

# Which Working Practices Have Become Preferred Practices During the Previous Two Decades?

#### Exercise

#### There are two rounds:

- In round 1 we look at a large organization, company or a system like health services
- In round 2 we look at a team you work(ed) for or the practices you apply yourself

For each round, please note the number of times you selected the left and right columns

### Round 1

- 1. Please choose a large organization or company you have some experience with or a system like health services
- 2. Look at the whole of the organization or the system you have chosen
- 3. For each row below, please choose the practice that became the preferred practice during the previous two decades
  - Important: only one choice per row
  - Is applying both practices a standard situation? In this case, this row can be skipped
- 4. Do it quickly. The record time is 2 minutes



Please answer: Which working practices have become preferred practices during the previous two decades?

1.	0	Split complex challenges into parts	$\bigcirc$	When the challenge is complex, apply self-organization or agile practice
2.	0	Use linear processes such as step-by- step and 'If the situation is X, then do Y'	0	Create natural process flows Like round-abouts on the road replaced rigid traffic lights for better throughput, lower costs and fewer accidents
3.	0	Management and experts provide the decisions to make  Happens through directions, rules, standards, processes, IT applications and the like	0	People have the freedom to make decisions for the situation at hand
4.	0	Build on what you have	$\bigcirc$	Stop doing what does not work
5.	0	Define what you are talking about	$\bigcirc$	Use patterns: everybody can have a somewhat different view
6.	0	Demonstrate short-term action when problems occur	$\bigcirc$	Resolve problems at their root cause(s).
7.	0	When there is insufficient compliance: Enforce compliance with best practices, processes, strategies, standards and the like	0	Give people the freedom to do what makes (business) sense



## Round 2

Please redo the exercise by looking at a team you work(ed) for or the practices you apply

1.	0	Split complex challenges into parts	0	When the challenge is complex, apply self-organization or agile practice
2.	0	Use linear processes such as step-by- step and 'If the situation is X, then do Y'	0	Create natural process flows  Like round-abouts on the road replaced rigid traffic lights for better throughput, lower costs and fewer accidents
3.	0	Management and experts provide the decisions to make Happens through directions, rules, standards, processes, IT applications and the like	0	People have the freedom to make decisions for the situation at hand
4.	0	Build on what you have	0	Stop doing what does not work
5.	0	Define what you are talking about	0	Use patterns: everybody can have a somewhat different view
6.	0	Demonstrate short-term action when problems occur	0	Resolve problems at their root cause(s).
7.	0	When there is insufficient compliance: Enforce compliance with best practices, processes, strategies, standards and the like	0	Give people the freedom to do what makes (business) sense

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