Lean & Sustainable Industry Consortium 2016

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Membership in the consortium provides you the opportunity to collaborate with like-minded people and organisations in a safe, engaging and open environment.

The Lean and Sustainable Consortium is a selective group of global and local industry leaders who are currently engaged in leading continuous improvement and / or sustainability in their respective businesses. They often have a passion for linking lean with sustainability, seeing both as part of the same business concept. We come together regularly (at least four times a year) to share knowledge about creating a lean and sustainable business. In addition to these facilitated meetings, we have a strong online presence to enable continuous learning as well as frequent Gemba exchanges to share insights. We focus on building close relationships amongst the group. So far we have been successful informing a progressive community of pioneering thinkers and practitioners. Membership is by organisation, building valuable relationships through both the network’s individual representatives and the member organisations.

Some companies already involved

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Structure & Services

The Lean and Green Consortium is owned by its member organisations and will be governed by a board directors consisting of Hunter Lovins, Keivan Zokaei and Peter Hines.

Some of the key benefits to members:

- Participation in the consortium events such as quarterly facilitated “Gemba exchanges”, online forums and regular seminars.

- First hand observation of how other businesses, from diverse sectors, create lean and sustainability and how they integrate the two into one holistic approach

- Facilitated “lean and sustainability maturity assessment” for your selected sites and creation of your own bespoke lean and sustainable business roadmap where needed.

- Credibility of thought leadership and university collaborations

- Opportunity to influence the direction of your own business as well as being directly involved in shaping the direction of “lean and sustainability thinking” on the global stage.

- Staff training and Gemba coaching opportunities. All members will be offered to go through a Lean & Sustainability training programme accredited through Cardiff University

- Access to lean and sustainability experts and facilitators, expert trainers and training material, tools, and cutting edge of knowledge

Life in the Lean & Sustainable Consortium

Through membership in the Lean & Sustainable Consortium, your organization will gain access to cutting edge knowledge and practice from the other members in the network.

A key vision of the consortium is to create an environment for leaders and their teams to learn from each other, improve through implementation in their own operation and share the results with the other members for improvements in sustainability.

Membership Application and Investment

Member organisations will be carefully selected (initially by the board of directors and subsequently by member companies themselves) based on whether they can add real value to other member organisations. It is expected that only senior executives will be invited as representatives. Those who can influence the direction of their companies’ decision making. Also, each member must commit to attending at least three events per year and to participate in the consortium in a meaningful way. The final decision for membership is made by the existing membership of the network.

The basic membership fee is £4,400 per annum which covers services such as attendance in the quarterly seminars, Gemba exchanges and the online forum but excludes 1-to-1 services such as accredited lean and sustainability training or lean and sustainability maturity assessment. However, we suggest to the new members to opt for the Full Package at £8,900. The consortium is committed to invest all of the fees directly back into the facilitation of the events, administration of the consortium and training of the member organisations.

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Some of the key activities of the consortium include:

**Facilitated Gemba Exchanges (4 per year)**

The Consortium will hold four facilitated on-site exchanges in each year of its activity. These are sessions held on the Gemba (workplace) at a member organisation site (or otherwise a mutually agreed suitable site) where all members gather to learn through observation, direct involvement with host organisation’s staff, networking, facilitated workshops and training.

**Virtual Collaboration Forums – idea exchange and feedback (several depending on group needs)**

In addition to the Gemba Exchanges, the consortium will facilitate virtual forums supported by the consortium website and online tools. These virtual collaboration forums will be formed and commissioned by the board of directors, around specific themes upon the needs of the member organisation. These will engage organisation’s team members through a focus on specific topics or groups. For example, there could be specific virtual forums focusing on value chains, lean and green tools, sustainability of improvements or specific energy efficiency solutions.

**Web Enabled Collaboration and Networking – Best practice knowledge hub, in-formation exchange**

The consortium’s website provides a web space for all your organization’s team members to research, ask questions, participate in events and exchange with other members.

**Lean and Sustainability Maturity Assessment – Measure, and Develop Roadmap (1 per full per year)**

The consortium provides facilitation to the member organisations that opt for the Full Package, to measure and analyse their respective organisation using our existing “lean and sustainability maturity assessment scorecard”. Through on-site observation and interviews with members of staff at each member organisation, we will provide a thorough assessment of your current state of C.I. maturity and, possibly more importantly, a facilitated discussion on opportunities and improvements.
**Gemba Coaching – Go, See, Engage and Improve (1 per member per year)**

Member organisations will be offered expert facilitation to be coached in one project per year. The member organisations receive coaching from our expert coach staff. Gemba Walks by the network facilitators are carried out followed by focused feedback and coaching to the individual member organisations on how to improve the situation.

**Annual Conference Series (1 annual seminar)**

An annual conference where all organisations have the opportunity to participate and feature a best practice projects as well as networking with other organisation’s team members. All participants are provided an opportunity to get recognition for their accomplishments and one team receives the honour of being the “lean and green team of the year” as voted by their peers.

**Is Membership of the Consortium Right for Your Organisation?**

Before considering membership in the consortium, there are three things an organisation should consider – need, suitability and commitment.

**Need** - The consortium is all about lean and green continuous improvement - Does your organisation see the value in collaborating with other like-minded executives and organisations to accelerate and sustain your continuous improvement journey?

**Suitability** – The network is effectively owned by the member organisations including the decision on who its future members are. Is your organisation a fit to build and sustain the consortium’s open and focused culture? By the way, we are deeply committed to protecting each other and honoring our Chatham House code.

**Commitment** – We expect collaboration and engagement – We expect members to provide leadership, focus, participation and access to best practices and problems. The consortium’s board of directors will select members based on commitment to learning, sharing and continuously improving.

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