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Stakeholder Analysis for Communication

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The Case for Putting Communication at the Center (C@C)

The Problem

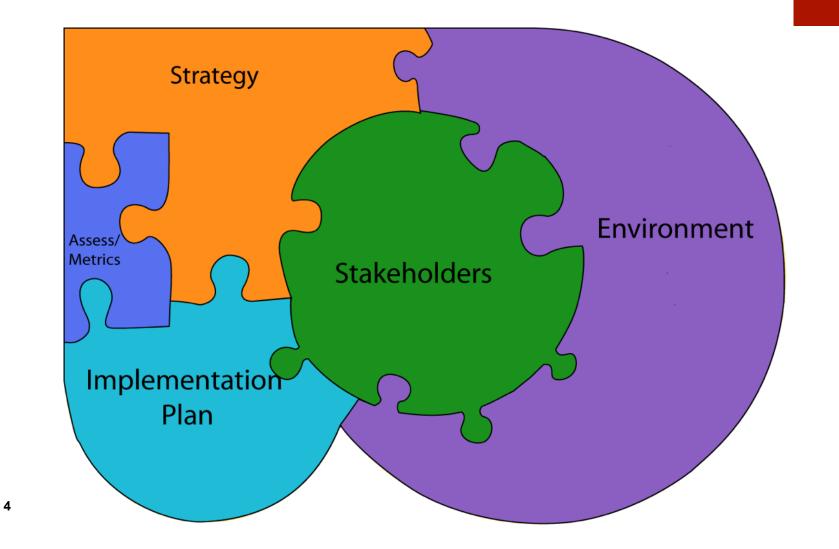
The world is changing fast and becoming hyper-connected but most groups, organizations or governments are not designed for excellent communication and most leaders and members are not excellent communicators. *Riley & Eisenberg, 2011*

Communication Philosophy

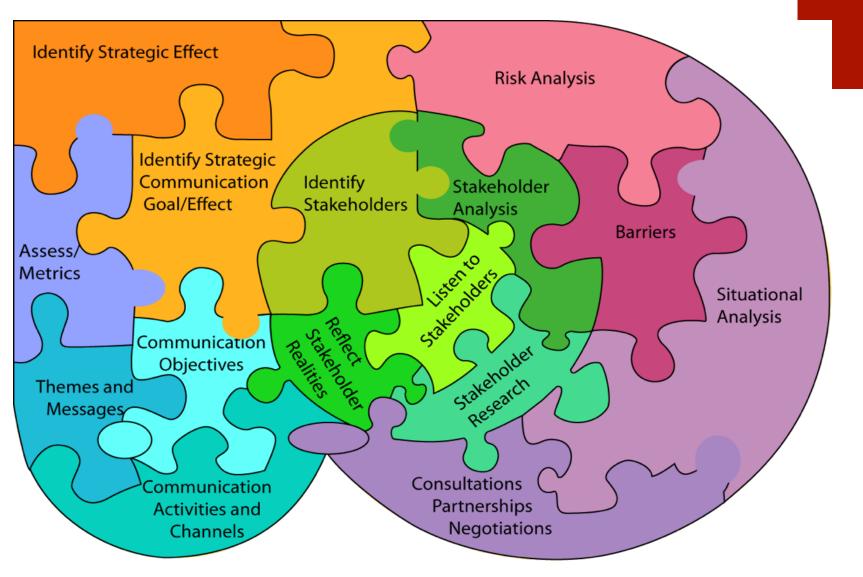
- C@C Philosophy
 Change requires a multifaceted approach that looks at communication issues across the environment
- Need to leverage communication in all areas for best results

