



FAITH FOR EARTH



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INITIATIVE

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The Job

MORE PROJECTS WITH REAL ACTIONABLE OUTCOMES THAT GETS THE JOB DONE .

Good **VERB** Clear **SUBJECT** Strong **Action** Relevant **OUTCOME**

To Convert Every Agenda Point Into an Objective

The reason for meeting.
Connect to purpose and Intent.
Get the job done.

The Executive Summary

UNEP FaithforEarth: Collaborates with stakeholders to make projects happen for people and planet.

- Is **the platform** (a real place and a digital space) where ideas are generated in a consultative and contribution focused manner with shared actionable outcomes in mind.
- UNEP Faith for Eath Initiative, is **the space/place** global UN Organisations with scientific knowhow and knowledge meet with Faith Based Organisations who are present on a local level with their local prioritiers in their local areas.
- **The organiser of a conference** where money and the intention of those investments is brought into the room to collaborate with those with a scientific knowledge of global perspectives and those organisations representing local needs together with the Faithbased organisations willingness to provide their advice,outreach and presence to all corners of the world.
- **The implentation engine for the Zug Guidelines.** Provide the governance framework for how the global faith based communities can support innovative projects by optimising innovations for local communitu activation and implementation.
- **The knowledge and implementation on the ground**, the link to the UN (UNEP, UNDP, FAO etc), the relationship with Faithbased organisations (FaithforEarth Intiative) for global implementation and by bringing investors into the room (FaithInvest, Faith aligned investors, Caritas, World Bank, Slow/Impact Capital) a local and global platform for implementation is created that transforms the SDGs into actionable outcomes with real impact for people and planet.

7B Deliverables

- The objective and purpose was to visualise how important a role Faithbased organisations have to play in the discussion of the environment and the creation of projects and program with a local sustainable impact. The role of 7B was to visualise the people and projects in the room, enable them to build linkages and partnerships and align individuals and groups (12 projects and three themes) with actionable outcomes they have created that supports the FaithfourEarth strategy and the UN SDG agenda.
- The systematic process enabled participants to build a community with capacity for transforming Sustainable Development Goals into Sustainable Development Action with outcomes meaningful for local contexts and global people/planet agendas supported by the FaithforEarth coalition. In the process stealthlearning and constructionism was used in combination with innovative learning tools such as LSP, Pecha Kucha, Actionable Outcomes, Knowledge Cafes, U-presencing Frameworks, Questions as answers that enabled contributions towards a shared goal through grounded relationship encounters.
- The intent is to enable due diligence of the faith consistent investments - the characteristics of these projects - to be transformed into a pipeline and pitched as projects for investors with a qualifier/quantifier that each religion wants.
- To create a purposeful collaborative conference with UNEP that connect Faithinvest with bankable projects that enables the pooling of faith based capital towards a large scale project consortium in a particular country that can be seeded with investments from the Green Fund.

The 7B Magic

- Innovation for scalable impact is fraught with challenges.
- The strategies and dynamics of scaling innovation impact, includes a challenge that is co-created through public engagement, contextually embedded, driven by lead-user relationships with a shared goal in common.
- Human beings connect and unite around a shared societal challenge of caring for their common home.
- Tackling shared challenges humanity is facing cannot be done sitting in a silo, leaning back.
- A participatory process fosters reconciliation, bridge building and contribution in grounded relationship encounters.
- These grounded encounters allow for shared solutions to emerge from within the room and embed outcomes in local contexts.
- People who play together stay together.

Faithbased Organisations

By using the non-biased neutral platform of the UN can provide to bring people together with different interests/perspectives to build actionable outcomes (UNDP/UNEP/FAO aligned) with one goal in mind.

Faith based organisations contribute to the global SDG and environmental agenda in the following way:

- Changing behaviours of the public.
- Growing people to grow sustainable projects.
- Mobilising communities to enable projects as integrated local initiatives
- Understanding Local Needs and Communities.
- Regreening large areas of their own lands.
- Drive value with values (heart and mind connected)
- Facilitating the growth of a platform and a community for investors that supplies fundable projects to the investment community of faith- and faith aligned investor networks..

