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#### The Secret Sauce of Conflict Management

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REFLECT

RESPOND

#### Agenda

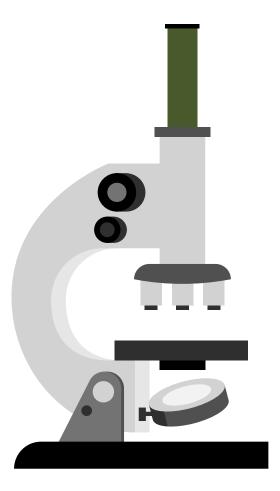
- Ingredients to managing and responding to conflict
  - Know What
  - Know Why
  - Know How
- Contact Points for support
- Resources





#### Know What

#### Know your context, your underlying needs and concerns



#### Type of conflict

#### Allocation of resources: Time, money, workforce

**Roles and function:** Unclear, not defined, not corresponding with change

**Objectives:** Conflicting, unclear, unrealistic

**Structures and processes:** Of units, of processes, of decisions, of criteria

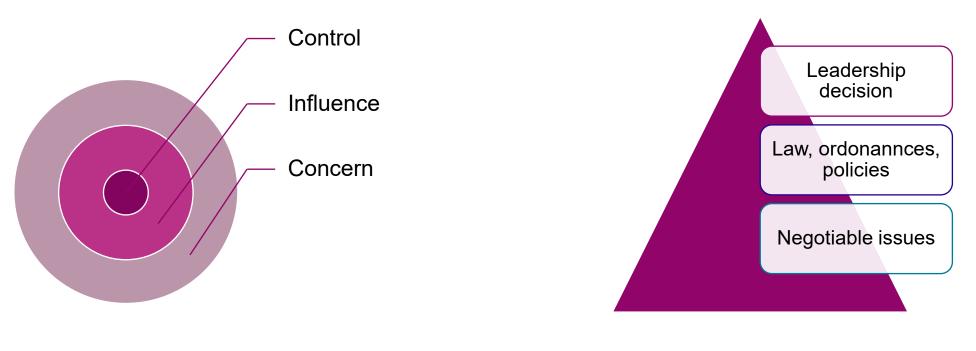
Interaction: Communication, behaviour



#### Understand the situation

**Circle of Control / Influence / Concern** 

Level of conflict resolution



Ury 2016

Covey 2005

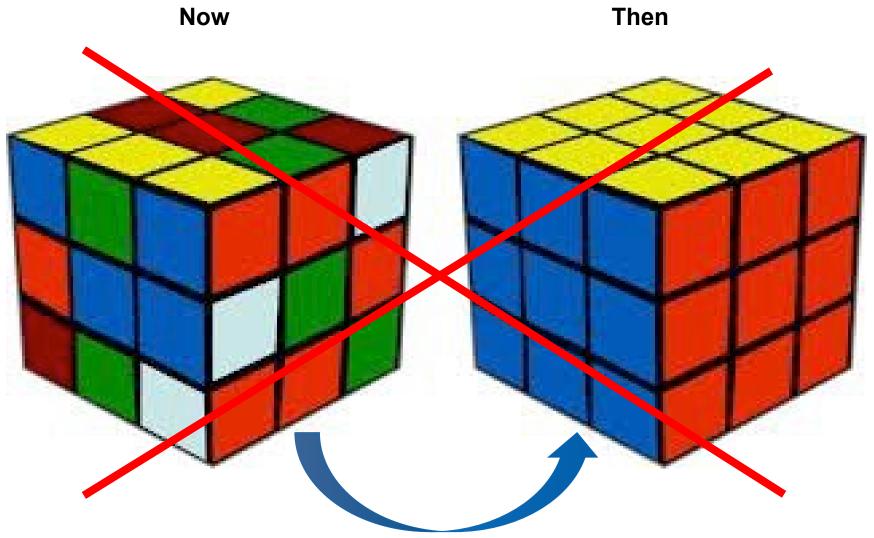
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Clarity gives you the direction how to proceed

- Lose-lose
- Win-lose
- Compromise
- Win-win



Realistic goal setting – considering partial, provisional, phases

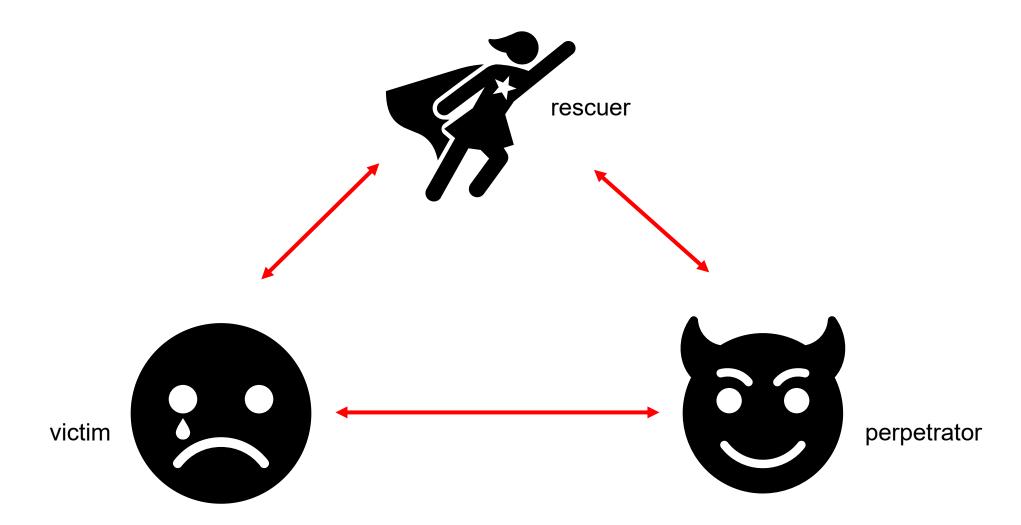






### Know Why

Drivers for escalation: Blaming, shaming, demonizing, coalitions,...



