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LESAT

**The Lean Enterprise
Self Assessment Tool**

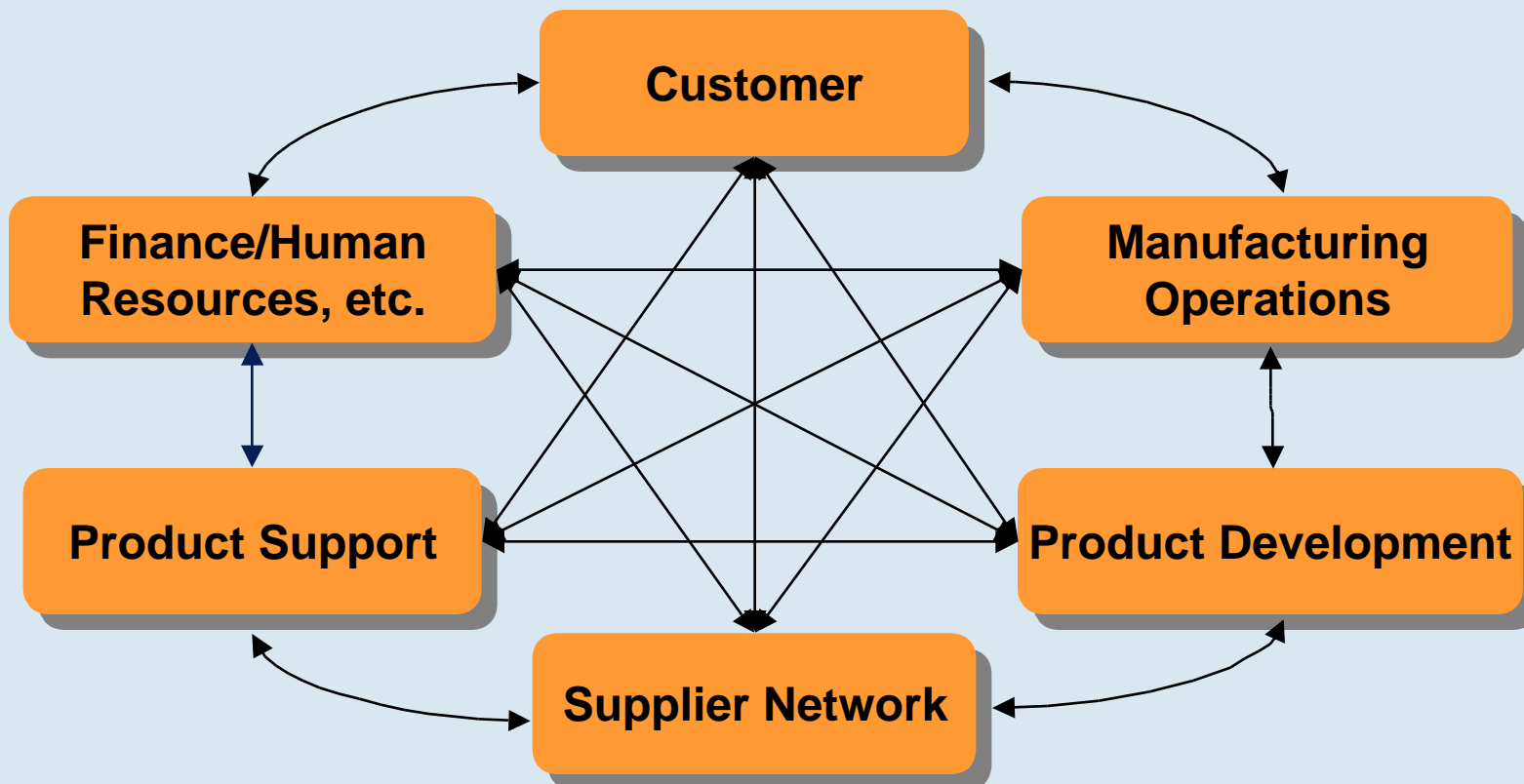
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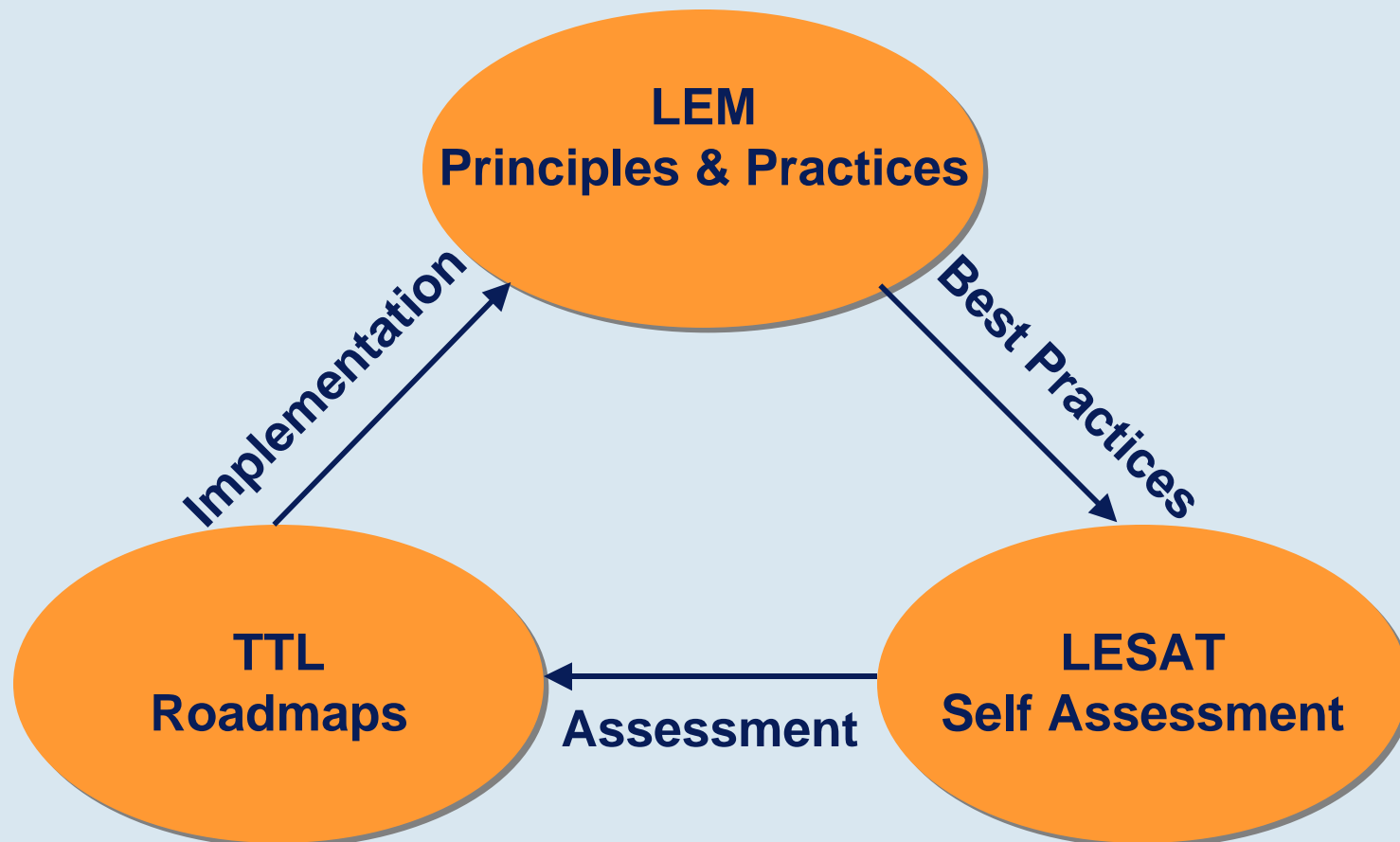
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- **Background**
- **LESAT Development Process**
- **LESAT Architecture and Practices**
- **Assessment Process**
- **Next Steps / Schedule**