Delegate Feedback

■ Very Satisfied
 ■ Satisfied
 ■ Dissatisfied
 ■ Very Dissatisfied
 ■ N/A

	VERY SATISFIED	SATISFIED	DISSATISFIED	VERY DISSATISFIED	N/A	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Facilitation and Moderation of the Sessions	63.64% 14	31.82% 7	0.00% 0	4.55% 1	0.00% 0	22	1.45
Time allocated for discussions	36.36% 8	50.00% 11	13.64% 3	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	22	1.77
Participants Opinions Heard and Taken into Consideration	66.67% 14	33.33% 7	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	21	1.33
Participant Contributions Integrated Into Projects	63.64% 14	36.36% 8	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	22	1.36
Linkages and Partnerships Created	59.09% 13	40.91% 9	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	22	1.41
Food and Beverages	40.91% 9	50.00% 11	9.09% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	22	1.68

The Methodology Overview

Anatomy of a Good Meeting.

Build alone view. Share. Talk.

- Auditory. Visual. Kinaesthetic.
- Understand thoughts and feelings of others.

Build shared view. Together. Listen.

- Create mutual understanding on topics of common interest.

Build systems View. Link. Collaborate.

- Understand and build linkages, focus, dynamism, impacts and emergence in systems.

COMFORT ZONE

- Feel safe and in control.

FEAR ZONE

- Lack-Confidence.
- Find Excuses.
- Affected by opinions.
- Exclusive.

LEARNING ZONE

- Extend comfort zone.
- Acquire new skills.
- Deal with challenges and opportunities.
- See new perspectives.

GROWTH ZONE

- Find common purpose.
- Build aspirations.
- Set shared goals.
- Collaboratively conquer objectives.

OUTCOME ZONE

- Success requires all voices.
- Care of the emotions and perspectives of others.
- Authentic group wide participation and contribution.

