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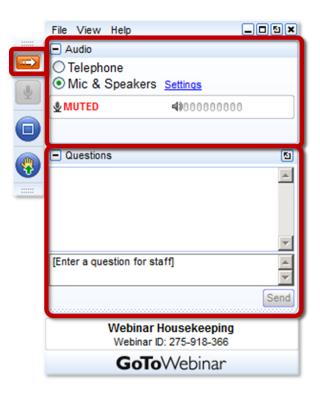
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## Today's Program

- Welcome
- Introduction of MBB Webcast Series
  - Ellen Milnes
- "Working Projects to Close"
  - Lutz Tückmantel
- Open Discussion and Questions





### **About Our Presenter**



#### Lutz Tückmantel, Master Black Belt

- Lutz Tückmantel Engineering
- 20 years international experience managing production, quality, and process improvement
- Ford Motor Company and GE
- Graduate Engineer





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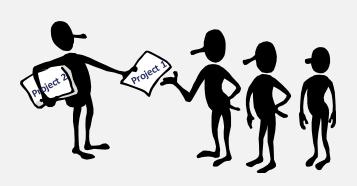
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## **Experiences with Multi-Project-Management**



### **Resources on Multiple Projects**

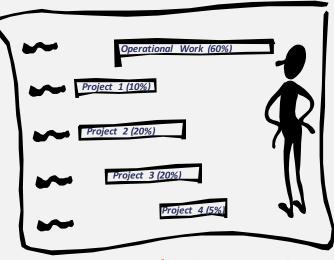


#### Team Member or PM

- ✓ 1 Project
- ✓ 100% on Every Project
- ✓ 1 Champion
- ✓ No Vacation / 24 x 7
- ✓ Fully trained

### Not realistic !!

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#### **More Realistic Scenario**

#### **Best Practice**

- ✓ Account for ALL Projects + Work
- ✓ Determine % allocated per project
- ✓ Transparent
- ✓ Block out Vacation/Holiday/Weekends
- ✓ Plan training



## A Project is a Project is a Project

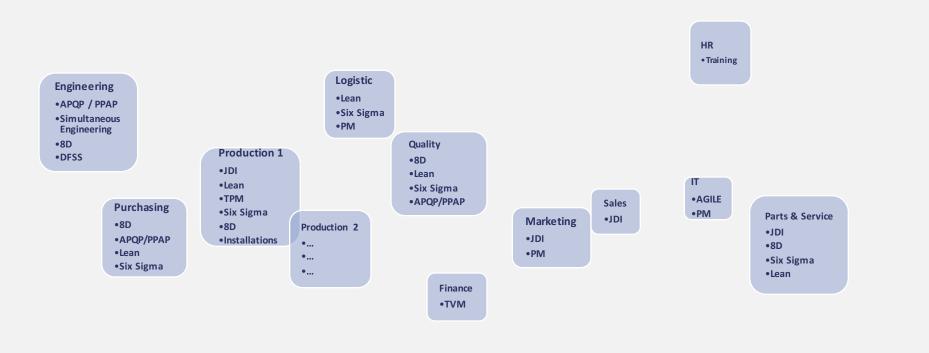


Which is the right method?

How do we manage resources – Request or Commit? How do we track it? – Can our ERP (SAP, etc) help us?



## Who is doing projects how?



Different Departments use Different Project Methodes but at some point the same Resources



# What's in it for me?

Manager/Process Owner		CEO/VP/Company	
I have a problem. When can it be fixed by whom?		I have a problem/project which cost us money and customer satisfaction. When will it be fixed/delivered?	
	Project		
Employee	Comp	letion	Customer
I have so much operational work. When can I do all those projects? - or My operational work is boring. I rather do projects.		I have a problem/launch with this company. When will it be done?	