Lean Transformation Requires an Enterprise Approach







Meta-Principles/Enterprise Principles

Enterprise Level Metrics

Overarching Practices

Identify & Optimize
Enterprise Flow

Assure Seamless
Information Flow

Optimize Capability &
Utilization of People

Make Decisions at
Lowest Possible Level

Implement Integrated
Product & Process
Development

Develop Relationships
Based on Mutual Trust &
Commitment

Continuously Focus on
the Customer

Promote Lean
Leadership at all Levels

Maintain Challenge of
Existing Processes

Nurture a Learning
Environment

Ensure Process
Capability and
Maturation

Maximize Stability in a
Changing Environment

Metrics - Barriers - Interactions

Data
Sheets
(~225)

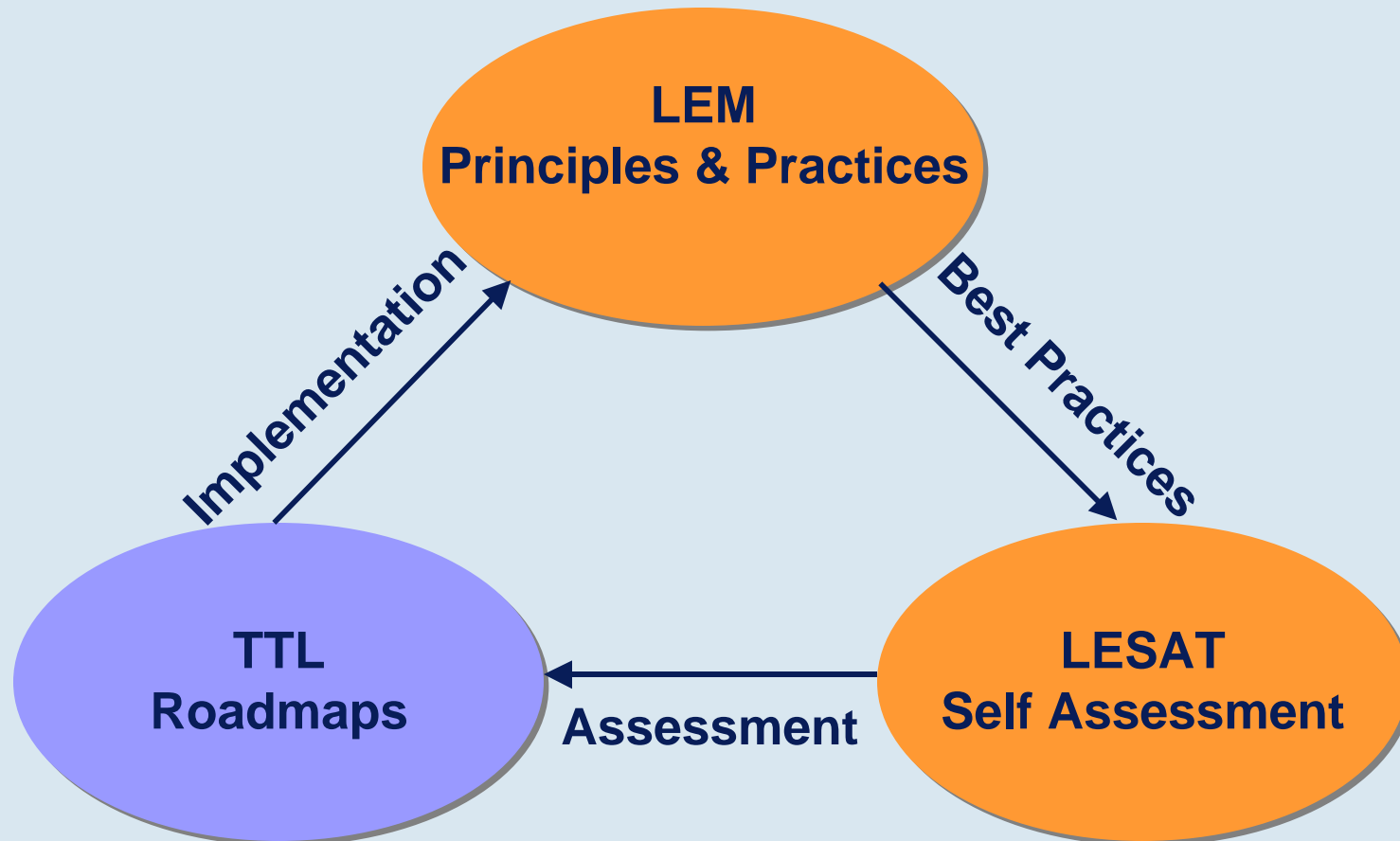
Enabling Practices (~ 60)

Metrics -Data - Barriers - Interactions

Supporting Practices (~300)

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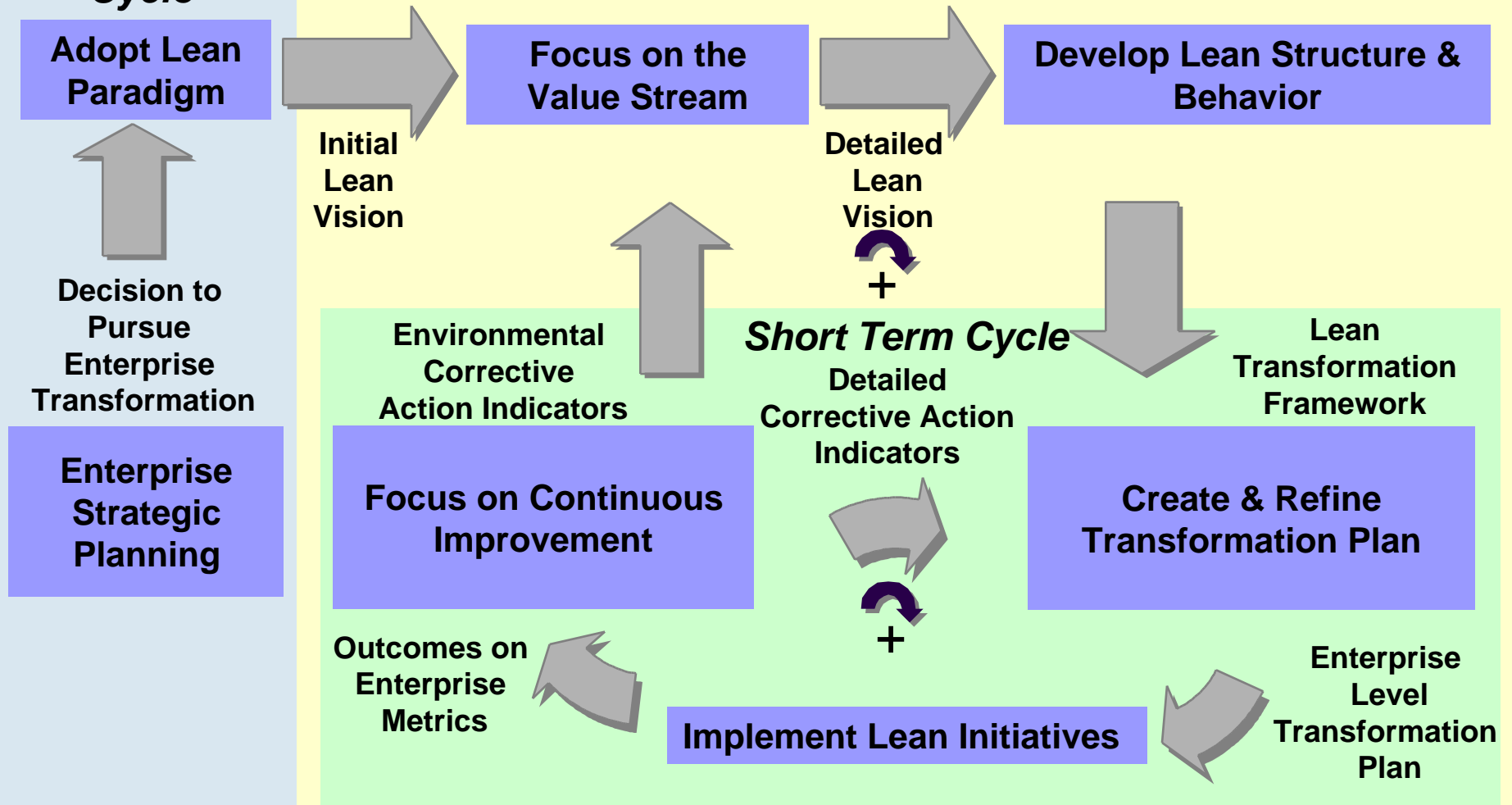
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Enterprise Transition To Lean (TTL) Roadmap

