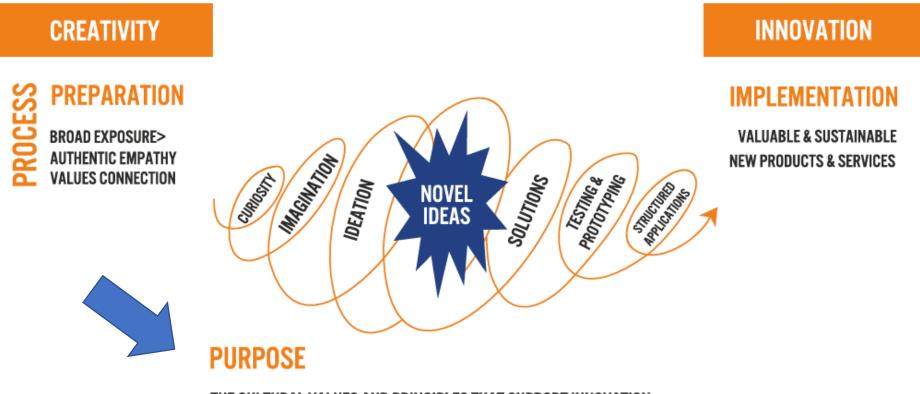
# INNOVATIVE ORGANIZATION LEARNING SOLUTIONS

iCi and iCLi Assessments



### Preparing a culture for innovation

It is important to understand current cultural values and principles to assess individual and organization readiness for innovation:



THE CULTURAL VALUES AND PRINCIPLES THAT SUPPORT INNOVATION



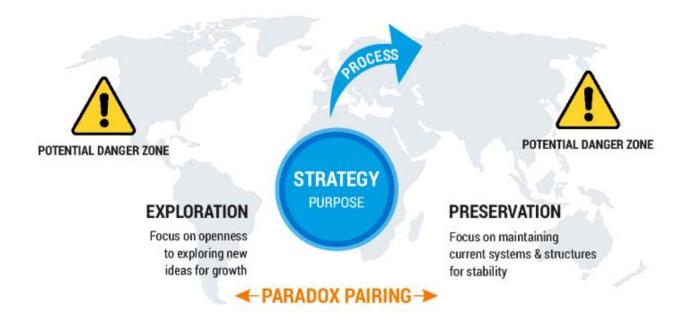
The latest research has revealed that there are two key paradoxical cultural principles required for innovative growth, and when these principles are effectively balanced it is possible to innovate more effectively:



EXPLORATION Ideation focus PRESERVATION Practical solution focus



To reach innovation outcomes, there'll be times when ideation is needed, while at other times commitment to follow-through and implementation will be needed. Smart organisations that aim for sustainability should be able to embody these apparently opposing concepts simultaneously.





# The critical factors for sustainable growth

#### **SUSTAINABLE GROWTH**

The successful management of the 4 innovation paradoxes ensures that there are the best opportunities for innovative growth:

EXPLORATION Ideation focus

#### FREEDOM The ability to think freely for ideation

PRESERVATION Practical solution focus

**CONTROL** The ability to work within guidelines for idea selection

OPENNESS The ability to be open to diversity and connecting ideas. FOCUS The ability to focus on solutions

GROUP ENGAGEMENT The ability build on collaborative concepts.

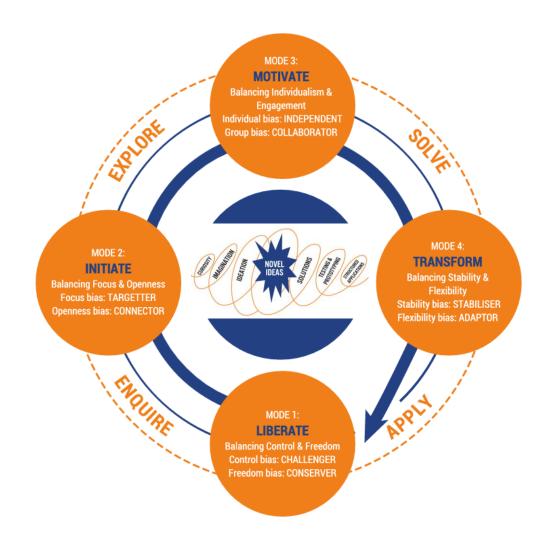
applications

FLEXIBILITY Exploring different potential INDEPENDENCE Individual drive and passion to push through to practical outcomes

STABILITY Testing and prototyping to narrow down to the best implementation



### Links to each stage of the innovation process





## About the assessments

Key recommended diagnostic tools:

- 1. Innovation Climate Index (iCi) Organizational Report
- 2. Innovative Change Leader Inventory (iCLi): Personal Profile

Validated assessments based on research into how to identify alignment in leaders and cultures, and how leaders can lead for innovation and effective change management. The assessments measure the innovation climate in an organization (iCi), along with individual innovation biases (iCLi). The iCi is also a valuable model for understanding where there are different cultural perspectives to allow for dialogue to create shared understandings.

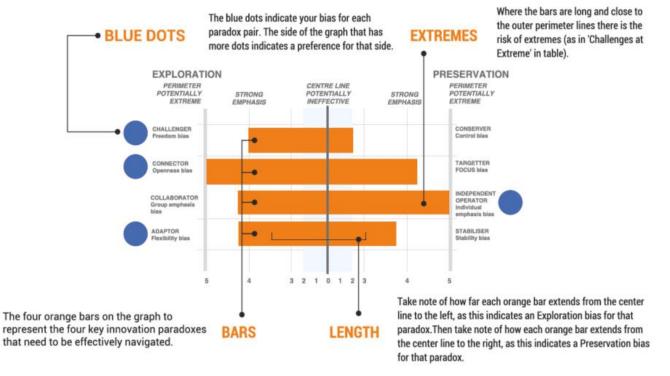
These assessments enable the opportunity to identify potential gaps and opportunities and improve current systems. It is then possible to come up with new strategies and / or structures for internal implementation.

Check your leaders & organizations preparedness for innovation



### About the profiles

The reports produced indicate strengths and opportunities for potential development. They enable a dynamic proactive approach to innovation development:



SAMPLE GRAPH 1: Exploration Bias

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The principles behind this approach are explored in the breakthrough new book:



#### The Innovation Race:

How to change a culture to change the game 4 culture change actions to navigate the key innovation paradoxes – using the polar positioning technique.

> "Read this book before it's too late" Margaret Heffernan, Author, BBC TV producer, CEO & entrepreneur

"An engrossing journey that gathers insights from the fields of economics, anthropology, ethics and psychology." **Peter Martin, Economics Editor, The Age** 