## **Big vs Small**

# **Big projects**

- ✓ Governance boards
- ✓ Good tracking
- ✓ Dedicated resources
- ✓ Extensive reporting
- ✓ High visibility
- ✓ Budget

## Small projects

- ✓ No Governance
- ✓ Excel-Reporting
- Embedded Resources
- ✓ Poor reporting
- Little/no interest by champion/sponsor

### Size matters - sometimes



## Size it right - One doesn't fit all

### Level 1 - Small projects

- $\checkmark\,$  Part of daily / weekly operations
- $\checkmark$  Waste elimination, Problem Solving
- ✓ Complete in 1-2 weeks /< 10hrs
- ✓ Improvement Kata, OFAT, A3
- $\checkmark\,$  Report out is replaced by coaching Kata
- Project approval by next level management
- ✓ Set a time to work on it for planning AND for doing

### Level 2

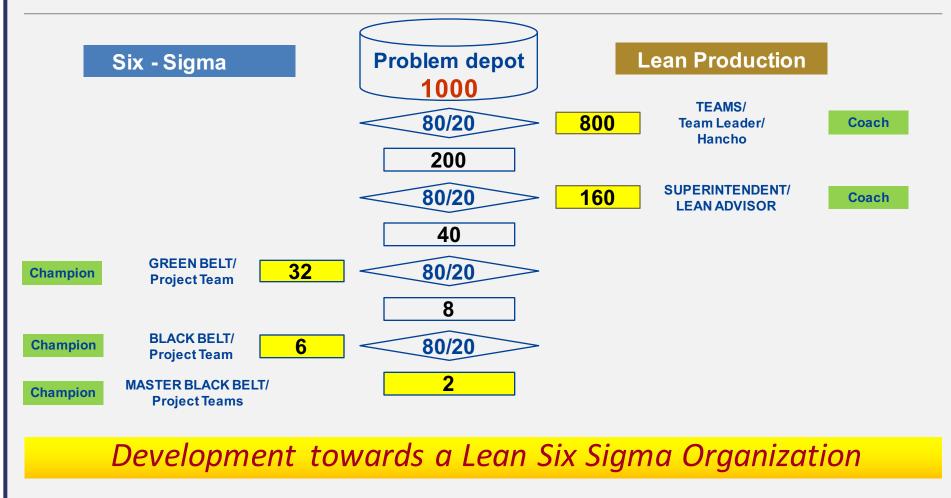
- ✓ Support department/plant goals
- ✓ 8D, Six Sigma, Complex Problems
- Mix of dedicated and embedded personal

### Level 3

- ✓ Global work stream
- ✓ ERP implementation
- ✓ Global launch of products, processes or systems
- ✓ Master Project Plan
- ✓ Dedicated personal

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### All YOUR Problems: LEAN for the Mass - SIX SIGMA for the Class



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# The IK & CK

### The Improvement Kata

The Improvement Kata is a model of the human creative process. It's a 4-step pattern of establishing target conditions and then working iteratively (scientifically) through obstacles, by learning from them and adapting based on what's being learned.

### The Coaching Kata

The Coaching Kata is a pattern for managers to follow in teaching the Improvement Kata pattern in daily work, so that it becomes part of an organization's culture.