Entry/Re-entry Cycle

Long Term Cycle



Enterprise Level Roadmap

Entry/Re-entry Cycle

Adopt Lean Paradigm

- Build Vision
- Convey Urgency
- Foster Lean Learning
- Make the Commitment
- Obtain Senior Mgmt. Buy-in

Decision to Pursue Enterprise Transformation

Enterprise Strategic Planning

Long Term Cycle

Initial Lean Vision

Focus on the Value Stream

- Map Value Stream
- Internalize Vision
- Set Goals & Metrics
- Identify & Involve Key Stakeholders

Detailed Lean Vision

Develop Lean Structure & Behavior

- Organize for Lean Implementation
- Identify & Empower Change Agents
- Align Incentives
- Adapt Structure & Systems

Short Term Cycle

Environmental Corrective Action Indicators

Focus on Continuous Improvement

- Monitor Lean Progress
- Nurture the Process
- Refine the Plan
- Capture & Adopt New Knowledge

Detailed Corrective Action Indicators

Lean Transformation Framework

Create & Refine Transformation Plan

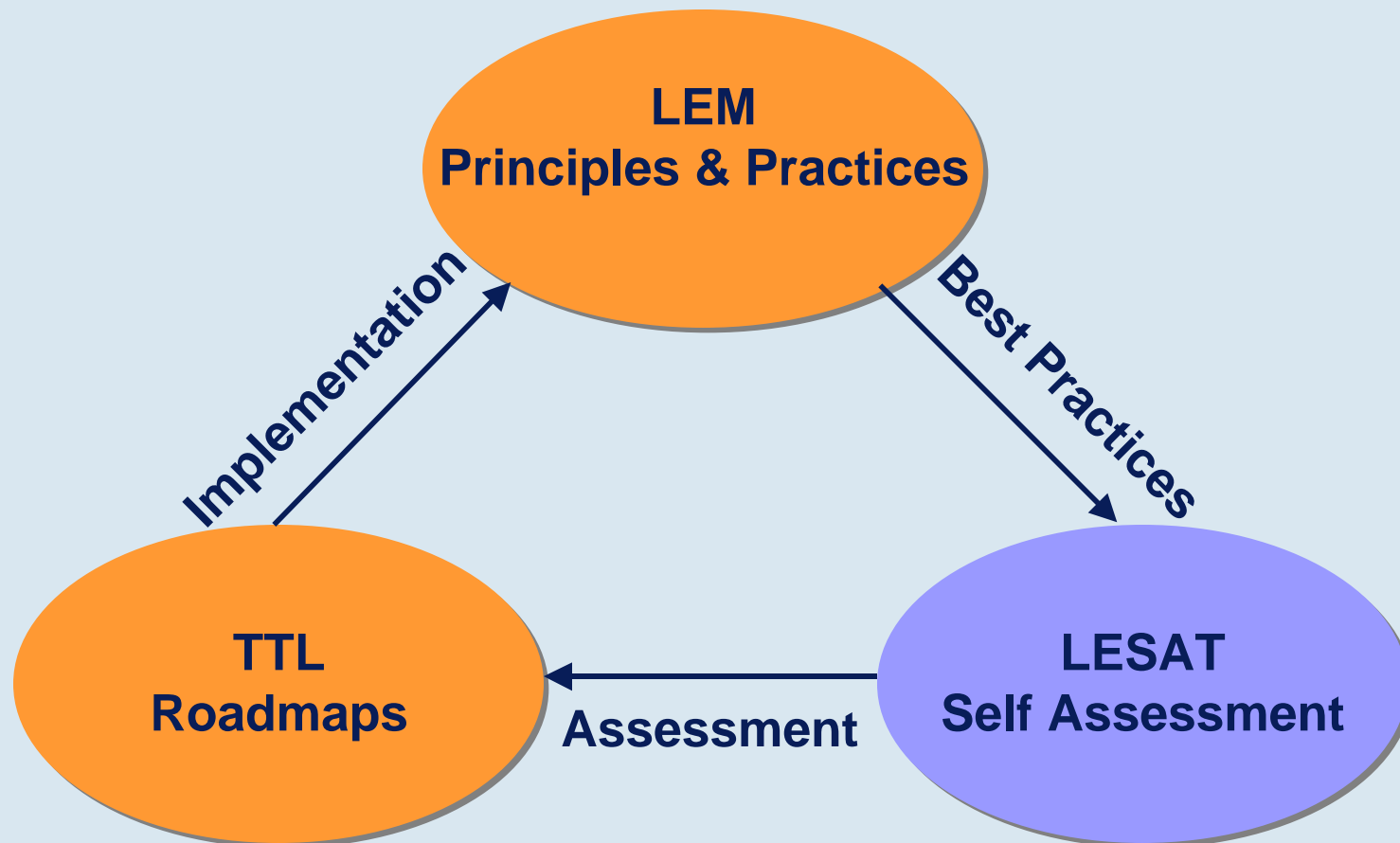
- Identify & Prioritize Activities
- Commit Resources
- Provide Education & Training

Outcomes on Enterprise Metrics

Implement Lean Initiatives

- Develop Detailed Plans
- Implement Lean Activities

Enterprise Level Transformation Plan



What Is LESAT?



- A tool for self-assessing the present state of “leanness” of an enterprise and its readiness to change
- Comprised of:
 - Capability maturity model for enterprise leadership, life cycle and enabling processes
 - Supporting materials: (Facilitator’s Guide, Glossary, etc.)

How Do I Assess My Progress?

