

# ORGANIZATION *for* INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

## *Producing Major Breakthroughs through Ontology Based Programs*

*“The unleashed power of the atom has changed everything save our modes of thinking. Thus we drift towards unparalleled catastrophe.”*      *Albert Einstein, 1948*

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### **Introduction**

Many people have been long convinced that it will always be very difficult to prevent or effectively resolve armed conflicts and human suffering worldwide. Yet, for hundreds if not thousands of years people believed the earth was flat, that only birds could fly, that traveling under the seas or far into space was not possible, that we could never communicate directly with others at a distance, etc. Those opinions and many others have long been proven to be unfounded.

Today it is possible to effectively prevent and resolve conflicts and human suffering. For the most part this can be done without armed force or other forms of coercion. What is missing is the ability to accurately identify the issues undermining the efforts of foreign policymakers, negotiators and all other government problem solvers.

Ontology based programs incorporate the use of extraordinary discussion-processes that dramatically expand conscious awareness. The program participants leave the programs starting to recognize the many issues undermining their best problem solving efforts.

### **Caution**

The first thing that a busy official will do when receiving information about programs [a] they are not familiar with, [b] that promise unprecedented results and [c] are from an organization they may not know, is to quickly and unintentionally equate the programs with those they have some familiarity.

Additionally, it is not every day that something ground breaking shows up in someone's office. Therefore they conclude the programs are not of overwhelming importance. This can happen in seconds!

Ontology based programs are totally distinct. Their differences include how they are executed, the processes used and the breakthrough results realized.

**Note:** From time to time we receive response letters from officials and others we wrote to that include [a] gracious comments about our work, [b] an expression of gratitude for our outreach and our comments, [c] good wishes for our project and [d] they then tells us how they have no time to help us or to explore the use of the programs.

When we receive such responses we know they have not taken the time to recognize the many possibilities involved. They simply misconstrued our information or they simply

refused to believe such results were possible. Whenever something new came along in history, there were always cynics and skeptics to challenge it.

**There is a great deal at stake in this including national security, global security and the lives of millions, if not billions. We urge the reader to pursue this very seriously with us as soon as possible.**

*“To say that something that has never occurred in history before will never occur at all is to argue disbelief in the dignity of man.” -M.K. Gandhi*

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**OIC HAS EMBARKED ON ADVOCATING THE USE OF ONTOLOGY BASED PROGRAMS TO OFFICIALS ENGAGED IN NATIONAL SECURITY, GLOBAL SECURITY, HUMANITARIAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES WORLDWIDE.**

**WE ELECTED TO ADVOCATE THESE RESOURCES BECAUSE THE GREATEST THREATS TO THE SURVIVAL OF MANKIND ARE NOT BEING EFFECTIVELY PREVENTED OR RESOLVED. THEY ARE EXPANDING DAILY.**

**ONTOLOGY BASED PROGRAMS ARE A POWERFUL RESOURCE WITH A 45 YEAR REMARKABLE TRACK RECORD OF CONSISTENT SUCCESS IN VARIOUS FIELDS. THEY CAN MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR OFFICIALS TO PRODUCE BREAKTHROUGH RESULTS IN ALL MAN-MADE CHALLENGES.**

The first thing to understand is that many officials are well trained, experienced, intelligent, patriotic, dedicated and even courageous.

In general, the officials are experts in their field and in problem solving.

Despite all their qualities many security and humanitarian challenges have persisted with a great loss of life, many injuries, lost income, people displaced, cities devastated and a tremendous loss of government revenue.

To produce a major breakthrough requires that the problem solvers have the ability to **ACCURATELY IDENTIFY ALL THE CRITICAL ISSUES CONTINUALLY BYPASSED OR MISCONSTRUED**. They are the issues that undermine the problem solver's ardent efforts.

We emphasize the word **ALL** since many officials do not realize there is vital information they are not recognizing.

Once the problematic issues are accurately and fully recognized, it then becomes important to accurately identify everything necessary to reach the point of breakthrough.

To attain the ability to accurately identify EVERYTHING necessary, the problem solvers must dramatically expand the scope of their conscious awareness. That is one of the main functions of ontology based programs. It must be understood that we all function at various levels of conscious awareness, depending on the subject.

The programs have produced outstanding results in the private and public sectors. They have had an amazing track record of consistent success worldwide wherever they have been utilized.

## **1-Basic Results Possible**

There are infinite results possible through program participation. It would be very difficult to list every conceivable possibility. However, the following are the results that one can readily expect:

- The ability to accurately identify critically important issues bypassed. Issues continually unrecognized that undermine the possibility of successful policies, negotiations, strategies, etc.
- The ability for negotiators to recognize pitfalls in the policies they represent.
- The ability for negotiators to recognize prior to and during negotiations any self-defeating pre-existing bias or other factors inhibiting their ability to relate at a level consistent with attaining concrete cooperation that will be continually honored.
- The ability to recognize the fact that *there is always more than one **valid** assessment* of the actions and words of adversaries. The failure to recognize alternative valid assessments is a major factor in initiating conflict, failing to resolve conflicts and the lack of policy and negotiating success.
- The willingness and ability to self-scrutinize policies, negotiations and strategies in far greater depth.
- The ability to recognize the profound connection between harm done in the past and present day troubles. The failure to recognize the longevity and ongoing impact of resentment is a major and widespread failing in foreign relations. See Section 9 regarding filters.