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**Target Condition** 

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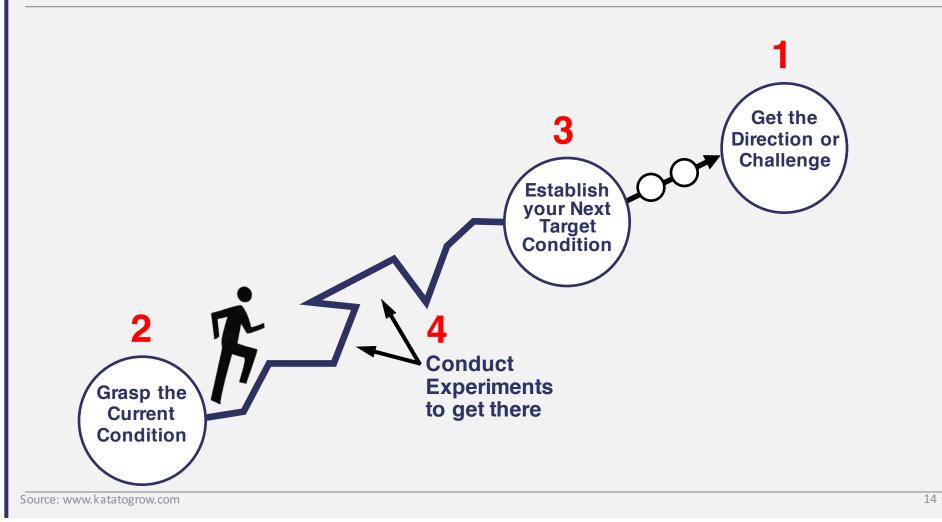
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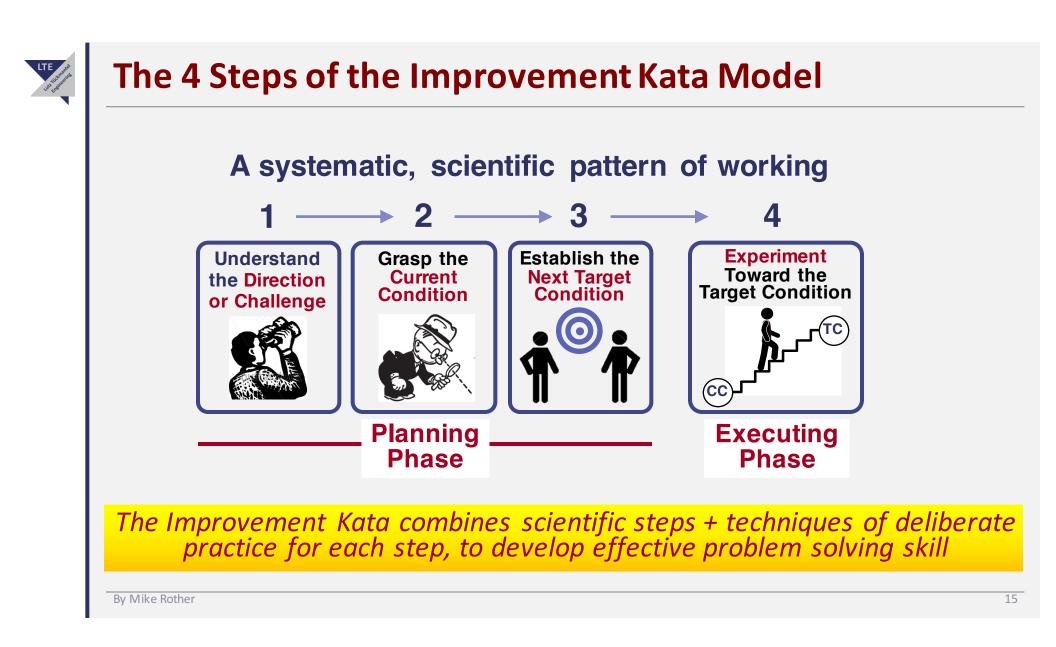
Next Target

Condition



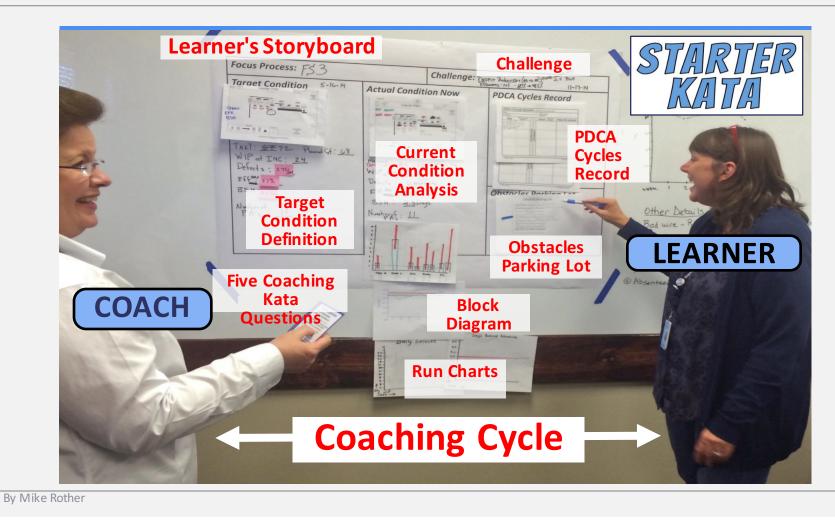
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### **Coaching Kata in Action**