Establish
Objectives

Develop
Questions

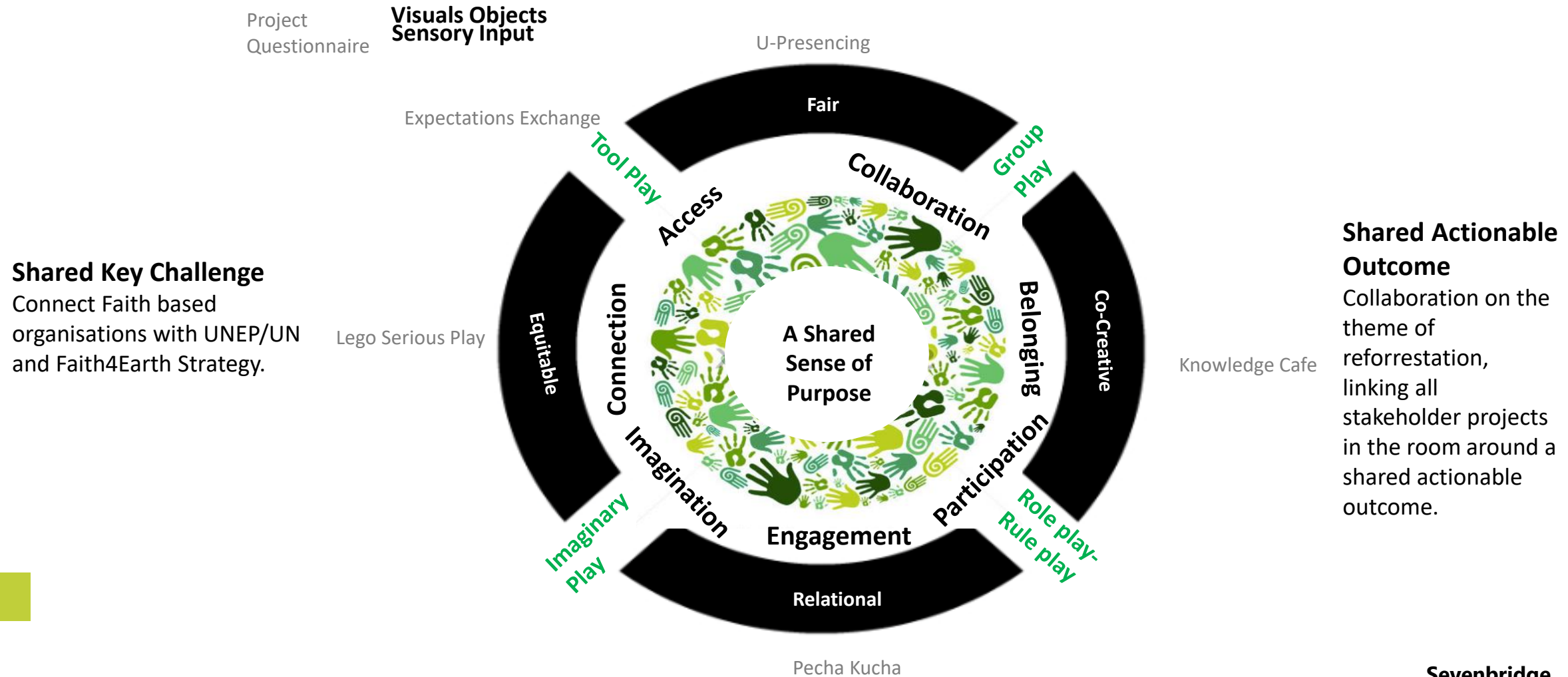
Pose
Challenge

Build

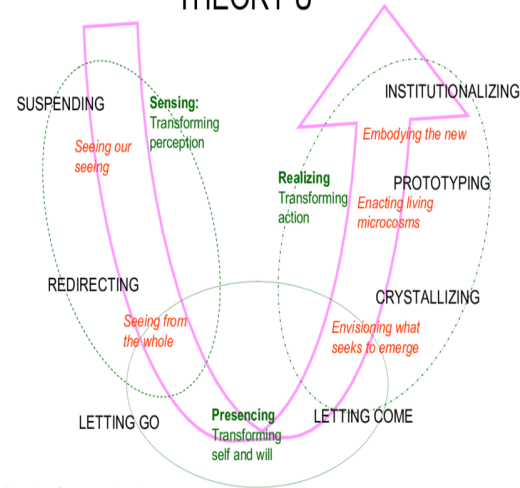
Share

Contribute
& Reflect

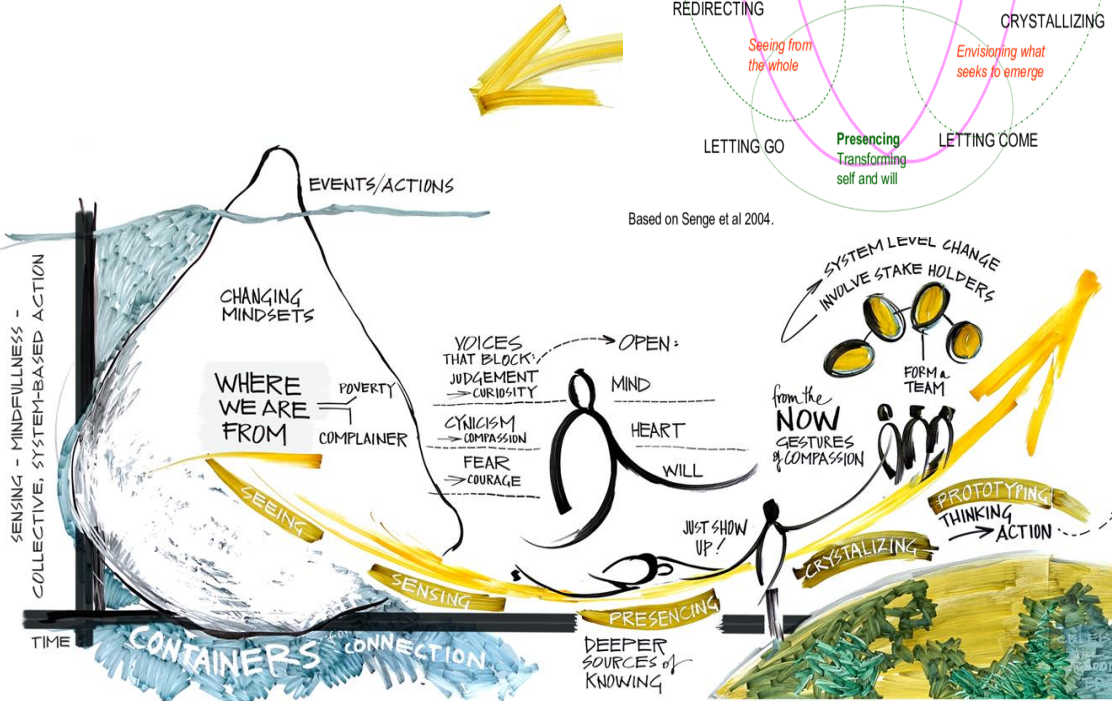
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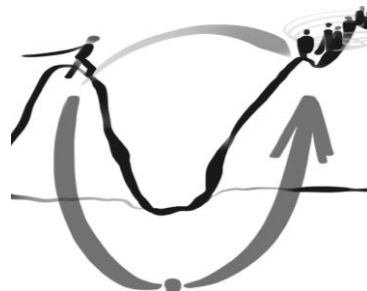
THEORY U



