



**ASTD 2014 ANNUAL
CONFERENCE:
WOMEN, LEADERSHIP AND
SUCCESS**

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COMMON SENSE
LEADERSHIP**

WHY THIS IS SO IMPORTANT...

**“This is not a gender issue, it is
an economic issue!”**

~ U.S. Chamber of Commerce

A woman with blonde hair, wearing a dark grey business suit, a light pink shirt, and a patterned tie, stands in a desert landscape. She is holding a globe of the Earth in her right hand, looking at it with a slight smile. The background is a vast, sandy desert under a clear blue sky. The text "Why this is so important to me..." is overlaid on the image in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

**Why this is so important
to me...**

**Why I wrote
*WOMEN, LEADERSHIP and
SUCCESS***

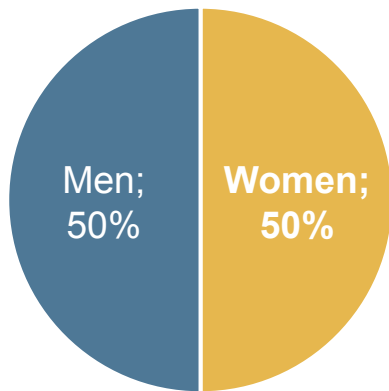
*Senior executives share
how women drive success*

*Seize this opportunity to
be forward thinking
leaders*

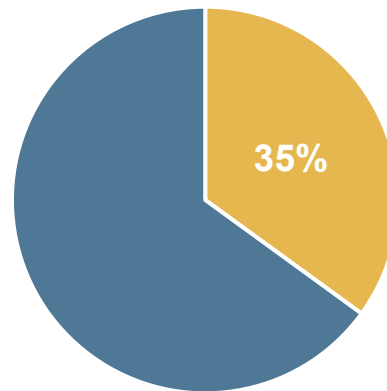


ESTIMATES OF WOMEN IN BUSINESS

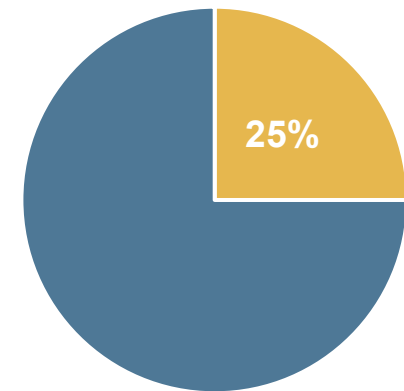
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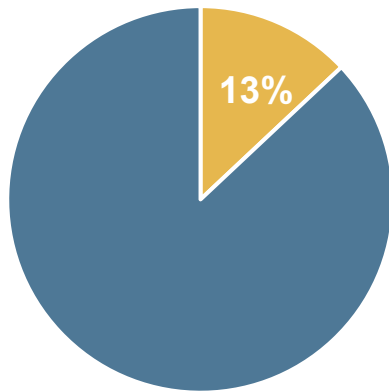
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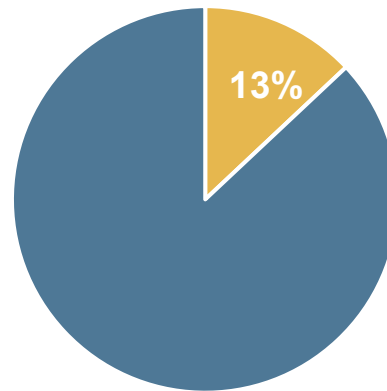
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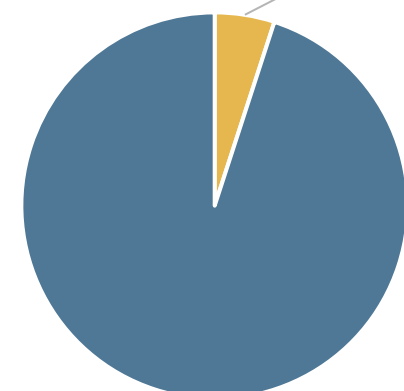
Executive Committee Members



Board Members



CEOs 5%



**Companies should not be
run by men only, nor
predominantly men.**

**We need to give our
people the best possible
leadership.**

IN GENERAL, MEN'S LEADERSHIP SKILLS

Confidence

Decisiveness

Boldness

Risk Takers



IN GENERAL, WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP SKILLS...

Relationships, caring about others

Inclusiveness

Preparation

Open-Mindedness

Consideration of long-term effects on people

Asking questions, asking for help

Empathy

Risk awareness

Multi-Tasking





**Especially conversations,
relationships, and
emotional intelligence.**



**To effectively lead our
people, we need all of
these skills!**

WE SOMETIMES HEAR...

- "We cannot find the right women."
- "Women do not make good bosses."
- "Women do not help other women coming up behind them."