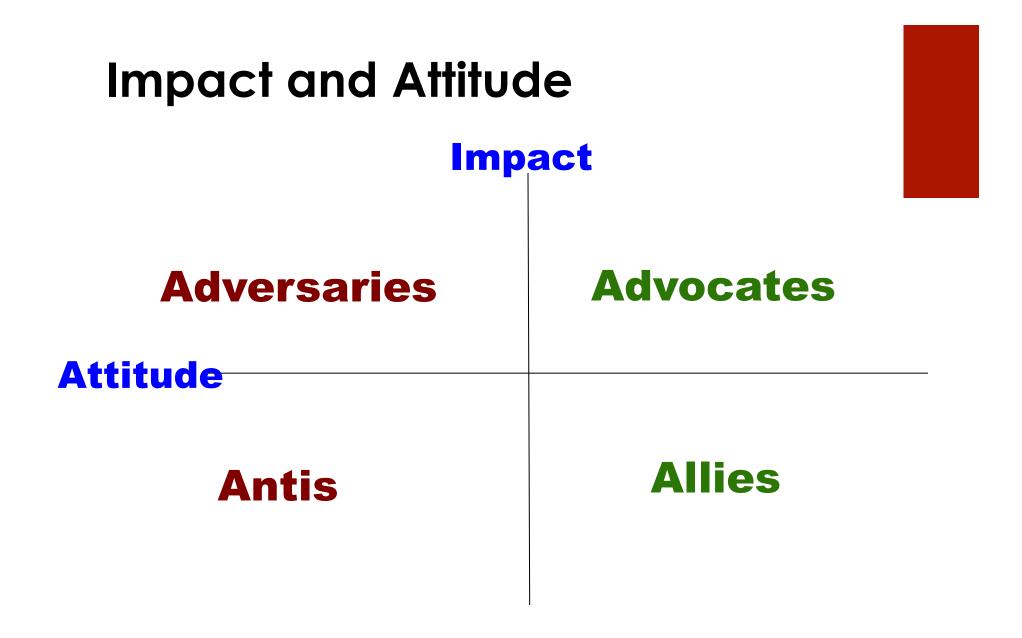


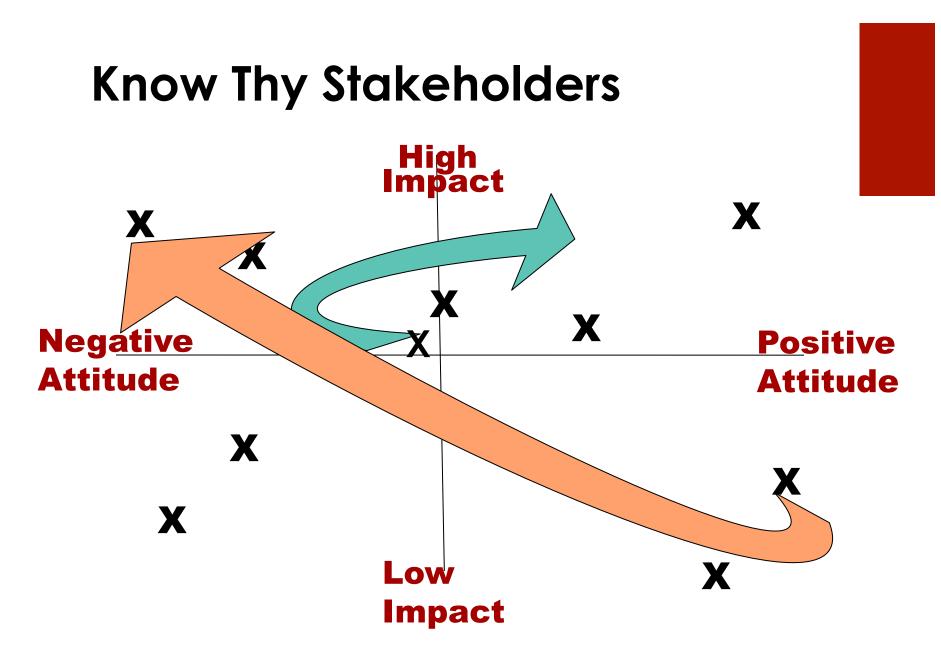
Communicating Strategically



SC Process Elements

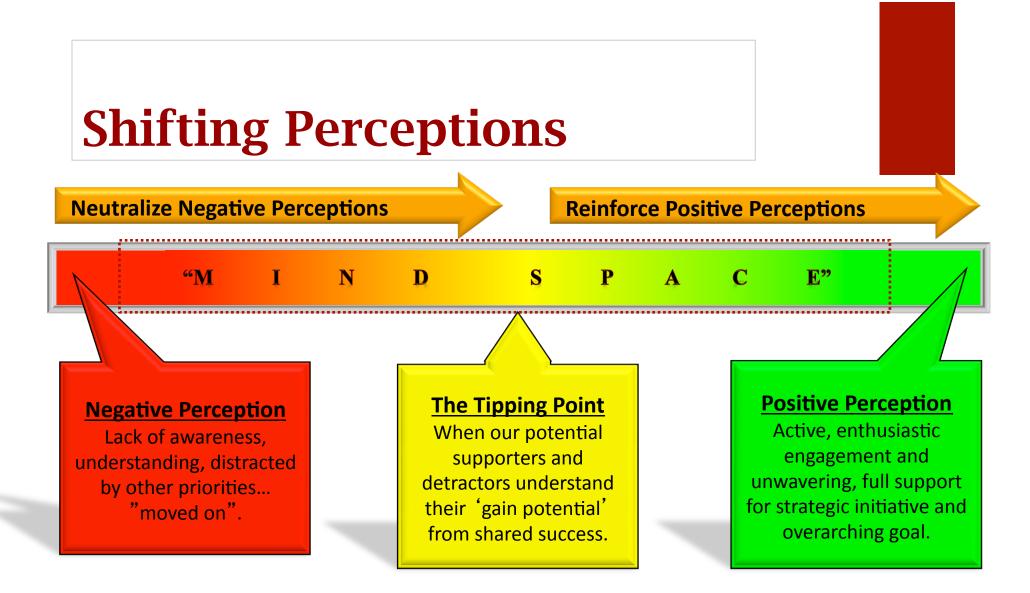






Questions to Ask

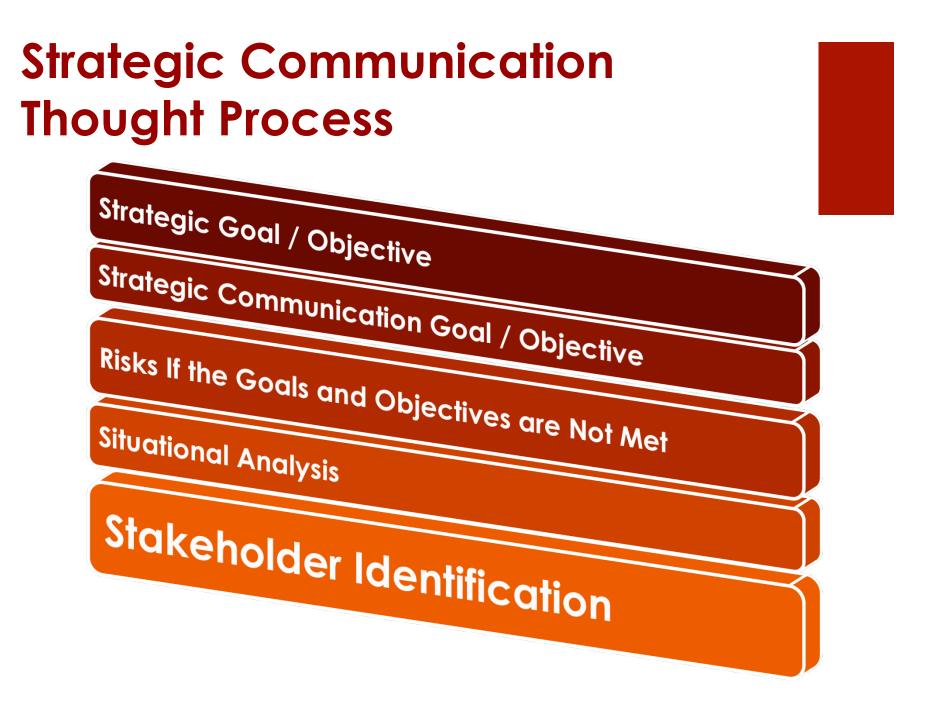
- Are we maximizing our desired effects with a communication strategy and associated communication planning process?
- ☑ Have we identified and analyzed our key stakeholders? What data support this? What are the historical relationship? How might these impact the achievement of our communication goals?
- ☑ How will we communicate/engage with internal and external stakeholders to achieve our desired effects?
- What messages do our actions convey? How might various stakeholders interpret our actions? What effect or unintended effects might this action have?