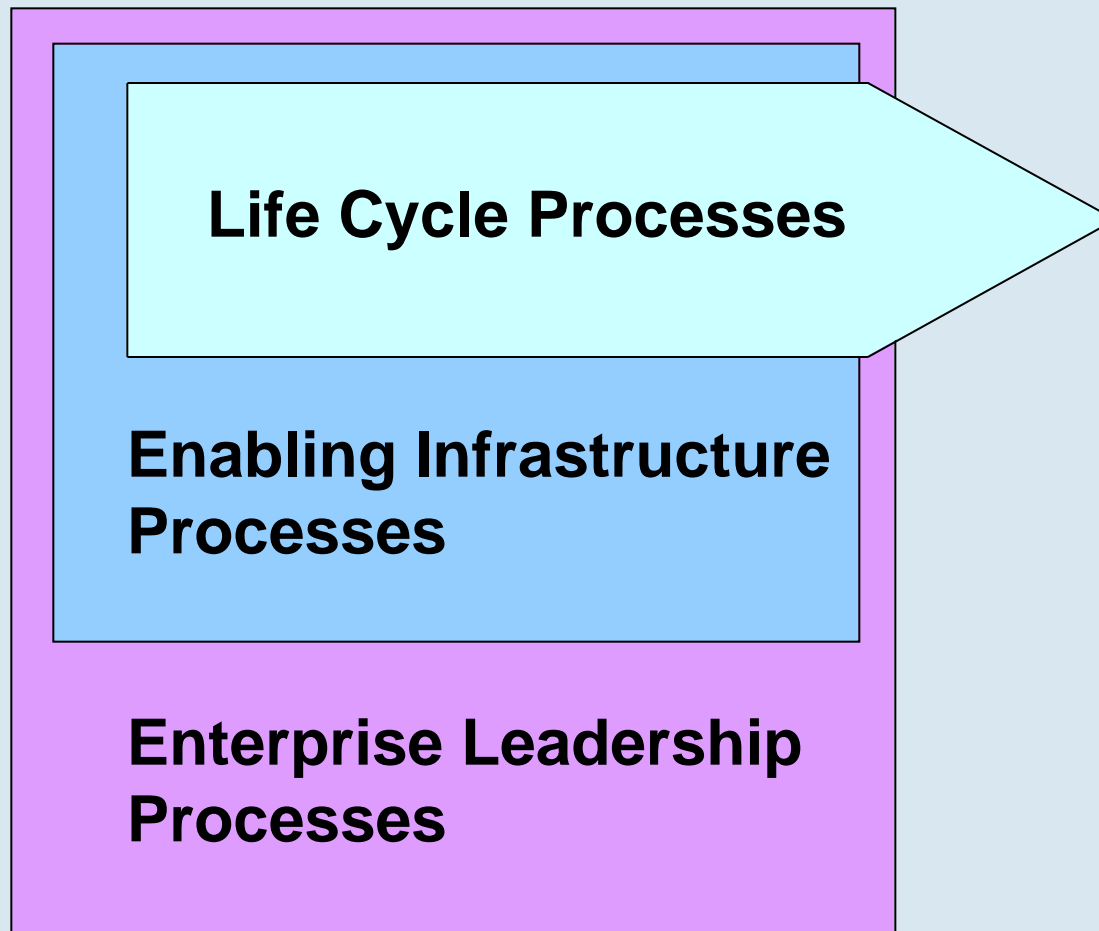
- Enterprise TTL application highlighted need for assessment tool
- Lean Enterprise Self Assessment Tool (LESAT) developed by joint industry / government / MIT team in collaboration with UK LAI
- LESAT supports both
 - “As-Is” Analysis
 - AND
 - “To-Be” Vision
- Targeted at Enterprise Leadership Team

LESAT Tool Requirements

(Survey of LAI Stakeholders)

- **Simple, easy to use by enterprise leadership**
- **Focus on lean attributes**
- **Alignment with business performance planning (goals and results)**
- **Provides guidance for “next steps”**
 - **Gap analysis capability**
- **Ability to accommodate both single and aligned organizations (teaming, partnerships, suppliers) within an enterprise**

Process Architecture View of Lean Enterprise



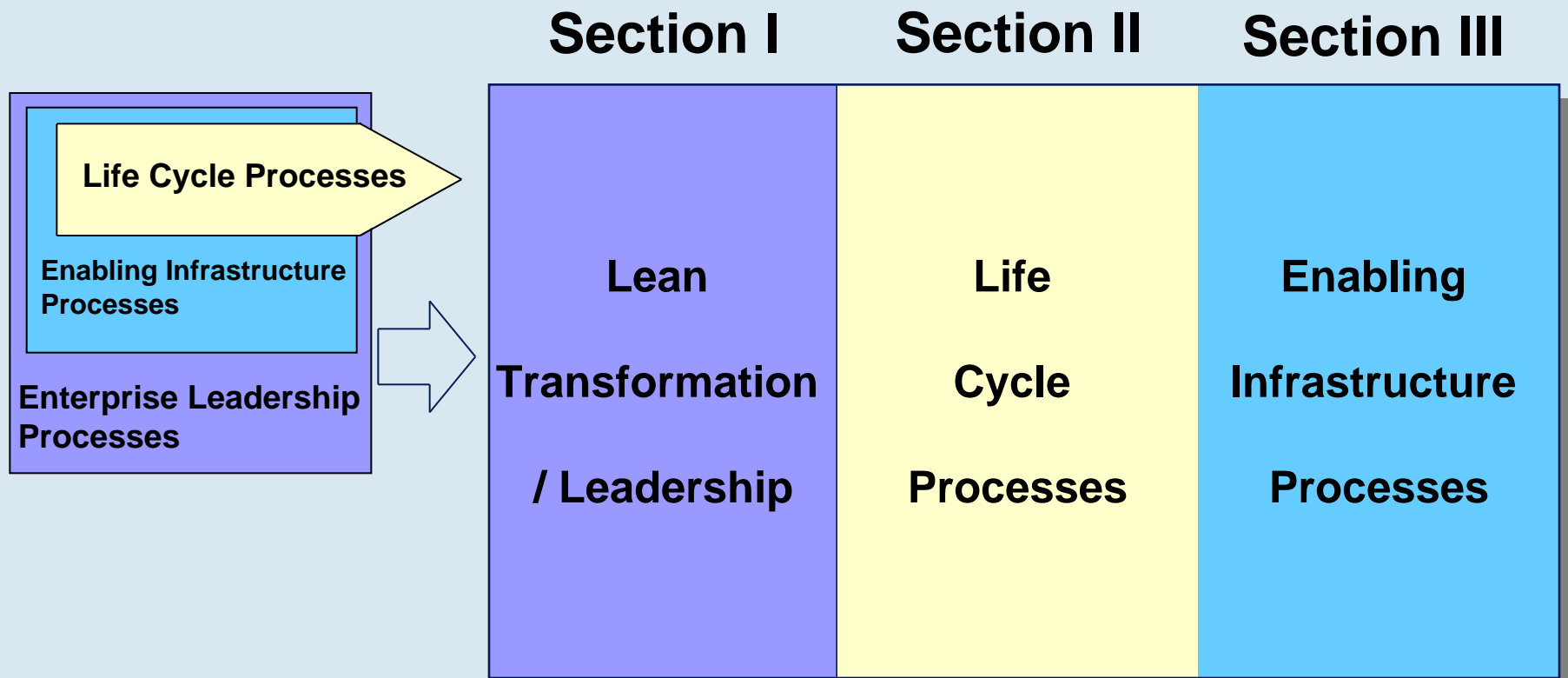


Life Cycle Processes

- Business Acquisition and Program Management
- Requirements Definition
- Product/Process Development
- Supply Chain Management
- Production
- Distribution and Support



LESAT Structure is Consistent with Enterprise Architecture



LESAT Maturity Matrix Template

Section, Group # and Group Name: Brief description of this Group number. In Section I, the Group is one of the Primary Activities from the Transition-to-Lean (TTL) Roadmap						
Diagnostic Questions		1.0 Generic questions regarding the performance of the enterprise relative to this Group of practices				
LP#	Lean Practices	Capability Levels				
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	A specific lean practice associated with this Group	Statement describing little awareness of this lean practice				Statement describing world-class behavior for this lean practice
	Sound bit phrase	C D	C D	C D	C D	C D
	Lean Indicators	Outcomes and lean behaviors that an enterprise will exhibit as it proceeds on its Lean transformation				
	Evidence	Supporting data utilized in assessing the current capability level of the Enterprise on this lean practice				
	Opportunities	Inputs to plans of action to leverage opportunities or to move to the desired level of capability				



Capability Maturity Levels

Level 1

Some awareness of this practice; sporadic improvement activities may be underway in a few areas.