Based on Senge et al 2004.



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U-presencing

1

I- Introductions: We introduced ourselves by building models, told our story, listened to other's stories and reflected and connected with what was said.

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WE- relationships: We used our models to introduce ourselves others with the purpose of forming groups around shared goals and actionable outcomes. We talked, listened and shared with others.

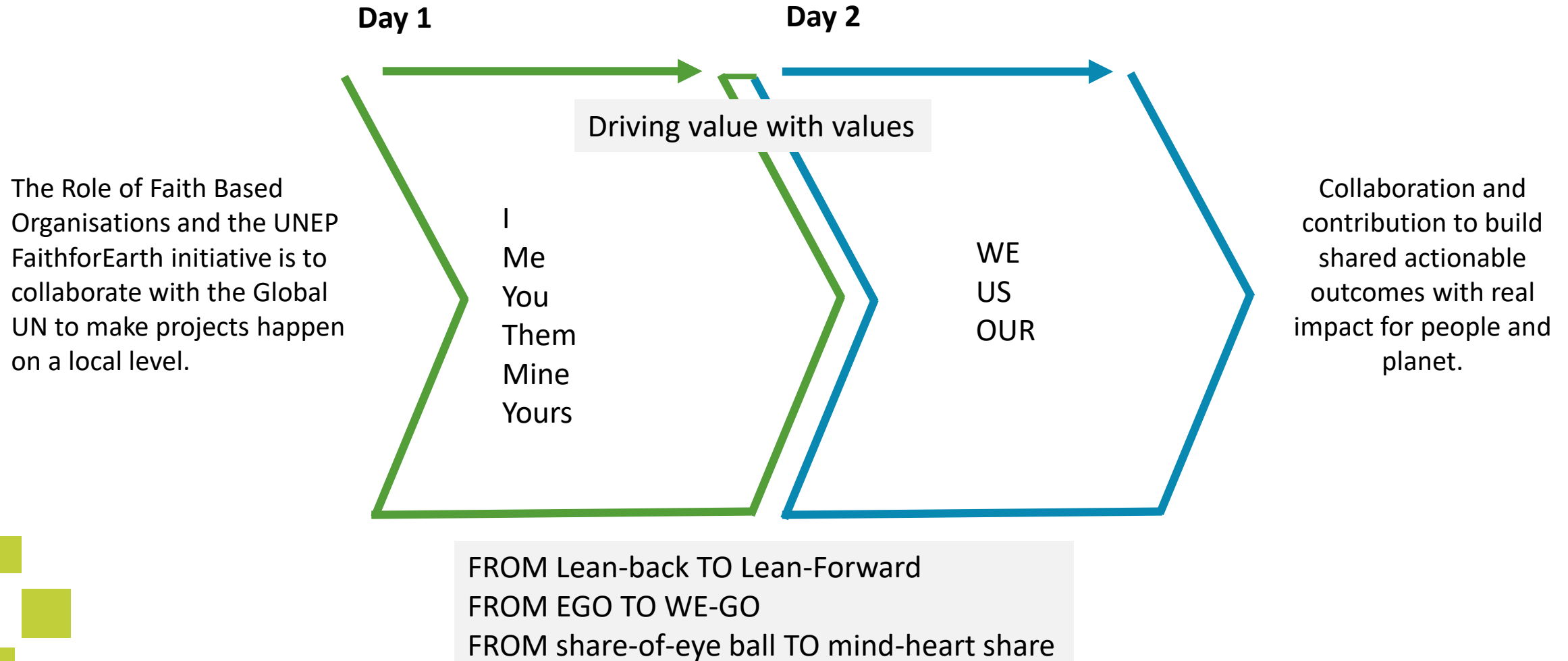
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US- collaboration: We integrated individual projects and groups into a larger collaborative programs to build transformative systems change supporting the Faith for Earth strategy and initiative. We built a community.