Hostage of conflict dynamics - reaction on dynamics instead of action for needs feeling controlled by others, powerless, suffering







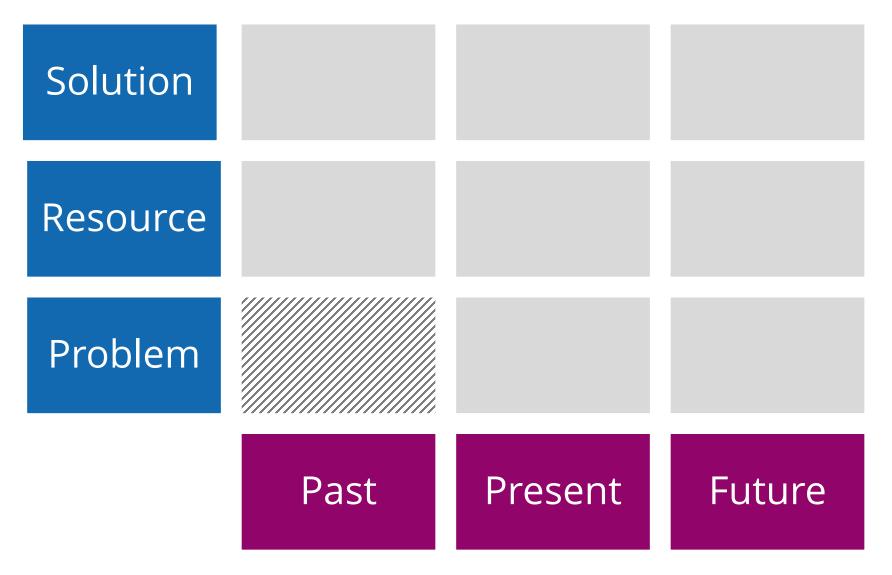
#### Know How

## More than one perspective – importance of asking questions and talking about needs





Pick (any) structured approach to reflect, discuss, resolve





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Rieforth, Kuhlmann 2004

Get support in reflecting, preparing, managing conflict

Support when faced with inappropriate behaviour or conflict – Staffnet | ETH Zurich

ETH Zurich counselling and support points



#### Internal

Respect Office Clarification Office Students' Counselling & Coaching Centre

Threat and security management



#### External

Ombuds Reporting Office

Institute of Applied Psychology (IAP) – for employees



#### **University groups**

VSETH Student Helpdesk AVETH Counselling Staff Commission for technical and administrative staff ETH Zurich counselling and support points (continued)



#### **Departmental contact points**

D-CHAB: Counseling Helpdesk D-EAPS: VAME Help!desk D-GESS: Help!Point D-HEST: Trusted Intermediary D-HEST D-MATH: help@D-MATH D-USYS: USYS Helpdesk

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#### **Co-funded services**

Nightline Psychological Counselling Service



#### ETH Zurich enabling anonymous reporting



**Organizational development** 

Statistics, but no case management



#### Whistleblowing Inappropritate Behaviour

Case management if allegations are reasonably substantiated



https://ethz.ch/staffnet/en/employment-and-work/consulting-andcoaching/support-inappropriate-behaviour-or-conflict.html

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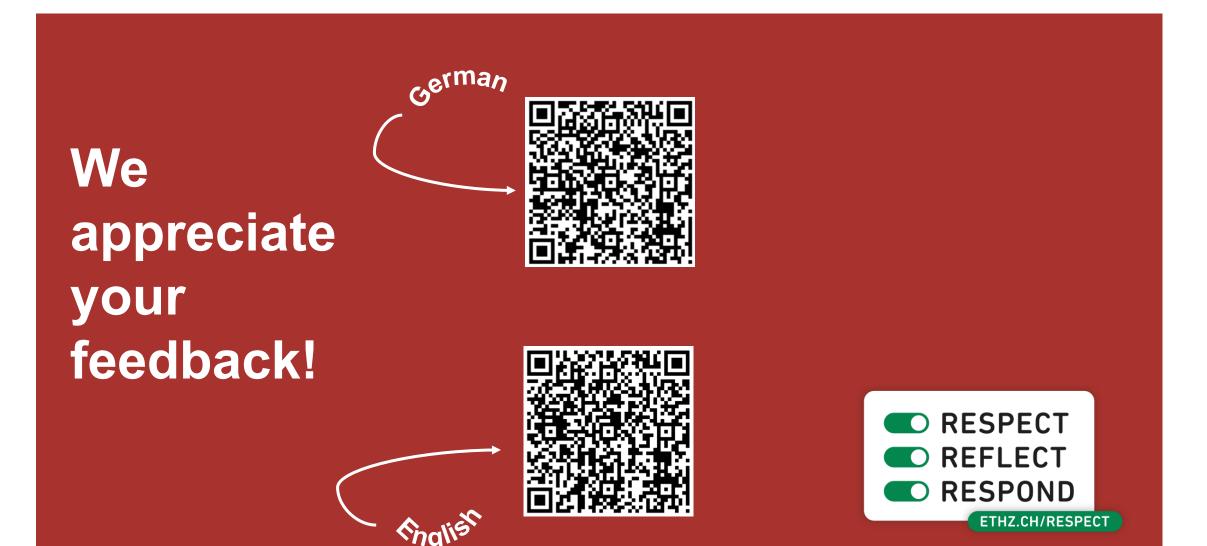
Live events, e-learnings, tips & tools and more:







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