Level 2

General awareness; informal approach deployed in a few areas with varying degrees of effectiveness and sustainment.

Level 3

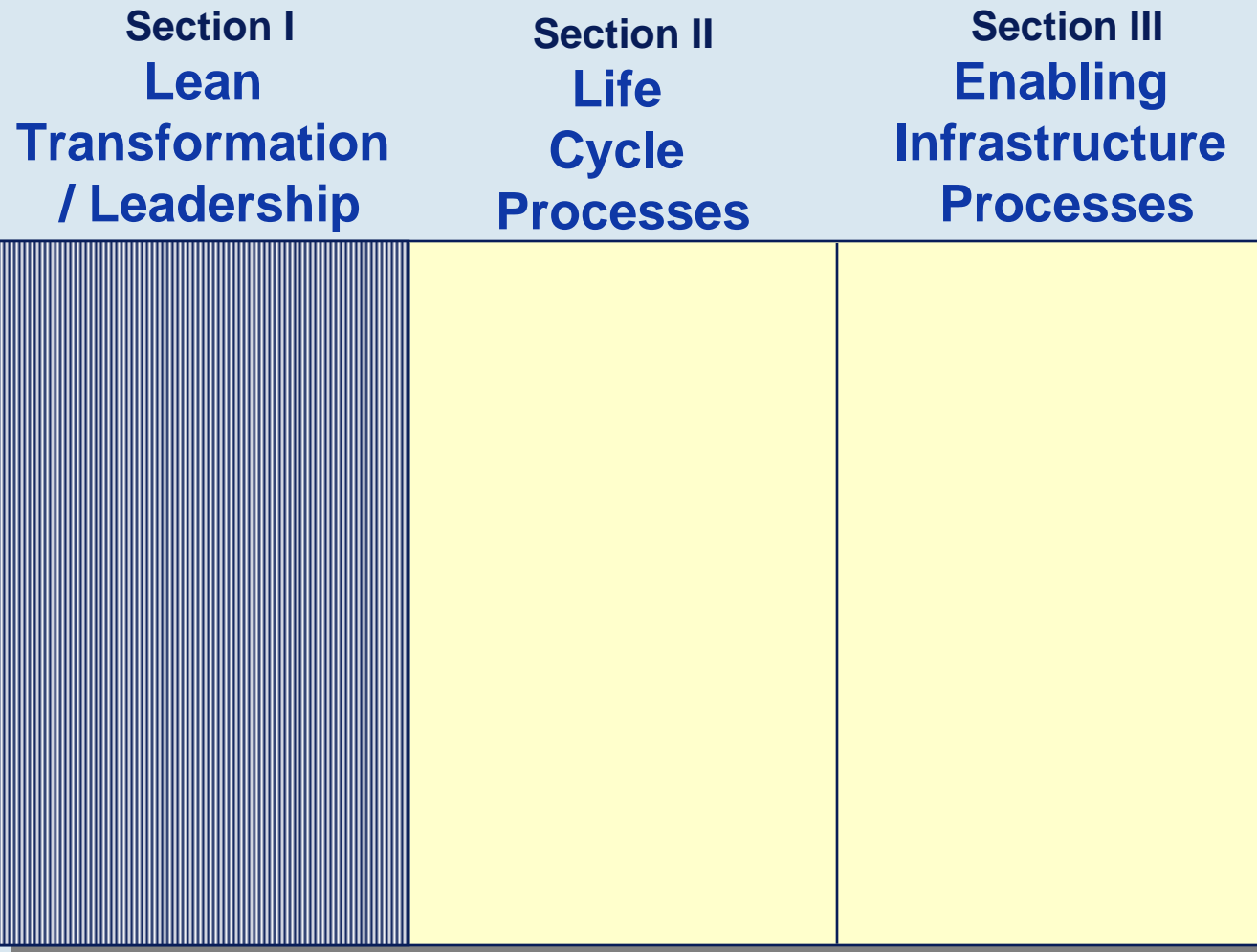
A systematic approach/methodology deployed in varying stages across most areas; facilitated with metrics; good sustainment.

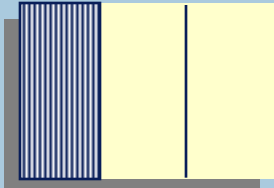
Level 4

On-going refinement and continuous improvement across the enterprise; improvement gains are sustained.

Level 5

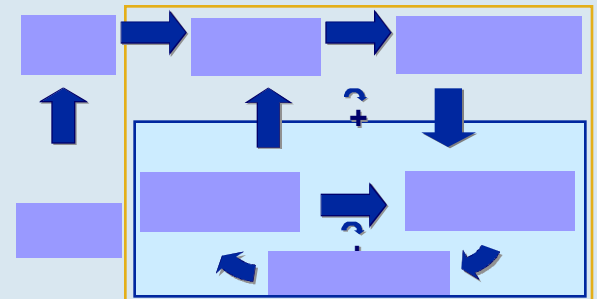
Exceptional, well-defined, innovative approach is fully deployed across the extended enterprise (across internal and external value streams); recognized as best practice.