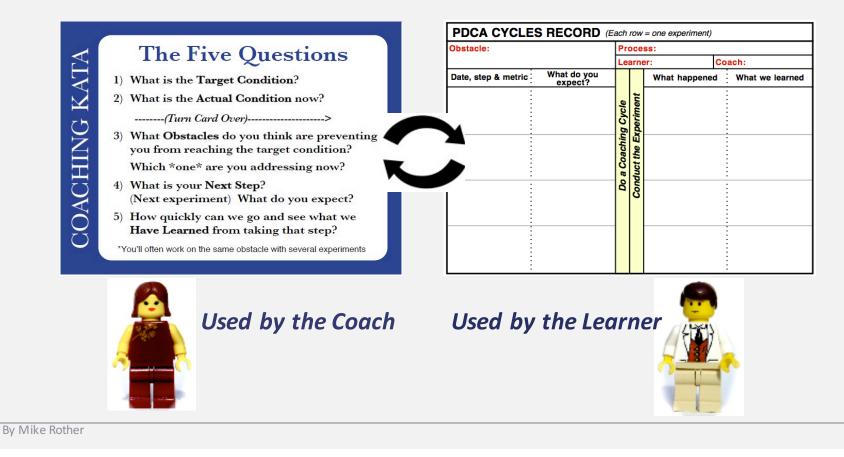


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## Five Coaching Kata Questions & PDCA Cycles Record

### **5-Question Coaching Dialog**

### **Rapid PDCA Cycles**



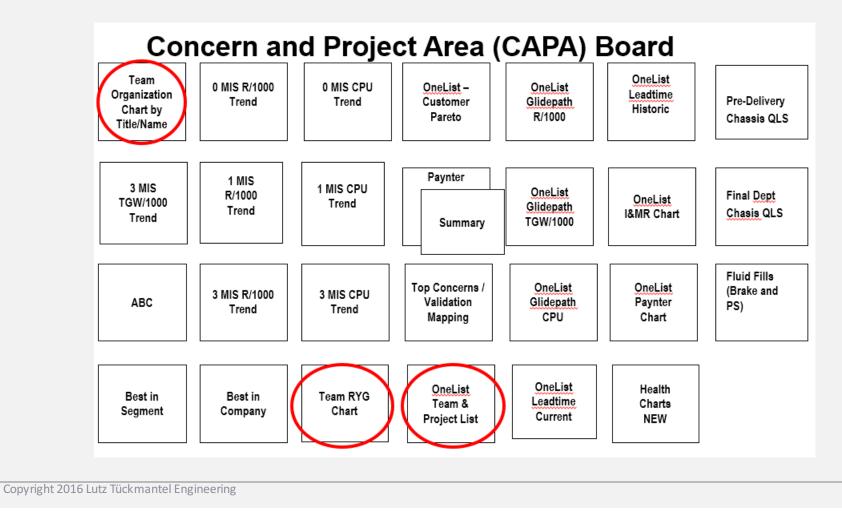


### **Project Documentation**

- ✓ Keep it short and standardized
- ✓ Take photos of handwritten documents to be includeded in presentation
- One standard of presentation for all levels of the organization
- Keep documentation current and available for everyone



## Level 1 & 2 Staffing & Tracking





# Is Training a project?

## Training

- ✓ It is not operational
- ✓ It has to be planned for
- ✓ It has a start and a finish and will deliver something
- ✓ It absorbes resources



### Allways include required training into your project planning



## When shall we start and finish?

- ✓ How important is the project strategic vs operational
- Do I have the people to do it? Are they on other projects or on vacation?
- ✓ Is budget required?
- ✓ What gets not done if I do the project now?
- ✓ Does the organization have to set priorities?

