

The Bottomline on ROI: What it is, What it is Not, and How to Make it Work

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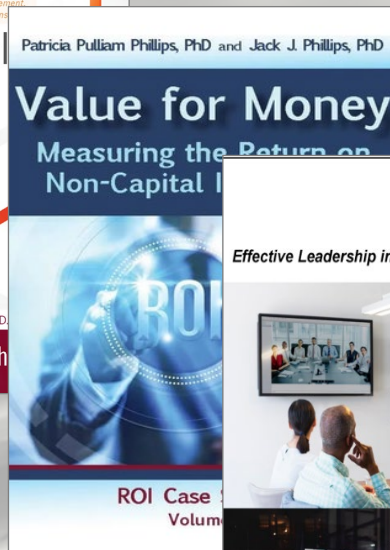
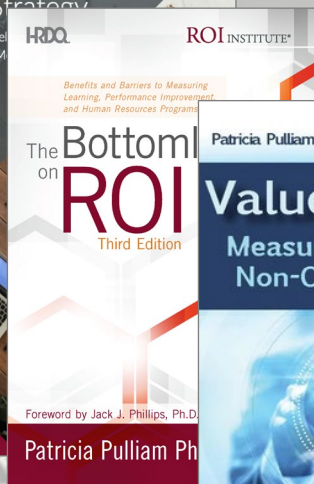
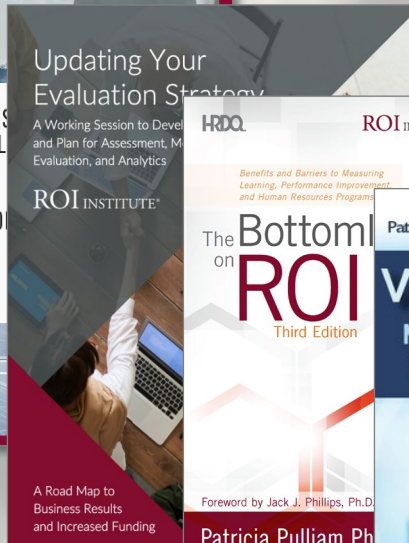
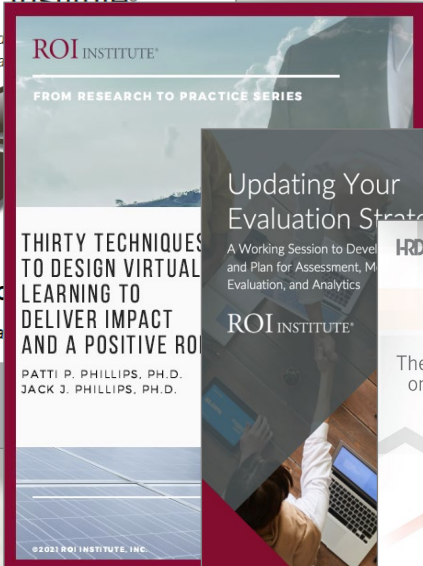
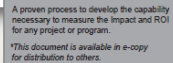
Objectives

After attending this session, participants should be able to:

- Explain why ROI is needed today.
- Identify the five levels of evaluation.
- Identify the 12 steps in the ROI Methodology®.
- Determine where and when to use ROI to maximize results.



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Rapid-fire chat: Why is ROI needed today?