Section I: Lean Transformation/Leadership

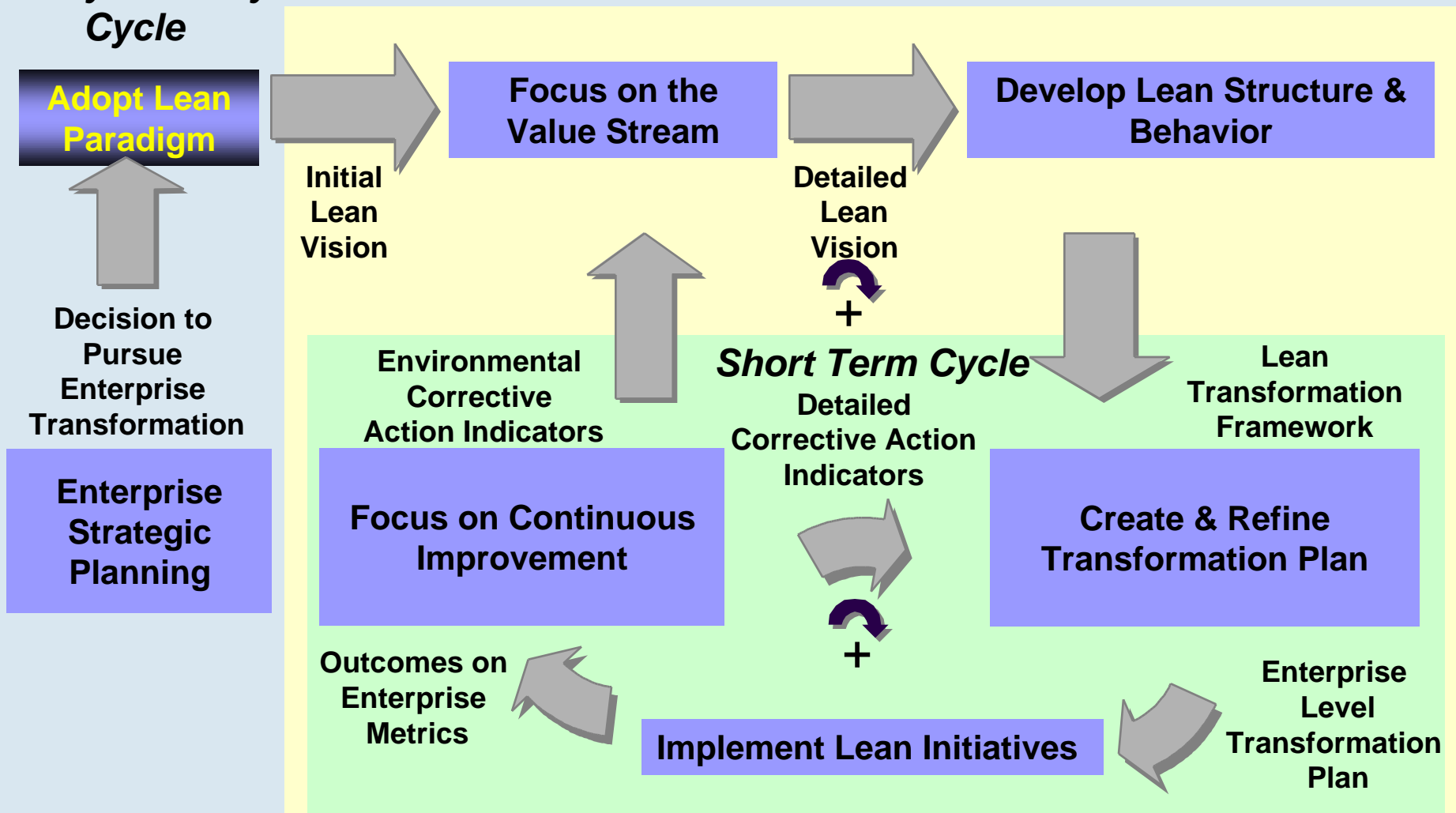
- Practices directly linked to enterprise Transition to Lean Model (TTL)
- Assesses the following elements:
 - Strategic integration
 - Leadership and commitment
 - Value stream analysis and balancing
 - Change management
 - Structure and systems
 - Lean transformation planning, execution and monitoring



Enterprise Transition To Lean (TTL) Roadmap

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Diagnostic Questions

1. Do enterprise leaders and senior managers understand the lean paradigm at the enterprise level?
2. Do all senior leaders and management enthusiastically support a transformation to lean?
3. Has a common vision of lean been communicated throughout the enterprise and within the extended enterprise?
4. Has a compelling case been developed for the Lean transformation?

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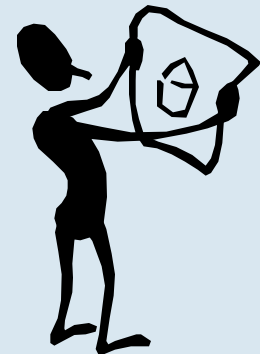
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LESAT Section I: Example

I.B.3 Lean Enterprise Vision - new mental model of the enterprise

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Level 3

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Level 4

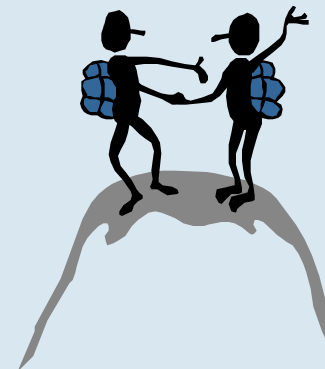
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Level 5

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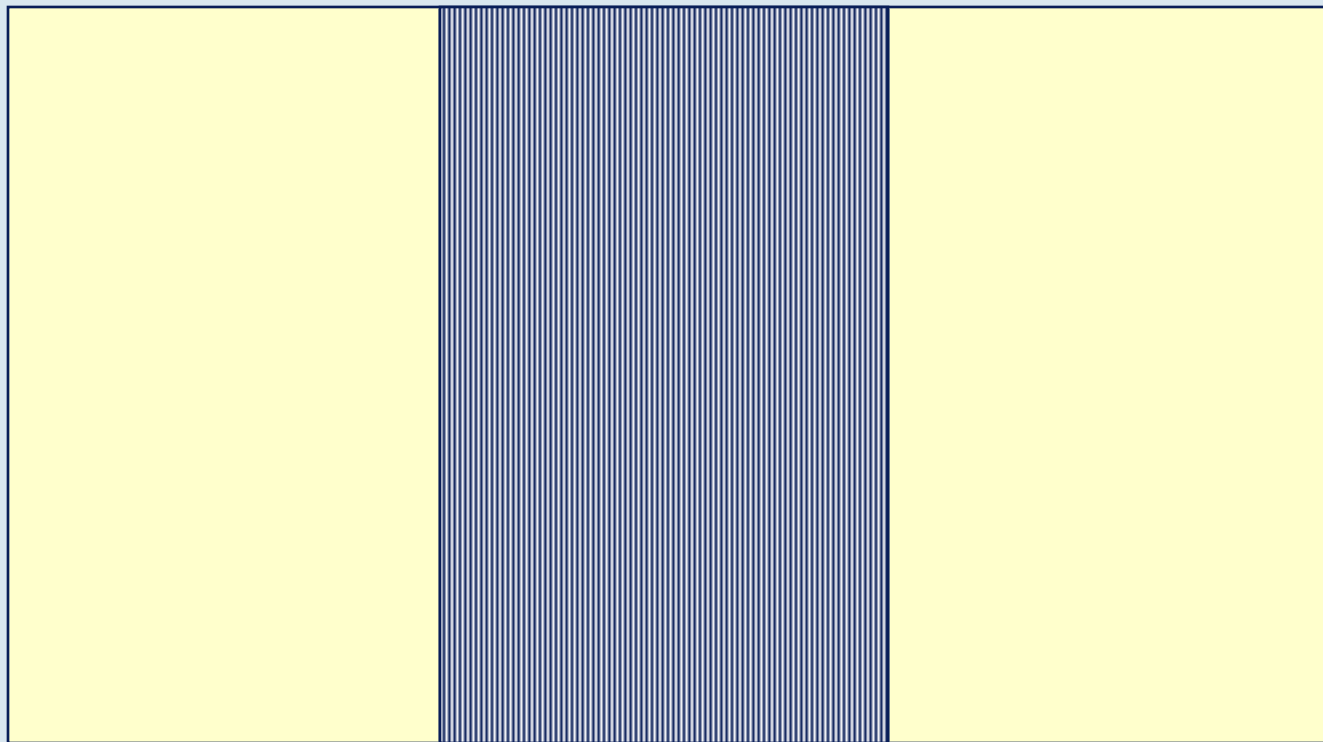


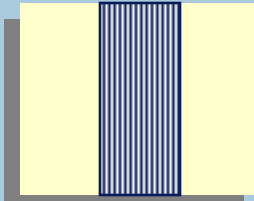
LESAT Architecture

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Section II: Life Cycle Processes

Assess:

- **Enterprise level core processes**
 - **Acquisition**
 - **Program Management**
 - **Requirements Definition**
 - **Product/Process Development**
 - **Supply Chain Management**
 - **Production**
 - **Distribution and Support**
- **Key integrative practices**

