

Promoting gender equality, advancing the economy

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Good intentions, imperfect execution?

Breaking out of our traditional mindsets
to build gender-balance into our organisations



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#### **KEYNOTE**

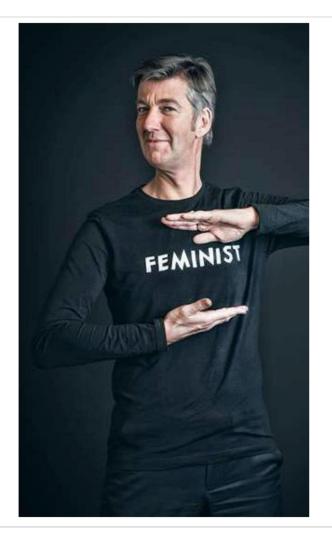


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4 ballads

...and some personal wisdom

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#### The Ballad of Catherine

- Ask... you might be surprised
- It's OK to be (somewhat) imperfect
- It is all about mindset
- Reach out
- Talk to the mothers in your company
- (Young) mothers are your best an most loyal ambassadors
- Men benefit too



#### The Ballad of Krista & Anne-Marie

- A good leader is also a human being
- Share your challenge
- The Bermuda Triangle
- Watch out for your role modeling
- Exam periods are sacred
- Children go first
- Be attentive to signs of stress
- Send people home



### The Ballad of Sabine & Erwin

Allow some slack Trust Don't take it for granted Get your priorities right 15 minutes doesn't mean 1 hour



## The Ballad of Anne-Sophie

Be aware of perceptions Discuss proactively with your manager Evaluate on output and impact Make performance visible



## ...And Some Personal Wisdom





#### ... For Women



- Don't be too harsh on yourself
- ...nor on your partner
- Allow for some 'me'-time
- Don't play yourself down
- Don't forget to shine
- Don't decide for the company
- The truth is out there...



## ... For (Male) Managers



- Talk to female employees
- Talent management identify & groom
- Mothers welcome
- Reach out: show you care
- Key meeting time window
- Silent hero culture
- Exam periods are sacred
- Kids always go first
- Act within your field of influence
- Enriching experience



## ... For Companies



- It starts (and ends) at the top
- Gender balanced recruitment process
- Challenge the final decision
- Break down the gender pattern
- Salary alignment
- Mothers should be mothers, fathers should be fathers
- Holidays for sale
- Female mentoring ring
- A good product & happy employees lead to satisfied customers



# See what counts.



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## Thank you for your attention!