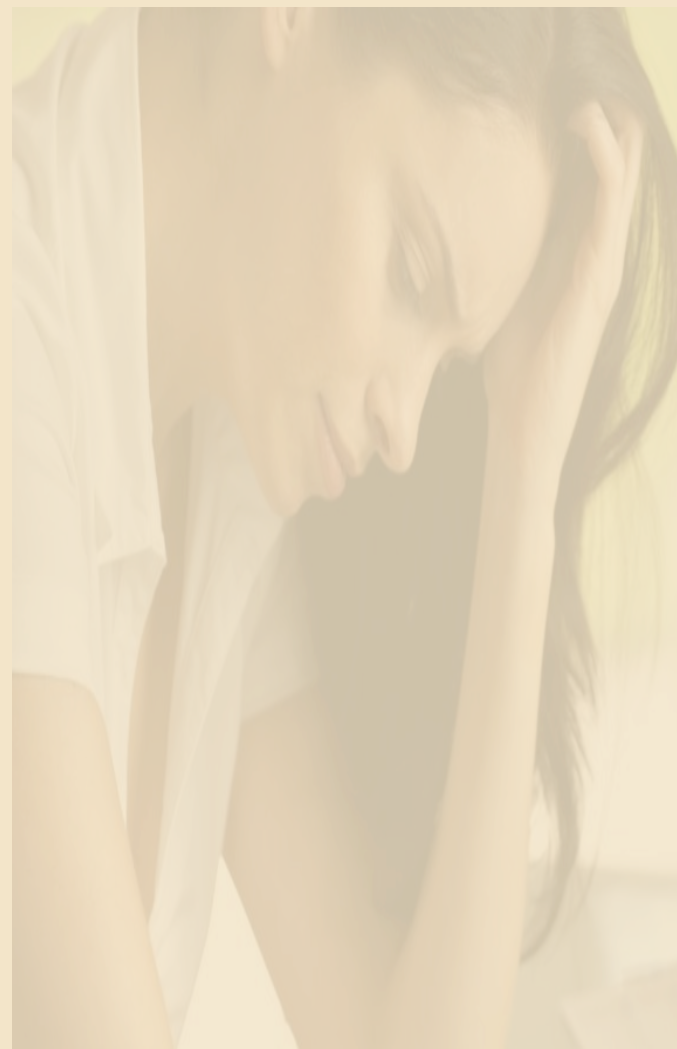
Women, be YOUR best selves!

THE CONFIDENCE GAP BETWEEN WOMEN AND MEN

- Let's try to help women with their inner-confidence
- Discuss, read, seek and provide constructive feedback



TO RETAIN OUR WOMEN



- Ask our people what they need - bottom up ideas are the best ideas
- Be flexible, today's technology allows us to be
- Everyone must understand and support this priority

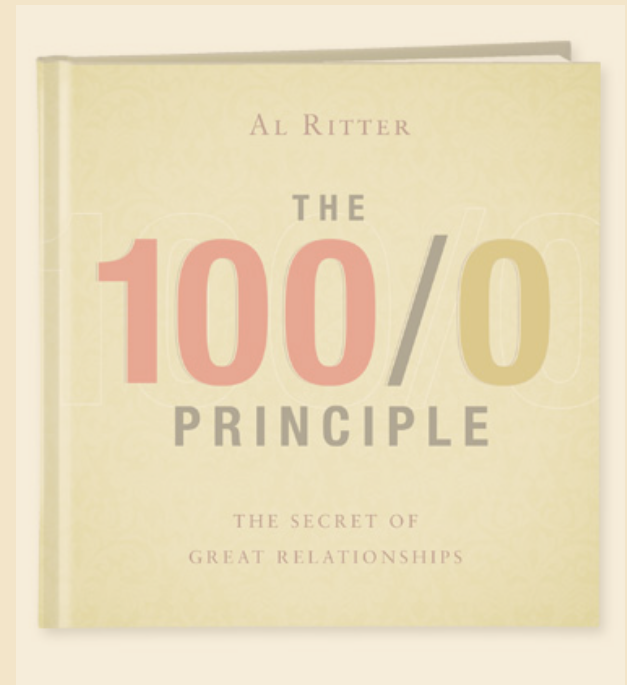
and...

**Get good people, treat
them well, and EMPOWER
THEM!**

**They will live up to our
level of trust!**

READ ONE LEADERSHIP BOOK A MONTH

- The 100/0 Principle by Al Ritter
- The Power of Less by Leo Babauta
- Fierce Conversations by Susan Scott
- Quiet by Susan Cain
- The Go-Giver by Bob Burg & John David Mann
- Focus on the Good Stuff: The Power of Appreciation by Mike Robbins



**Please share your progress,
ideas and challenges with
me.**

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