

Creating Collaborative Leaders

Thursday 27th October, 9am – 5pm

A **specialist facilitator workshop** designed to deepen your personal knowledge and practice of **collaborative leadership**. And to **equip you to take this knowledge to your own colleagues**, clients and communities, to help create collaborative leaders and teams.



We are all in agreement then.

When: Arrive from 8.30, start 9 am sharp – 5pm.

Where: Lecture Room 1, St Francis College, 233 Milton Rd (entrance also on Baroona Rd), Milton Brisbane.

Cost: \$275

Register online: www.trybooking.com/MZPI

Contact:

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- For details about the online platform, or the *Creating Collaborative Leaders* program contact: Dr Neil Preston, Psyopus: neilpreston@psyopus.com.au

For an introductory video to the *Creating Collaborative Leaders* program see:

- www.youtube.com/watch?v=KNuQD5oJbwU&feature=youtu.be

Anyone is welcome to take part.

Presented by Dr Neil Preston

Hosted by the Social Responsibilities Committee

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Detailed Description

There is a growing recognition across business, government and civil society about the need to change the way we work and live to deal with our ever increasing "complexity." Complex problems need collaboratively mature leaders and teams to solve them. What are complex problems? Why do we need to collaborate? How do we collaborate maturely?

While compliance, competition and cooperation have regularly been adopted as ways of solving tough problems, this unique program explores what it takes to understand and use the psychology of collaborative maturity and leadership.

This material draws upon the most recent theory and practice in the area of complexity sciences and collaboration. Unlike any others, it *also* looks to contemporary research in organisational psychology, sociology, philosophy, anthropology, nonviolent spirituality and project management to provide insights that are unique to this program.



What will it provide for participants?

Firstly, it provides an exciting and unique opportunity for personal and professional development, unlike any currently on offer in Australia.

Secondly, it will equip participants with the tools and know how to take this material into your own communities, to share it and apply it in ways that best suits your own situation.

Who should do this workshop?

Ideally this workshop is aimed at those who may have already undertaken a day on collaborative leadership and now wish to be able to facilitate and use this content in their own work teams and communities.

However, anyone would benefit from this course:

- who wants to deepen their own self-knowledge and practice, or
- who want to build this knowledge and collaborative capacity and in their own community or team.

How will the workshop run?

In **advance** of the workshop, participants will be given access to a full online platform - the *Creating Collaborative Leaders* created by Dr Neil Preston. This is over 4.5 hours of quality content designed for learning and reflection.

Creating Collaborative Leaders - Workshop

Participants will be asked to watch the core modules from the online platform ahead of the workshop.

On the day, the workshop will be an opportunity to ask questions about the material, and to *deepen your own self knowledge and understanding* of the content. It will also be primarily focussed on how you would go about using and sharing this material with others.

About the online Program – self curated leadership formation

This is an online leadership formation program on creating collaborative leaders. It is based on a *co-facilitation model* where "students" enrolled in the program can use it to 'curate their own course' and present the sessions of their choice to co-workers, colleagues or clients.

Each student can familiarize themselves with the material and then choose which sessions in each module they want to present to a group of co-worker, colleagues or community members to discuss the aspects and implications of the material in their organisation. Each session has a video presentation, downloadable handout and relevant reading material. The purpose is to examine the conditions necessary to know we are collaborating with others through five major modules:

1. **Know your problem** – why collaboration is commensurate to complexity
2. **Know yourself** – why heartfulness and not just mindfulness matters in psychological growth and self-knowledge
3. **Know the other** – introducing transpersonal psychology and improving emotional intelligence
4. **Price and gift of collaboration** – what needs to die in us in order to be great collaborators
5. **Emergent Design Practices** – the how of implementing practices that tackle emergence and complexity

About the Presenter

For the past 18 years Dr Neil Preston has provided highly specialised consulting services to both public and private sector organisations. With a blend of experience and strong foundational training in organisational psychology, he explores how people interact with each other in such a way that enables or disables peak performance. In recent years, Neil has been involved in the procurement and development of over 2 billion dollars worth of relationship contracts in Western Australia. His area of interest and practice operates within emergent design, complex systems and transpersonal psychology.

These disciplines examine how people create collaboratively mature working environments and deliver complex projects. Neil has published over 30 international peer reviewed papers and has also developed a team diagnostic and developmental tool: *The Team Synergy Scale*, a unique psychometric instrument that measures peak performance and the tightness of agreement or *synergy* between team members.