

#### Empowerment and entrepreneurship

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## + Who am I ?

- 55 years old
- 2 children : Jonas and Julia
- Passionnate by travels throughout the world and intercultural dialog.
- Training : engineer in tropical agriculture (UCL-1987), in development cooperation (ULB-1988) and many trainings on communication, personnal development, coaching tools and methods.
- **My passion :** to coach entrepreneurs wherever they come from and help them to base their development on their own potentials.

What makes someone moving ? »



# Passed experiences in development cooperation

- Worked in more than 20 african countries
- Launched and managed an NGO for 25 years (<u>http://www.echoscommunication.org</u>)
- Worked for 3 years in the EU in order to harmonize the relations between the EU and the Commission
- Analyzed « White elephants » and the technical cooperation (Senegal, Burkina Faso...).

« The person (or the actor) who has a hammer in his head, see nails everywhere ».

 Organized Communication campaign in order to change the image of Africa in the western media and « Harubuntu, the award for creators of hopes and wealth in Africa ».



En Kirundi, Harubuntu signife : "à cet endroit, il y a de la valeur"

Providing training « Bild your life in accordance with your self » since 6 years.

## Towards a new paradigm of development.

- From a « transfer concept to a human centered cooperation ».
- Assessing the gap and weaknessess to the potentials approach (creativity and innovation)
  - From a cooperation filling the gaps to cocreate : The 5 stages of economic growth (ROSTOW) to the concept
    of cocreation (changing the assessment methods within the donor proceedings).
  - Integrating all kind of knowledge and skills : a rooted cooperation.
  - Considering the large picture and integrating analytical methods afterwards : the Iceberg Illusion: What People See Vs What They Don't <u>https://goo.gl/images/CD46Ag</u>
    - Looking at the « Why » before the « How ».
    - Defining first the intention(s) before focusing all the energy on the tools and methods.
- Multiplying interactions between actors (even state actors) and access to communication :
  - Everyone on earth know that he/she has a value and potentials
  - Central to local cooperation (top-down and bottom-up) example of ULCGA
  - <u>https://www.uclga.org</u> and <u>http://coachingterritorial.com</u>
  - Key values : integrity/authenticity
- From ethnocentric to poly-centric cooperation : the end of the models.
  - Considering the terms of the relations : what can we do, learn, develop together ?
  - Key values : reciprocity/relativity
  - « The problem of North/South dialog is not that the South has no mouth, is that the North has no ears. »

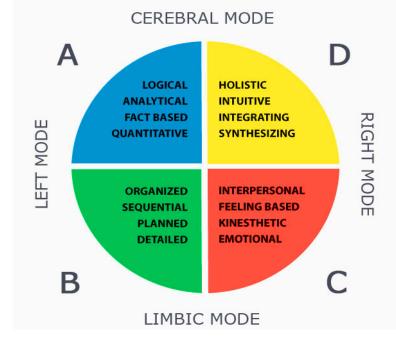
### + One book to be red :

- <u>http://www.editionslesliensquiliberent.fr/livre-Les\_Tisserands-483-1-1-0-1.html</u>
- To connect with one self.
  - Who is leading my action ? The reactiv or the constructiv part of my self ?
  - What are the values and communs that are structurating the project ?
- To connect with the other in order to create entreprises together
- To connect with Nature

« Build your life in accordance with your self » : Discover first who you are !

In concrete terms, I would recommend for you :

• Your own profile

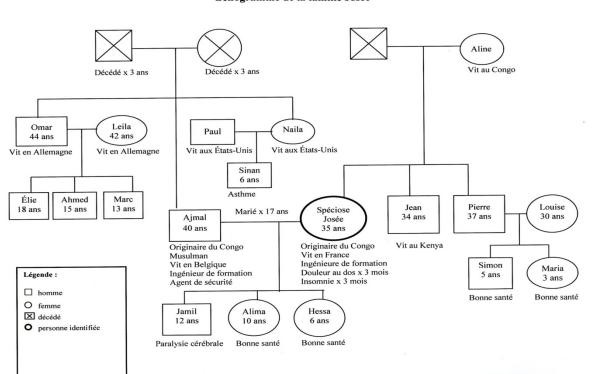


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## + An example of HBDI profile

- HBDI | Ultimate Guide | HBDI Training | FREE Resource | MBM
- https://goo.gl/images/vt3Mpa

### + Discover your own socio genogram



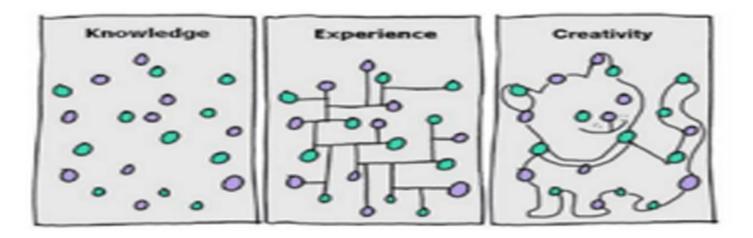
Génogramme de la famille Josée

#### + Discover your own history



#### + Main challenges of this approach

 Combining performance, techniques and norms and a diversity of african centered vision of development



 Implementing coaching (everyone has a potential to develop) and collective intelligence at local level



#### Thank you for your kind attention

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