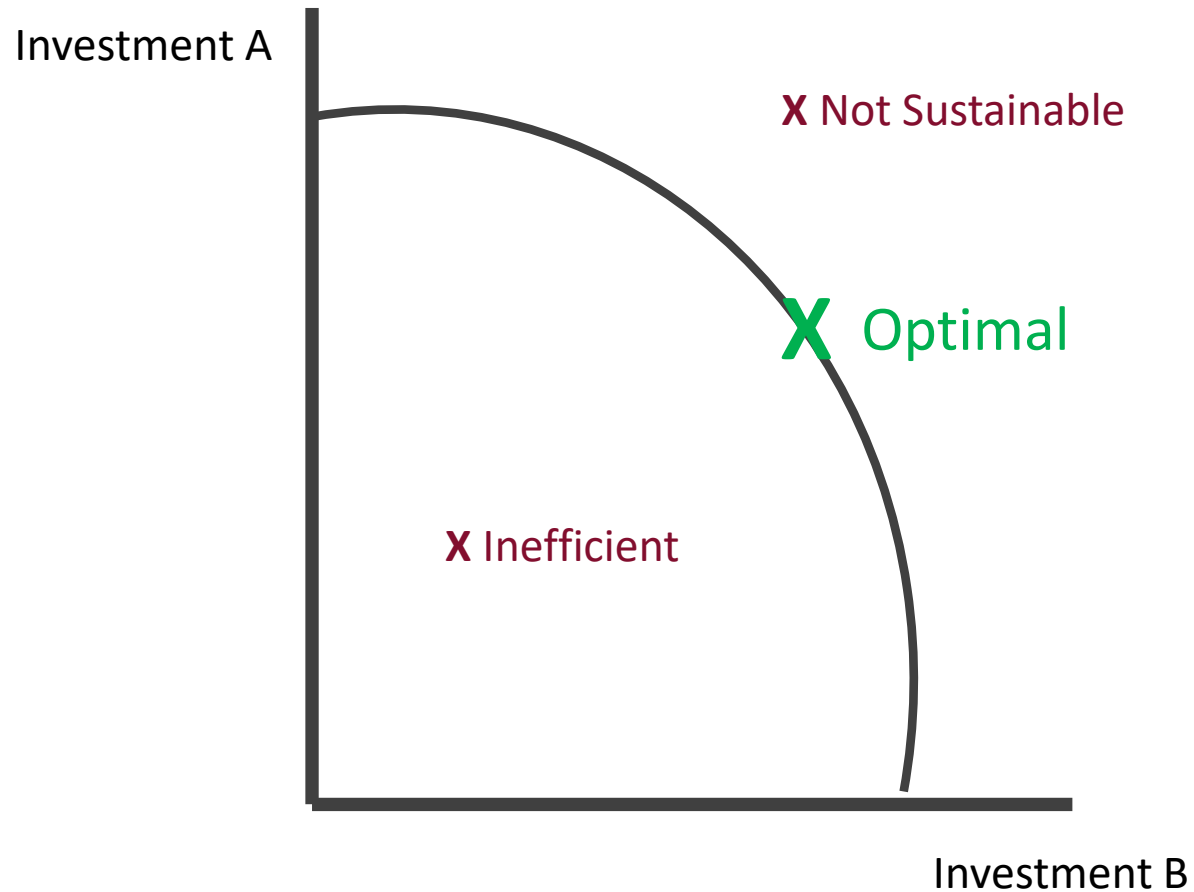
ROI History

In the beginning:

- 200-year history
- Harvard Business Review: dominant method to measure results
- An imprecise measure
- Never should be used alone to make decisions



ROI is Fundamental to Resource Management



Vilfredo Pareto 1848 – 1923
Italian engineer, sociologist, economist
80-20 Rule
Pareto Optimality (aka Pareto efficiency)

“When it is useful to them, men can believe a theory of which they know nothing more than its name.”

What is ROI?

$$\text{BCR} = \frac{\text{Project benefits}}{\text{Project costs}}$$

$$\text{ROI} = \frac{\text{Project benefits} - \text{Project costs}}{\text{Project costs}} \times 100$$



What is ROI?

BCR = _____ =

ROI = _____ x 100 =

Reduce Safety Incidents (1st year) = \$750,000

Program Cost (25 participants) = \$425,000



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Sometimes we see this.

$$\text{BCR} = \frac{\$2,750,000}{\$425,000} = 6.47:1$$

$$\text{ROI} = \frac{\$2,750,000 - \$425,000}{\$425,000} \times 100 = 547\%$$

Increase Store Sales (1st year) = \$2,750,000

Gross profit on sales is 20%

Program Cost (25 participants) = \$425,000



Don't do it!

$$\text{BCR} = \frac{\$2,750,000}{\$425,000} = 6.47:1$$

$$\text{ROI} = \frac{\$50,000 - \$5,000}{\$425,000} \times 100 = 547\%$$

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When sales is the benefit, convert sales to profit.

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BCR uses gross benefits; ROI uses net benefits.

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Five-Level Evaluation Framework