U-presencing

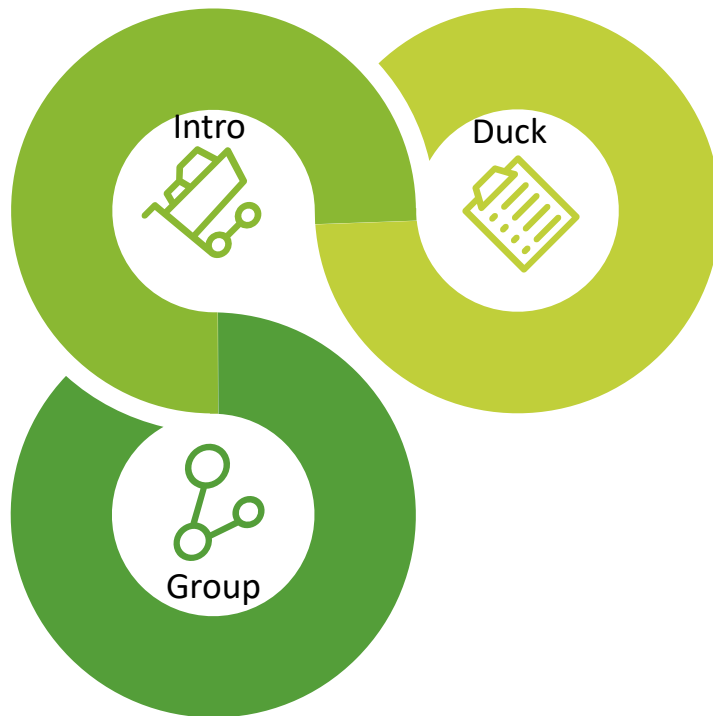
Faith4Earth
Community

Building Contributions



The Positioning

(delegates/projects)



1. The Duck Exercise - How can I see and connect with who is in the room?

2. The Introductions – How can I build linkages and connections with others in the room with whom I share the same questions and challenges with an intent of collaboratively building actionable outcomes?

3. Making Connections & Forming Group Projects

The Duck Exercise

Build a Duck.

Give the Duck a Name.

Use Duck to talk about me at work.

Use Duck to build relationships.

Pose a Question.

Construct.

Describe.

Share. Listen. Take Turns.

Reflect. Connect.


The **LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY®** Method


Gives all a voice and a shared language.

I-Introductions: We started out by positioning ourselves on the map so others could see us, but in our own silos. A linguistic frame is created.



