

The Leader to Leader Series

"There is absolutely no inevitability as long as there is a willingness to contemplate what is happening"

(Marshall McLuhan)

Leader to Leader Exchanges: February - July 2021

(12th Feb, 12th Mar, 23rd Apr, 21st May, 18th Jun, 16th Jul – from 12pm to 2pm)

We are living through one of the largest social science experiments in recent memory and this is a chance to be in substantive conversation together as a group of highly respected peers as the story unfolds. These leader to leader exchanges will follow a



similar format as the 'Heart of the matter' conversation in the opening session above. It will be a forum in which we openly share and honestly examine our own responses as leaders.

The opening for the conversation will be a profound reflection on the question 'how am I doing?'...'no, how am I really doing?'... By answering this deeply and honestly, and hearing ourselves answering it, in the company of fellow

leaders with no other agenda than nurturing wisdom, we will access profound insights and breakthroughs. What this taps directly into is the 'emergent' knowing that is so crucial in times of transition – the knowing we didn't know we knew until we found ourselves expressing it. The knowing we often wouldn't trust without the affirming, sifting presence of respected peers on similar journeys. This kind of knowing reveals itself in the subtlety of our experience. We have to be alert and available to it to be able to access it. This programme will help strengthen your capacity to access this on an ongoing basis.

Each session will run for two hours, beginning with a session as a whole group to bring us into the space, highlight the core themes that are emerging as we are progressing and to stimulate thinking/enquiry on the themes that are relevant for each of us. After this we will work in small groups to get into depth around our own questions. Key insights will then be captured and consolidated at the end to inform the ongoing enquiry into 'leading in these times'.

Benefits

Our expectation is that by participating in this programme you will:

- Enjoy a safe, stimulating environment in which to express some of your deepest, perhaps unspoken, thoughts, ideas and responses to what you are seeing around you right now
- See and sense into the bigger story that is unfolding around us by seeing the world through each others' eyes.... and be able therefore to see more clearly your own part
- Allow yourself to be stimulated, and challenged, by the experience, wisdom and struggles of fellow leaders facing similar issues in very different contexts
- Share ideas and insights for how to nurture and mobilise your teams in these times
- Test and grow your own confidence in your own deeper instincts and judgement
- Return to your own organisations to start some new or different conversation