Reach the "TIPPING POINT"

Link Stakeholder Outcomes to

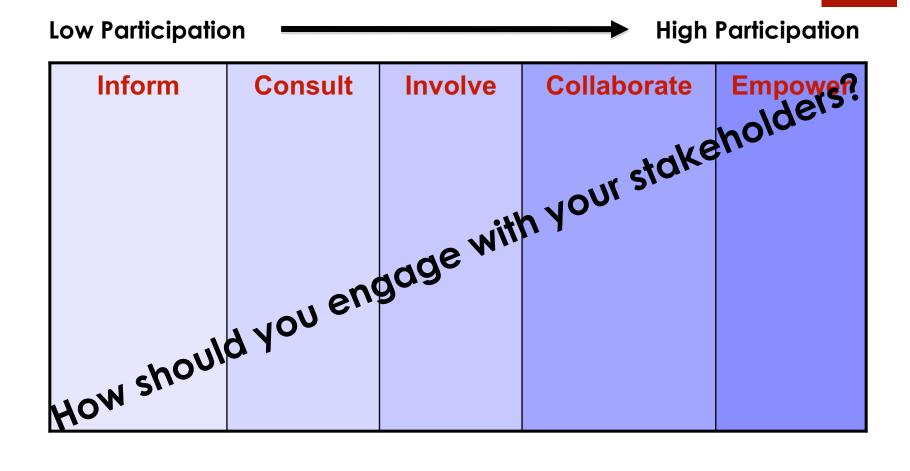
Stakeholders	Desired Outcome (think, do, say)	Measure of Effectiveness	Level of Participation	Comm Activity	Output Measure
External SH					
MA Network					
Intra-org					

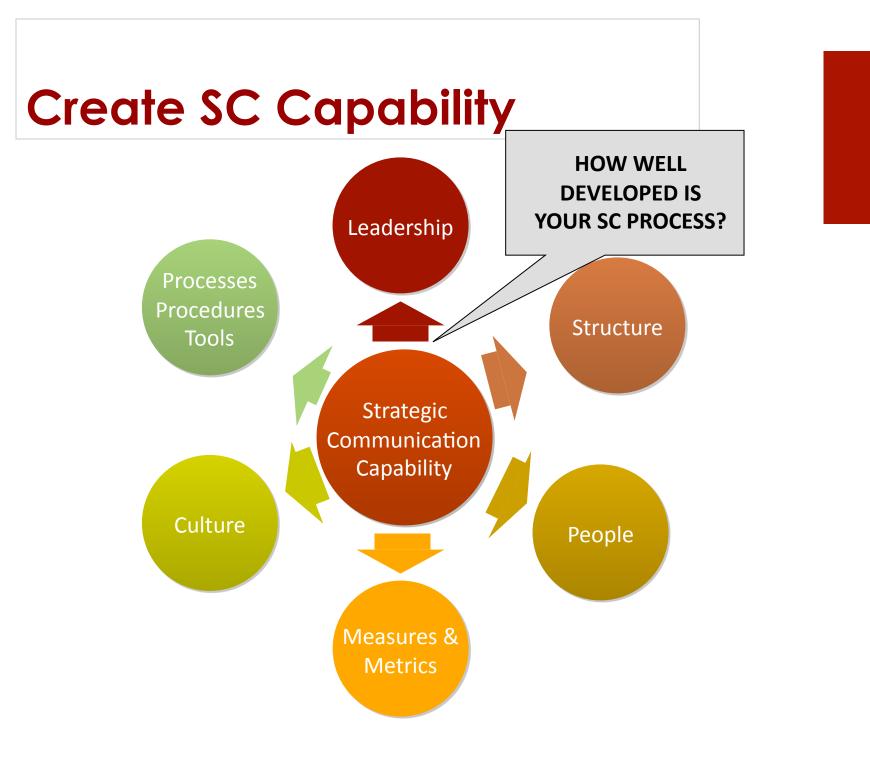


Strategic Communication Analytical Process









Recommendations for Achieving the Ideal SC Capability

LEVERS	RECOMMENDATIONS (short term and long term)
Role of Leadership	
Structure	
People	
Culture	
Process, procedures, tools	
Metrics	