The Projects

 Youth & Women

 Governance & Policy

 Growing people to Grow Trees

Youth and Women

Future Projects

Governance and Policy

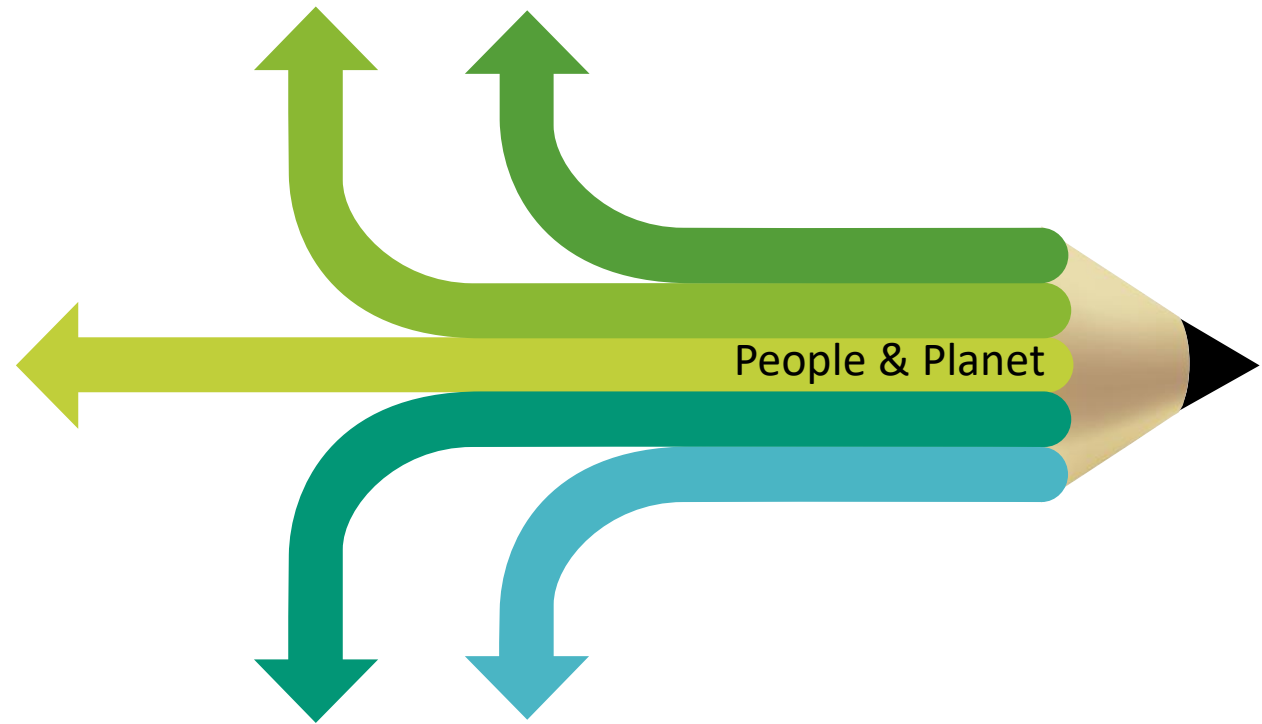
The Collaborative

- ❑ A workshop is a way for people in a community to meet, learn, collaboratively solve challenges and get a job done – TOGETHER.
- ❑ That job does not stop when people leave the workshop, it continues in shared working groups and project groups driven by LINKAGES AND CONNECTIONS.
- ❑ What ever is contributed and co-created in a collaborative workshop needs to be harvested and curated and – CO-OWNED
- ❑ Tools, technology, processes and approaches for collaboration enable grounded relationship encounters to continue- BUILDING ON EXISTING RELATIONSHIPS.
- ❑ A contribution led event focuses on co-creating SHARED ACTIONABLE OUTCOMES NOT JUST OUTPUT.

Next Steps

Create a conference that brings all the stakeholders together in one room.

- FBOs does not know how to embed themselves in UNEP.
- They face challenges when they wish to connect with UNEP and Faith4Earth is the bridge builder between faith based organisations, UNEP and other parts of UN (UNDP, FAO etc)
- FaithInvest should join this challenge to raise awareness of faith consistent impact investing within UN.
- The Scaling of Faith4Earth to include other faith based organisations as well as the financial stakeholder community that represents project funding.



Stories . . .

...speak for
themselves.

OUTPUT WITH ACTIONABLE OUTCOMES

- 43 Organisations aligned with the strategy of the Faith4Earth Initiative.
- 33 Questionnaires outlining projects supporting the Faith4Earth initiative
- 56 Expectations Exchanges.
- 43 Identity Models (Ducks) aligned to Faith4Earth.
- 43 Individual Presentations into the forum allowing for identification of who is in the room.
- + 4 New Projects co-created in the Room as a result of alignment of individual presentations with shared actionable outcomes.
- 8+ 4 Pecha Kucha Presentations of projects aligned to Faith4Earth.
- 1 Project aligning all in the room.
- 32 Individual Pledges
- An emergent interactive Faith4Earth Community
- Challenges and opportunities (benefits) identified for Faith Based- and Faith Aligned organisations to connect with UN Organisations and the Private sector.
- 5 trees (five continents) planted at the Siik Temple in marking the successful outcome of the workshop and its commitment to actionable outcomes.
- An active Whatsapp community.
- 22 forms with positive feedback with suggestions on how to bring this initiative forward with clear next steps.
- Actions outlined by members and next steps taken.



THANKYOU

wonderful serenity has taken possession