# EXECUTIVE COACHING: FILLING DEMANDING ROLES





## **Executive Summary**

- A head of IT in a high-profile European bank faced: his department was being restructured and was struggling to cope with the simultaneous integration of many different task-sets and new employees.
- High expectations since his particular department had been set up as the role- model for company-wide IT organisation

#### Results

- → The client was able to implement a clear plan for his working life and significantly reduce the number of decisions made "off the cuff".
- → He enjoyed being back in control of his time and priorities as well as an improved work-life balance.
- → Minimised stress and increased efficiency throughout the department, all thanks to improved transparency of his actions.

## **Challenges**

- → Find a new balance between leadership and delegation.
- → Department of 80 team members needed to be managed rather differently to the departments he had led in the past.
- → Lacked methods and know-how to implement change both personally and socially

# LEADERSHIP: ORGANIZATION OF UNIVERSITIES





#### **Executive Summary**

- ★ A German prime-league university reorganized its ITlandscape where more than 400 institutes worked with insular IT-solutions and unclear user-rights.
- By changing the organisation, collaboration initiatives among the institutes have developed and cost-savings are significant.

## **Challenges**

- German University culture is characterized by autonomous institutes developing in an insular way.
- → Academics and staff are not used to define tasks and roles beyond their unit.
- → Redefining the project from "find an ITsolution" to "organization of the university"

#### **Results**

- → Transparency on services provided, roles and responsibilities of institutes and functions
- → Easier on-boarding of new staff
- → Personalized IT- roles according to tasks
- → Higher reliability of data
- → More time for core spectrum research and education
- **→** Budgetary savings through centralized purchases

## EXECUTIVE COACHING: BOARD ROOM DECISION MAKING





#### **Executive Summary**

- A board member of a leading financial services corporation faced high employee turnover and a divided board. Out of ten proposals presented to the Board of Directors, only one would be approved.
- In three phases leadership assessment, goal setting and implementation of a roadmap a contentious process regarding personnel decisions was introduced.

#### Results

- → Cooperation: Seven out of ten unanimous approvals of proposals by the Board of Directors. Products with an annual turnover amounting to tens of millions went to market much sooner.
- → Career: The executive was asked to take on additional board responsibilities.
- → Team Productivity: Within 6 months, our client had reorganised his team and improved their productivity by 15%.
- → Staff Turnover: The number of dismissals and transfer requests declined within a year to 10% below the firm's average.
- → Reputation: In a 360° evaluation, the board member received much better feedback than the year before

### **Challenges**

- → High employee turnover, lack of motivation, communication and delegation difficulties.
- → Underlying conflicts between board members were making working relationships very difficult.
- → The expectations of our client and those of his employees were different.