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Level 3

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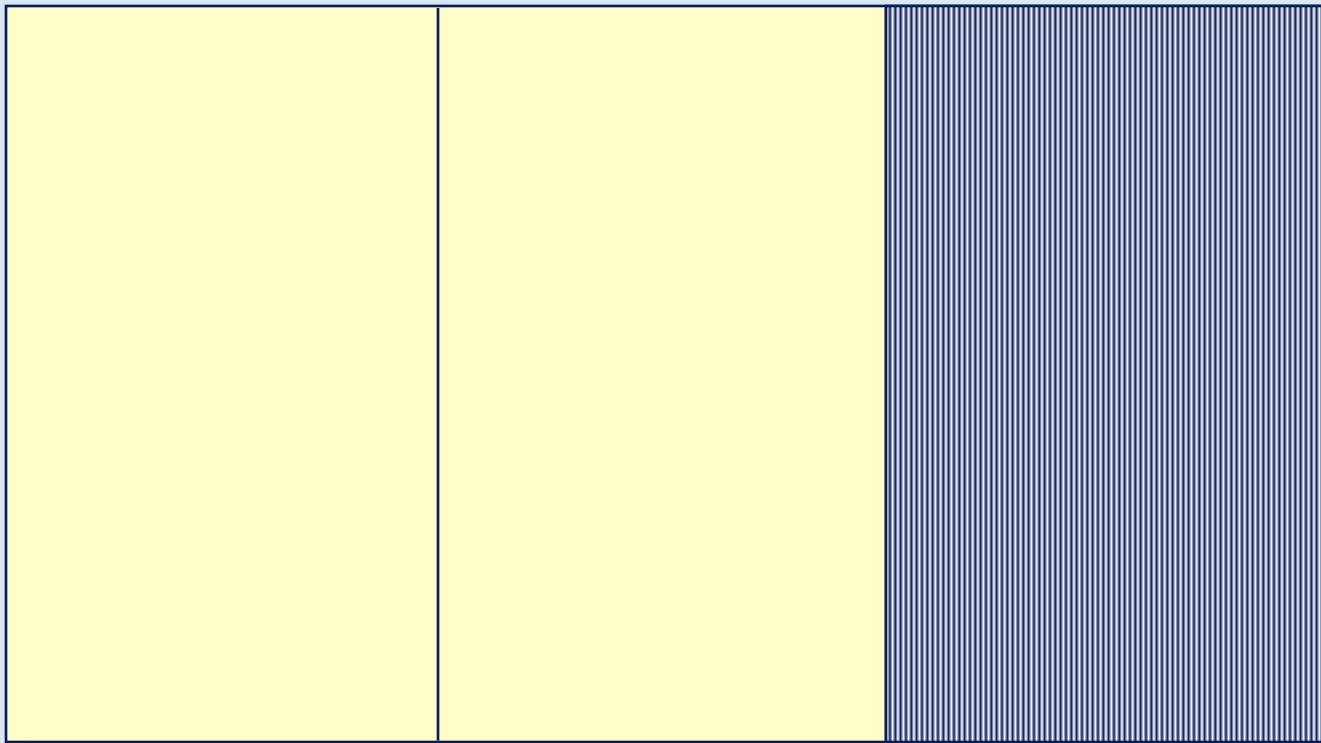
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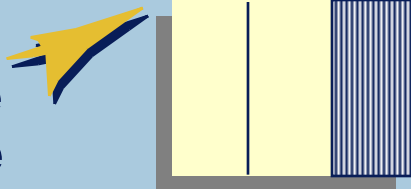


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Section III: Enabling Infrastructure

Lean Organizational Enablers

- **Finance**
- **Information Technology**
- **Human Resources**
- **Environmental Health & Safety**

Lean Process Enablers

- **Standardized processes**
- **Common tools and systems**
- **Variation reduction**

III.A. Lean Organizational Enablers

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Diagnostic Questions

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6. Do processes created the least amount of environmental hazards practical?

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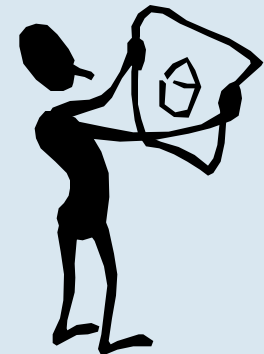
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III.A.1	Financial System Supports Lean Transformation <i>Lean requires appropriate financial data</i>	Finance system provides basic balance sheet and cost accounting data; there is little awareness and exploration of broader support roles for finance.	Initial efforts are underway to adapt or modify systems to compensate for the inadequacies of the formal financial system.	Finance system is overhauled to provide data and financial information to support and enable a lean transformation at any level.	Financial system scope is expanded to integrate with non-traditional measures of value creation (e.g., intellectual capital, balanced scorecard, etc.).	Financial systems provide seamless information exchange across the extended enterprise, with emphasis on value creation for all stakeholders.
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	Lean Indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Financial measures that conflict with lean activity are no longer used to measure progress and performance. > The financial system handles a balanced set of financial and non-financial measures to assist decision-making. > The financial system has been overhauled to ensure fast and efficient processing of information as required. 				
	Evidence					
	Opportunities					



III.A.1 Financial system supports lean transformation -

Lean requires accurate assessment of value stream activities

Level 1

Finance system provides basic balance sheet and cost accounting data; there is little awareness and exploration of broader support roles for finance.

Level 2

Initial efforts are underway to adapt or modify systems to compensate for the inadequacies of the formal financial system.

Level 3

Finance system is overhauled to provide data and financial information to support and enable a lean transformation at any level.

Level 4

Financial system scope is expanded to integrate with non-traditional measures of value creation (e.g., intellectual capital, balanced scorecard, etc.).

Level 5

Financial systems provide seamless information exchange across the extended enterprise, with emphasis on value creation for all stakeholders.

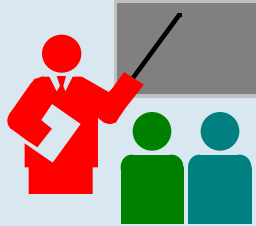


- Financial measures that conflict with lean activity are no longer used to measure progress and performance.
- The financial system handles a balanced set of financial and non-financial measures to assist decision-making.
- The financial system has been overhauled to ensure fast and efficient processing of information as required.
- Financial and performance measurement data can be accessed as needed in user-defined format.
- Financial information can be extrapolated to forecast outcomes.
- System provides up to date information on request and rationalizes information no longer used.



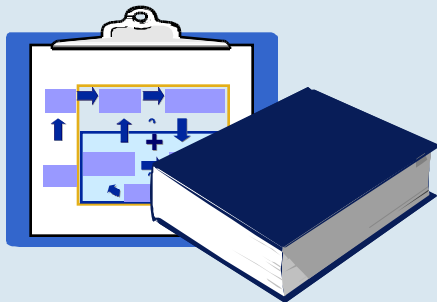
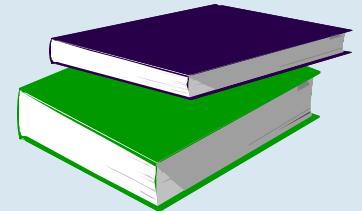


LESAT Supporting Materials



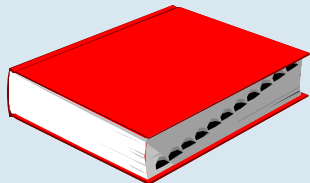
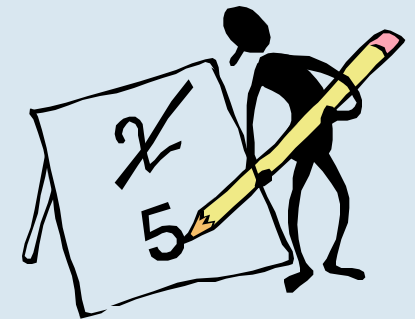
➤ **Introductory Presentation**