**There are few challenges that cannot be resolved by those able to accurately recognize ALL the factors necessary.**

## **2-Attaining Program Clarity**

It is extremely difficult to attain the level of clarity necessary about these programs from *reading* alone. Thus, it is absolutely required that the prospective user or decision maker speak to a program expert.

The program expert will rectify any misperceptions and discuss the applicability of the various programs to the challenges the prospective user has.

**SOLELY READING ABOUT ONTOLOGY BASED PROGRAMS AND THEIR PROCESSES HAS NEVER GIVEN ANYONE ACCURATE CLARITY. SEE THE SECTION ON “FILTERS”.**

## **3-Ontology Based Programs.....What they are and what they are not.**

Most programs found in academia, through Foreign Service Institutes and at other learning facilities use “common linear learning principles”. In other words information is presented, discussed, researched and papers are written. It is largely about accumulating information and absorbing it into an existing body of

knowledge. The usual goal is to learn a skill, gain special knowledge, prepare for certain professions or functions, etc.

Contrary to linear learning, ontology based programs are “non-linear”. While information is discussed, it is not presented for the participant to memorize anything. They are in part a de-conditioning process where the participant reduces past based learning obstacles allowing their natural and limitless problem solving and creative capabilities to be recognized and utilized.

They do not present or recommend any solutions, formulas, philosophies or methods to adopt and use. They are not “How to do it programs”.

#### **4-Additional Ontology Based Facts to Consider:**

1-Creating breakthroughs are possible when critically important issues bypassed are revealed. Expanding human conscious awareness on the part of those highly committed and highly trained in their profession makes that possible.

2-Human beings have limitless capabilities usually unrecognized and thus not actualized. Without actualizing their capabilities officials will continually struggle to prevent and resolve our greatest threats and suffering. By not actualizing their capabilities, millions will continue to die and suffering needlessly.

3-Most people do not realize that communication has limitless levels. Most do not recognize the many “outside the box” benefits of attaining higher levels of communication.

#### **5-Who Should Pursue Ontology Based Programs?**

The programs we advocate are only for officials who are highly committed and responsible for producing major results. They are open-minded officials and know that they do not have all the answers they need.

They are for people who can easily admit that their policies, strategies or negotiations are not producing the results they seek. They are for those highly committed to resolving their challenges.

#### **6-Ontology Based Communication Programs**

A-Human beings possess limitless communication capabilities. And just as in all other capabilities there are varying levels of conscious awareness which limits access to higher levels of effectiveness.

B-Gaining the access required makes it possible to get through to people commonly thought to be impossible to attain cooperation from.

C-Everyone communicates but most do not realize that those they cannot get through to are simply on a different channel. Those who participate in ontology based communication programs gain access to their latent ability to get on the same channel.

D-Many people think they are good communicators. However, they don't realize that we all filter things being said through our own bias, points of view, training, work and life experiences. This has a profound effect on policies formulated and negotiations executed.

Diplomacy especially related to adversaries is highly compromised by this common occurrence.

When an official is not on the right channel or in sync with negotiating partners, the only outcome is failure to develop a concrete and meaningful agreement that will be honored over time.

Some realize their failures may be because of something they missed. More commonly people simply blame the failure on the other party or circumstances they erroneously believe to be beyond their control.

## **7-Filters- Why We View Circumstances Differently – A Critical Factor in Conflict Prevention and Conflict Resolution**

As explained below we all develop filters through our life experiences that shape how we perceive circumstances or the actions and words of others. The filters shape how we listen, negotiate, evaluate, formulate, communicate and implement solutions.

Many filters are counter-productive in that they diminish the effectiveness of policies and negotiations. Expanding conscious awareness sheds a bright light on the filters and the issues.

Thus the problem solvers become capable of producing unprecedented results.

*“While we think of ourselves as open-minded and objective, in fact our approach to ourselves, our circumstances, our challenges and others is often filtered and obscured by pre-existing notions and ideas—by our upbringing, our beliefs, our values, our training and our past experiences.*

*The filters we have are an all-pervasive influence that profoundly colors our relationships with people, circumstances and how we perceive and evaluate our challenges.”*

*—From a self-actualization program*

The filters can, [a] exclude vital information, [b] diminish objectivity, [c] interpret actions in the negative while ignoring the validity of positive and alternative views, [d] undermine the possibility of effective communication, [e] they can severely reduce the ability of officials to recognize and diminish pre-existing bias and other counter-productive factors.

## **8-Comments on Conscious Awareness**

It is important to understand that the average person does not recognize nor considers the fact that there are various levels of conscious awareness, that they are limitless and that they determine the ability to produce breakthrough results.

Even if they did realize this, most are unlikely to be aware of the fact that there are short and powerful programs capable of expanding their conscious awareness. Thus, many do not realize they are capable of producing results far beyond their current levels of success.

It is the insufficient levels of conscious awareness on the part of officials that results in, [a] vital information bypassed, [b] diminished objectivity, [c] interpreting actions in the negative while ignoring the validity of alternative views, [d] undermining the possibility of effective communication, [e] the inability to recognize the relationship between harm done in the past and problems in the present, [f] the inability or unwillingness to be accountable for counter-productive actions past and present, [g] thinking like victims or potential victims which diminishes the effectiveness of their policies and negotiations and [h] "engaging in the self-defeating blame and change the adversary game."

All the various ontology based program processes dramatically expand conscious awareness. Some people who participate in these short programs are often shocked to realize how far off track they are.

## **9-OIC Policies**

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