ERC Consulting

CONSULTING & INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Strengthen communication and consulting skills and develop better relationships

- **Objective** Be a better consultant by talking less, listening more and developing stronger relationships.
- Designed for Managers, Supervisors, Internal and External Consultants, Senior Executives, Managers and Customer Service Professionals – Leaders in general.
 - **Benefits** Using scenarios from your life, experience success with new communication skills, and:
 - Open a clear and focused dialogue
 - Listen actively and understand specific needs, worries and hidden agendas
 - Ask the right questions
 - Uncover motivators
 - Create commitments that lead to better decisions and relationships
 - Isolate objections to find avenues towards an agreement
 - End with a commitment to next steps



Agenda

- 1. **Initial Assessment:** We role-play how each participant approaches specific exchanges and challenges.
- 2. **Socratic Opener:** A new way to get your counterpart to talk and specifically share their situation and views.
- 3. Active Listening: A disciplined approach to listening that improves understanding, and builds the relationship.
- 4. **Probing:** Practice key phrases and probing techniques that uncover motivators and encourage greater understanding.
- 5. **Surface Motivators:** Listen and observe, to detect feelings known as hidden motivators or agendas.
- 6. **Present Solutions:** Organize your material to respond to the needs and motivators you uncover.
- 7. Handling Questions, Concerns, Complaints and Objections: Handle questions by finding their source and objections by uncovering specifics, and isolating them from the larger conversation.
- 8. **Agreement:** A process that uses conditional questions to get sub-decisions and reach agreement with less pressure.

