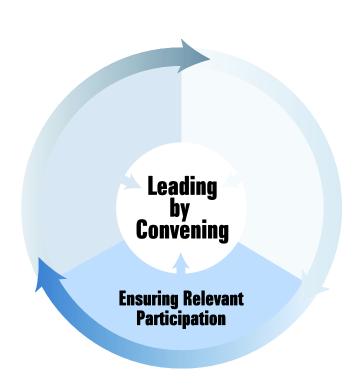
The Web of Connections





Leading by Convening: Ensuring Relevant Participation

THE WEB OF CONNECTIONS



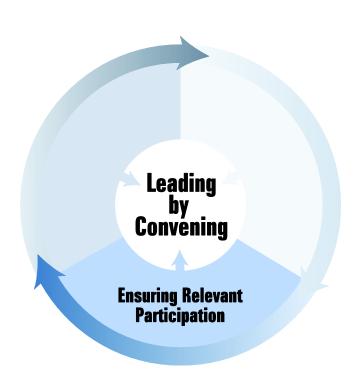
Who are the agencies and stakeholders with shared interests? Place them around the perimeter of a large circle.

Start with your pencil on the role with which you are affiliated.

- Draw an arrow to a role that is directly related to your work and influences your outcomes
- How does the issue look as you consider the work of that role?
 Make note of the most important ideas.



THE WEB OF CONNECTIONS (continued)

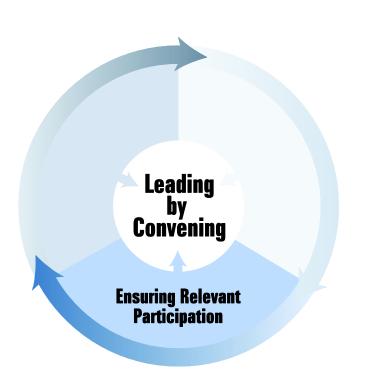


Place yourself in their role. Think about how they might describe the issues as they consider your involvement.

- Draw an arrow toward your role.
- Make note of the most important ideas.



THE WEB OF CONNECTIONS (continued)



Think about all the roles along those two arrows. Name some of them.

- Do they hold the same picture of the issues as you do?
- Do you know how many pictures of the issue there are among these individuals with related roles?

What do you think? Is stakeholder strategy important to your success?



A STAKEHOLDER LOOK AT____

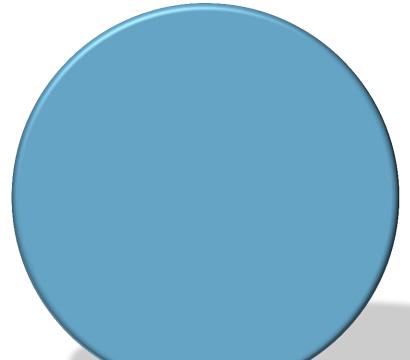
Key Ideas



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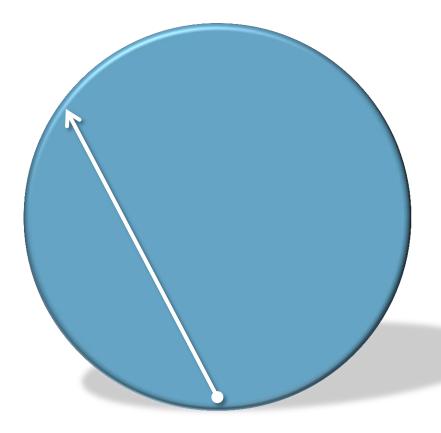
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A VIEW FROM MY ROLE

Key Ideas

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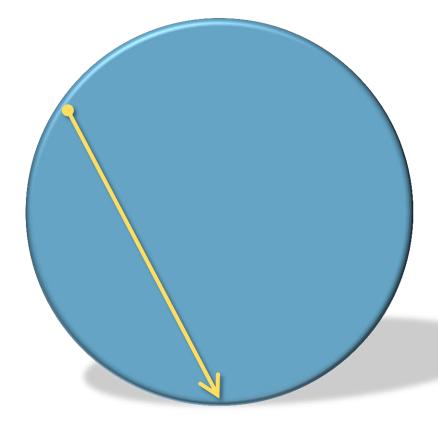




A VIEW FROM THEIR PERSPECTIVE

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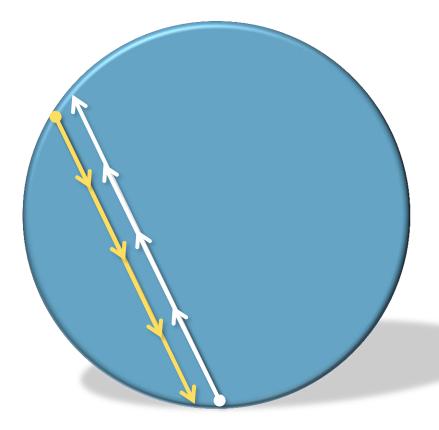




A TWO-WAY VIEW

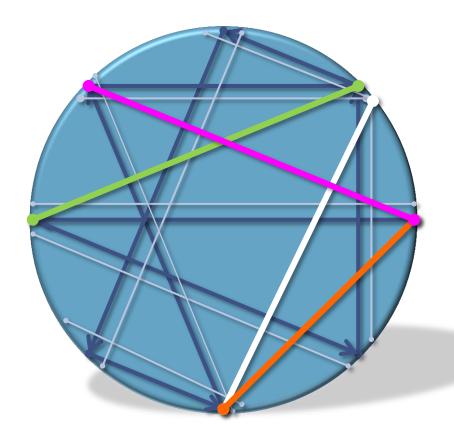
Key Roles

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A WEB OF CONNECTIONS RELATIONSHIPS AS THE PATH THROUGH COMPLEXITY





LEARNINGS FROM THE WEB

- Interests are interrelated.
- Positions are based on interests.
- Positions can get in the way of working together.
- Positions can get in the way of the shared goal.
- We can learn each other's interests.
- Together, we can craft positions to meet interests.
- A new kind of interaction is needed.
- No one is expert on the issue; everyone is expert on his or her interests and positions.
- We need to understand all positions and interests to make progress on issues that involve stakeholders!



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