

## Session 12

Thierry Bonetto:

### **“Why business experimentation fails in executive programs?”**

I have tried for many years to leverage action learning in HiPos/ Executives programs, in a way that brings value to participants and to the company. But it has rarely worked as effectively as I would have expected... I intend to share some lessons from experience & draw a possible list of critical success factors, also asking for complements, insights & contributions....”

Marischa van Zantvoort and Alasdair Philip

**We will talk about what it means to 'transform' as a business interventionist versus 'change'. From there we will move into 'how' we do that working with our clients.**

Wyn Owen

### **Leading Change: Leadership lessons from unexpected quarters**

A gallop through some principles of change leadership; exploring and considering what might be learnt from a broad sweep of sources ranging from ancient Chinese military strategy, through formula one motorsport, children’s toys, and nature – all the way to science fiction.

Bennie Anderson:

### **How we co-created cooperative engagements to enhance business performance: An African story.**

In this presentation I will share how The Da Vinci Institute engaged representatives from emerging, small, medium and large organizations (over an extended period of time) on matters related to business performance.

A **reflective generative approach** has been followed to explore aspects of critical importance to their business performance, operating within a developing socio-economic context.

As part of the onboarding process to **co-create** an understanding of **who they are, what they do** and **how they operate** as individuals and workplace entities, the following constructs were utilized:

- Integrating concrete **experience**, reflective **observation**, **conceptualization**, and **experimentation** in managing performance.
- Exploring the energy flow patterns between **agreement/disagreement** and **social interaction**, amongst employees and employers.
- Applying the principle of **interconnectedness** at work.
- Having **fun** whilst being busy with work.
- Making sense of juggling different **realities** at the same time.

Against this background more detailed questions were asked related to their **business operations**. In this regard aspects related to the **management of technology** and the **management of innovation** took priority, whilst the **management of people** and the relevance of their surrounding **eco-systems** (micro.meso.exo,macro) emerged later. Examples of questions will be presented during the session.