➤ **LESAT Matrices & Facilitator's Guide**



➤ **TTL Roadmap & Guide**

➤ **Summary Score Calculator**



➤ **Glossary of Terms**

Suggested Methodology for Employing LESAT



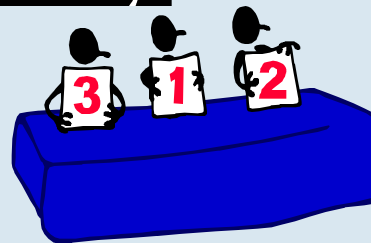
**Step 1: Facilitated meeting to introduce tool.
Enterprise leader champions**



**Step 2: Enterprise leaders and staff conduct
LESAT assessment**



**Step 3: Leadership reconvenes to jointly
determine present maturity level**



**Step 4: Leadership determines
desired level and measures gap**

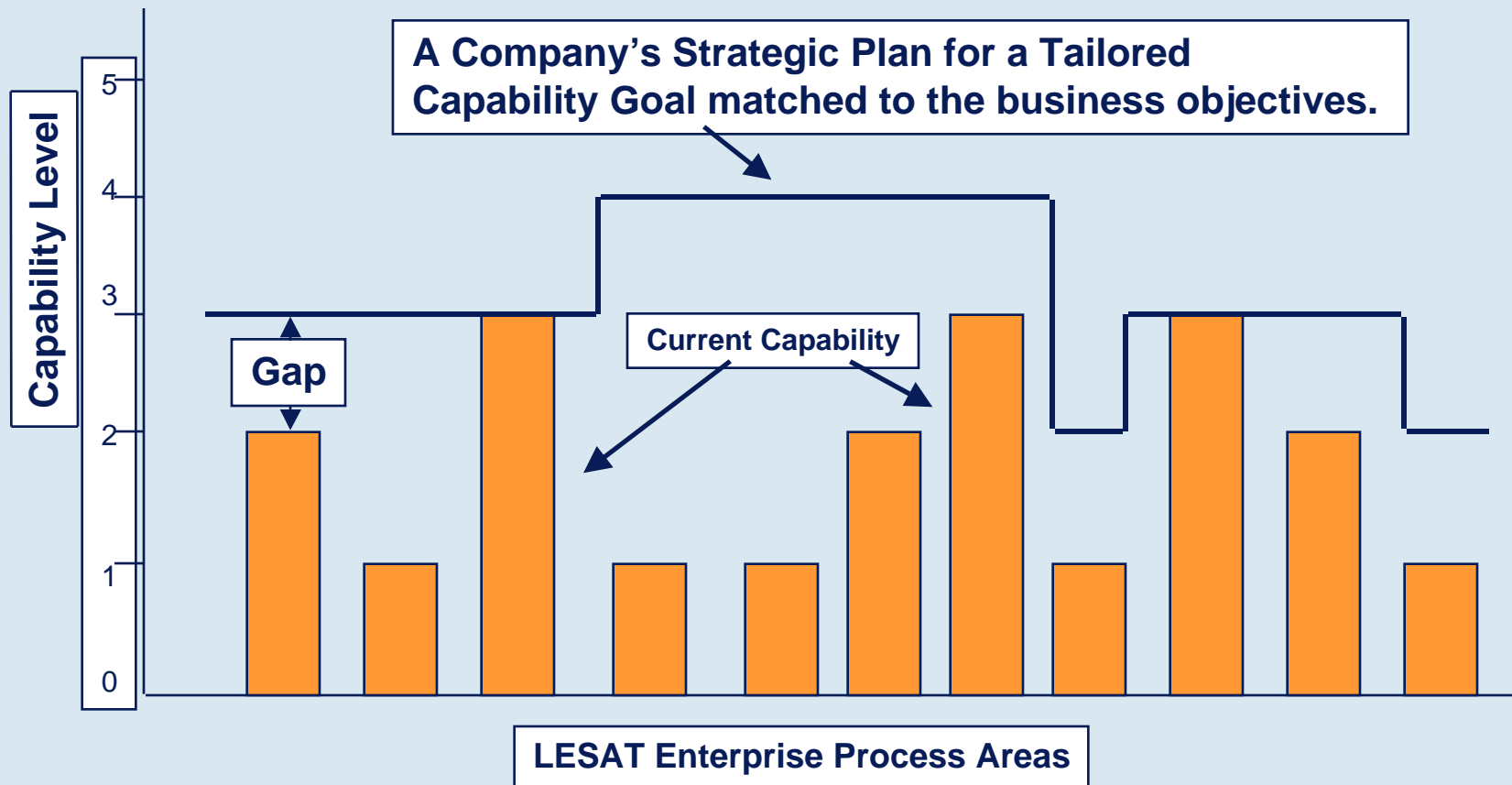


**Step 5: Develop action
plan and prioritize
resources**

Summary Form Example


LESAT Enterprise Self-Assessment Tool (LESAT)				
Section I - Lean Transformation/Leadership				
Process Definition: Develop and deploy lean implementation plans throughout the enterprise leading to (1)- long-term sustainability, (2)- acquiring competitive advantage and (3) satisfaction of stakeholders.				
TTL Link	Lean Practice	Lean Characteristic	Capability Level	
			Current	Desired
I.A. Enterprise Strategic Planning	I.A.1 - Integration of Lean in strategic planning process	Lean impacts growth, profitability and market penetration		
	I.A.2 - Focus on customer value	Customers pull value from enterprise value stream		
	I.A.3 - Leveraging the extended enterprise	Value stream extends from customer through the enterprise to suppliers		
	<i>Average</i>			
I.B. Adopt Lean Paradigm	I.B.1 - Learning and education in “Lean” for enterprise leaders	“Unlearning” the old, learning the new		
	I.B.2 - Senior management commitment	Senior management leading it personally		
	I.B.3 - Lean enterprise vision	New mental model of the enterprise		
	I.B.4 - A sense of urgency	The primary driving force for Lean		
<i>Average</i>				
I.C. Focus on the Value Stream	I.C.1 - Understanding current value stream	How we now deliver value to customers		
	I.C.2 - Enterprise flow	“Single piece flow” of materials and information		
	I.C.3 - Designing future value stream	Value stream to meet the enterprise vision		
	I.C.4 - Performance measures	Performance measures drive enterprise behavior		
<i>Average</i>				
I.D. Develop Lean Structure and Behavior	I.D.1 - Enterprise organizational orientation	Organize to support value delivery		
	I.D.2 - Relationships based on mutual trust	“Win-win” vs. “we-they”		
	I.D.3 - Open and timely communications	Information exchanged when required		
	I.D.4 - Employee empowerment	Decision-making at lowest possible level		
	I.D.5 - Incentive alignment	Reward the behavior you want		
	I.D.6 - Innovation encouragement	From risk aversion to risk rewarding		
	I.D.7 - Lean change agents	The inspiration and drivers of change		
<i>Average</i>				

LESAT Desired Score Can be Tailored for Each Process Area



- **Perform the assessment from a total enterprise perspective, NOT individual functional area**
- **Attempt to assess every practice; leave blank if N/A or if you don't know**
- **Scoring the practices**
 - **Each level assumes that lower level criteria are met**
 - **If between levels, score at the lower level**
- **Note “evidence” for level selected**
- **Identify opportunities to increase maturity level**
- **Seek assistance from company facilitator**

LESAT Overview/Kickoff

Today 

Completed assessments
to site coordinator

TBD _____

Scores compiled and
summarized

TBD _____

Consolidation/Feedback
Session

TBD _____