## Psychological safety: embracing discomfort (workshop)





WHAT IS PSYCHOLOGICAL SAFETY?

the belief that you won't be punished or humiliated for **speaking up with ideas**, questions, concerns, or mistakes

the belief that you can **recover from your** mistakes and help others do the same

\* a collaboration climate characterized by interpersonal trust and mutual respect in which people are comfortable being themselves

is not about being comfortable all the time it's about embracing the discomfort

## What signals psychogical safety?

Sempathy, compassion and self-compassion

(1) the willingness of a group to engage in interpersonal conflicts and disagree with each other





Empathy removes the blocks to action in a way that is inclusive.

It creates power through partnership and cocreation, resolving what appears to be knotted and bound.

– Dominic Barter



Conflict is a natural part of human collaboration. It happens to everyone, no matter how skilled you are, how non-violent your communication is and how considerate you are of others.

Conflict in itself is not bad or something that should be avoided. In fact, conflict is a great source of learning and growth, provided we learn how to navigate it productively.

- Christiaan Verwijs



## Psychological safety is necessary in any workplace, including academic. Check if this workshop is for you:

- Can you take risks like proposing a new idea, admitting you don't know something or disagreeing with others — without having to worry about your position in the group (students, colleagues, professors)?
- V Do you often have a desire to sweep disagreements under the rug at and outside academic work?
- V Do you often not ask for help or advice from your colleagues or professors?
- Do you often experience not being heard, seen, or respected?
- V Do you behave or see others behave in a way that makes other people feel they are not being heard, seen, or respected?

## What will you learn?

- improve listening, tuning, and empathy for yourself and among your colleagues and students
- for the students or your colleagues/a group notice unwanted patterns and work together on shifting to more productive interactions rotice how much can be accomplished simply by listening
- different styles of conflict navigation professionally and personally

## This workshop is about:

### learning by doing

engaging, reflective and an inspiring experience of interactions and conversational structures

### agile agenda

addressing the general challenges and/or adapting to the needs of the group

## more learning materials

materials with a workshop script and inspiring sources for further practice

# What clients say about working with me:

### Sandra Kmieciak, Dolnośląski Ośrodek Polityki Społecznej

Magda, your **courage**, **creativity** in ideas and leading, and at the same time subtlety and warmth is amazing! At the networking event, which aims to connect business with social enterprises, you created an atmosphere f**ull of trust and kindness** from the very beginning. You knew what was important to us because you were regularly at meetings where we discussed concepts. I appreciate your commitment, which translated into **an effective process** of building relationships between sectors.

### Mateusz Kapanowski, Infor

**Professionalism** and **full commitment** are middle Maqda's The names. unconventional formula of the meetup she proposed as well as her natural ability to arrange everything in line with our expectations was **extraordinary**. Seeing Magda in action re-confirms my belief over and over again, that choosing the "golden mean" approach is the key to success. On the one hand, a **methodical approach**, on the other, **recipient-oriented** and **friendly** atmosphere that encourages discussion. Magda is just the right person in the right place.

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### Szymon Górnik, Indeed

During **Piwo Między Projektami** conducted Magdalena events, moderated networking. In the group of people who have already experienced a lot of similar events before, it was not an easy thing. Despite this, she always had a smile on her face and used specific tools to help the participants get to know each other from an interesting side. in reference Always to an interesting theme. I recommend working with Magdalena.



I believe that the time spent together - professionally and otherwise - is a valuable currency, so I'm giving it a boost with creativity, agency and purposefulness.

I live in Wrocław with my dog, Frania. I am fascinated by dog behaviorism and I am a fan of positive training in building relationships with dogs.

## Magda Baran

I turn ineffective and boring meetings into valuable, authentic and constructive experience of collabration.

### I am a cultural anthropologist by education and in practice agile coach, trainer and facilitator of collaboration. I curate networking and other business meetings.

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## Let's workshop!

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