### Priorities are set for conflicting resources only

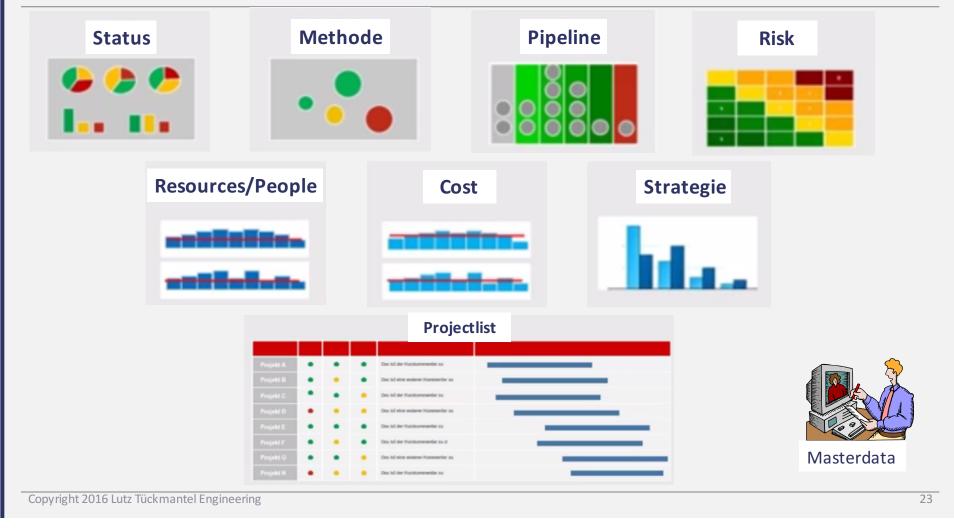


### Masterplan

# Have a masterplan at the beginning of the year 3-5 year improvement plan vs Problems to solve now

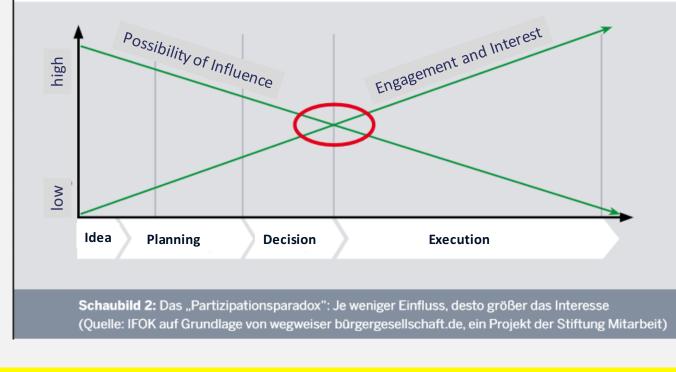


## Do we know what we are doing?





### **The Participation Pardoxon**



As lower the Influence as greater the Interest

Source: IFOK on base of signpost civil society, a project of the foundation Participation



# People – Who will do the work?

- ✓ Who on my team is in for a project?
- ✓ Exclusive or embedded?
- ✓ How much operational work needs to be done?
- ✓ Establish a structure of running projects
- ✓ Know exactly who is good in what
  - Experience
  - Training required
- Track all activities
  - Operational
  - Projects



### **Best Practice**

- Participation by ALL levels and Departments
- Solve it on the lowest level & with the simplest tools quickly
- One central system to allocate and track resources independent of project type
- ✓ Champion to commit resources Give and take
- ✓ Steering committee to
  - balance projects and
  - time commitments



- Transparent everyone knows what is going on
- ✓ Define magnitude of work per project e.g. >10h work total

The Ability to solve problems faster then they role in will determine your suvival as a company



## Thank you for your contribution

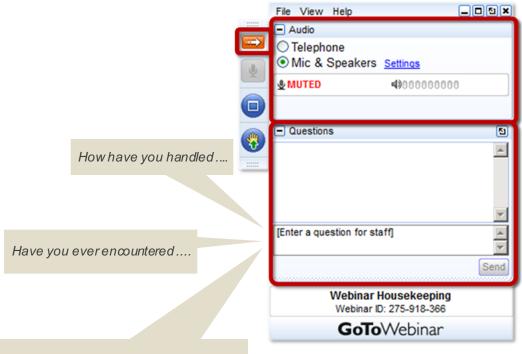


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### Questions

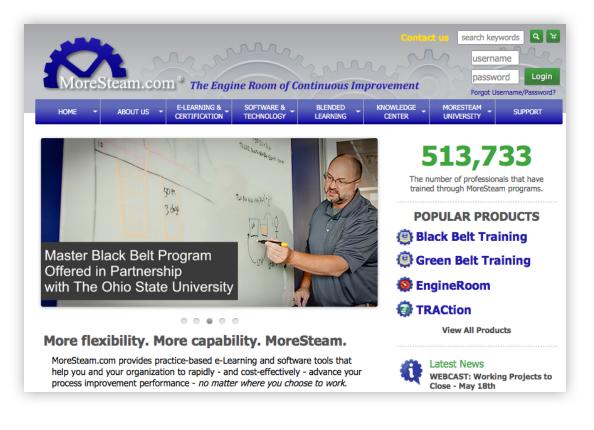




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