the BigStep® Workshop the execution rate of the agreed projects is 85%!"

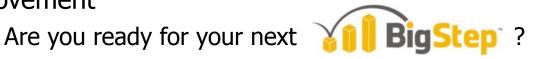
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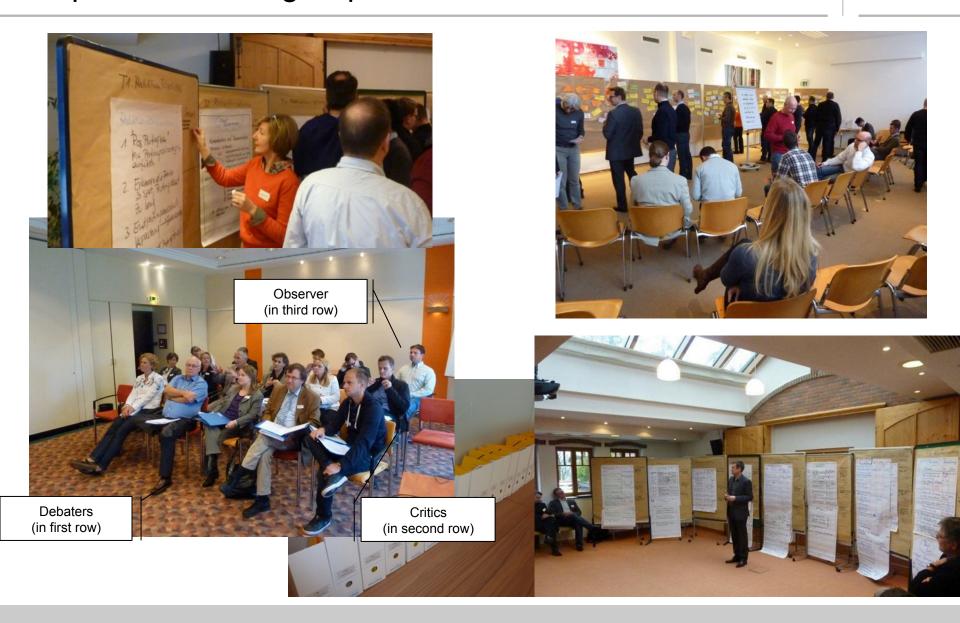
# The Results of BigStep®....

- BigStep® Method helps to speed up initiatives (strategies, concepts, ...) and makes them happen!
- Team is within 2 3 days fully committed to a strategic initiative, a specific program or a change issue.
- Prepares the team for the implementation
- Motivation Workshop, creates Momentum in the team
- Guarantees the implementation with the "BigStep® Implementation Engine" in the next step
- Immediate realization of "Quick Wins"
- Break-through Projects guarantee the sustainability of the improvement measures.

  Are you ready









# These companies already rely on BigStep®





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Jan 2013 Apr 2014



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