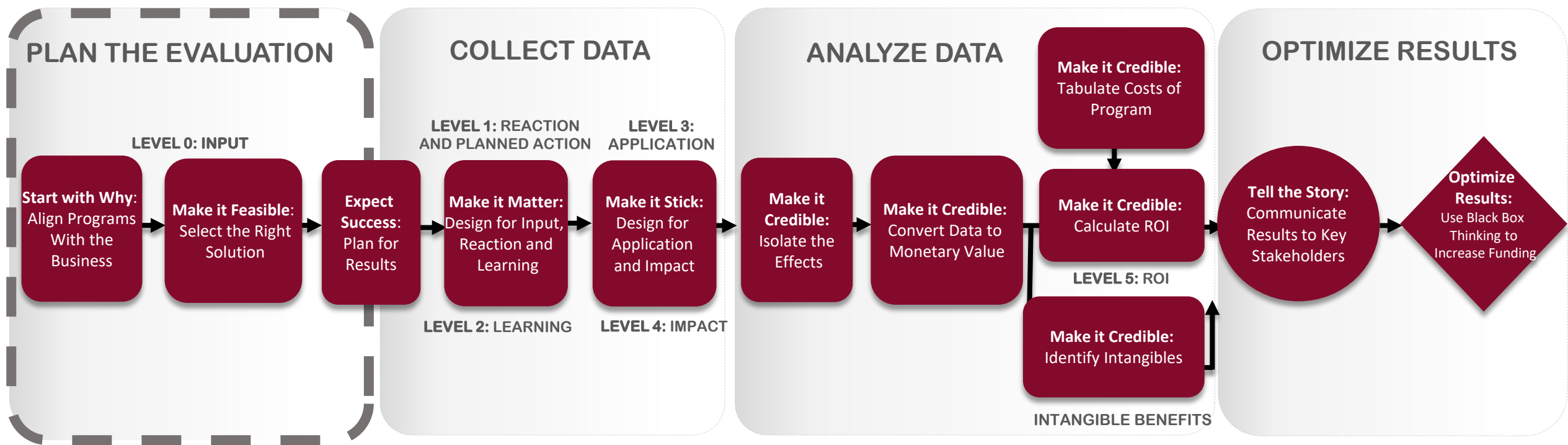
Levels of Evaluation	Measurement Focus	Typical Measures
0. Inputs & Indicators	The input into the project in terms of scope, volume, efficiencies, costs	Participants, Hours, Costs, Timing
1. Reaction & Planned Action	Measures participant satisfaction and captures planned actions, if appropriate	Relevance, Importance, Usefulness, Appropriateness, Intent to use, Motivation to take action
2. Learning & Confidence	Measures changes in knowledge, skills, and attitudes	Skills, Knowledge, Capacity, Competencies, Confidence, Contacts
3. Application & Implementation	Measures changes in behavior or actions	Extent of use, Task completion, Frequency of use, Actions completed, Success with use, Barriers to use, Enablers to use
4. Business Impact	Measures changes in business impact variables	Productivity, Revenue, Quality, Time, Efficiency, Customer satisfaction, Employee engagement
5. Return on Investment	Compares project benefits to the costs	Benefit-Cost Ratio (BCR), ROI%, Payback period

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Katzell developed four steps of training evaluation; Kirkpatrick wrote about four steps of training evaluation; Phillips added economic theory and operationalized the framework by adding process and standards and applying it in practice.

The ROI Methodology Process Model

Designing for the Delivery of Business Results



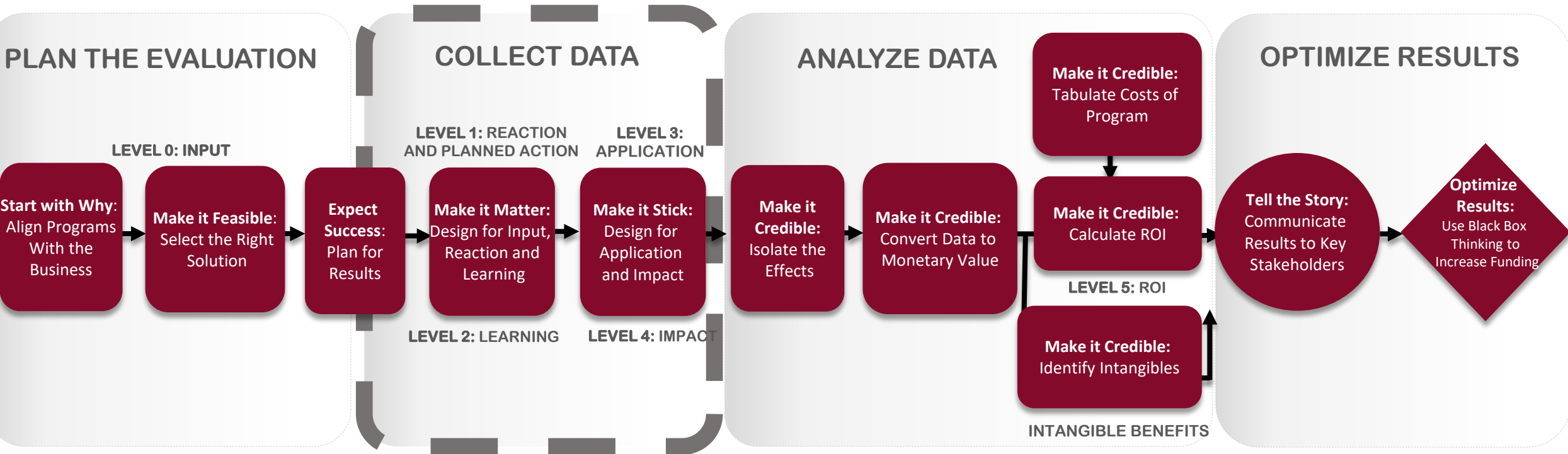
Matching Evaluation Levels with Objectives

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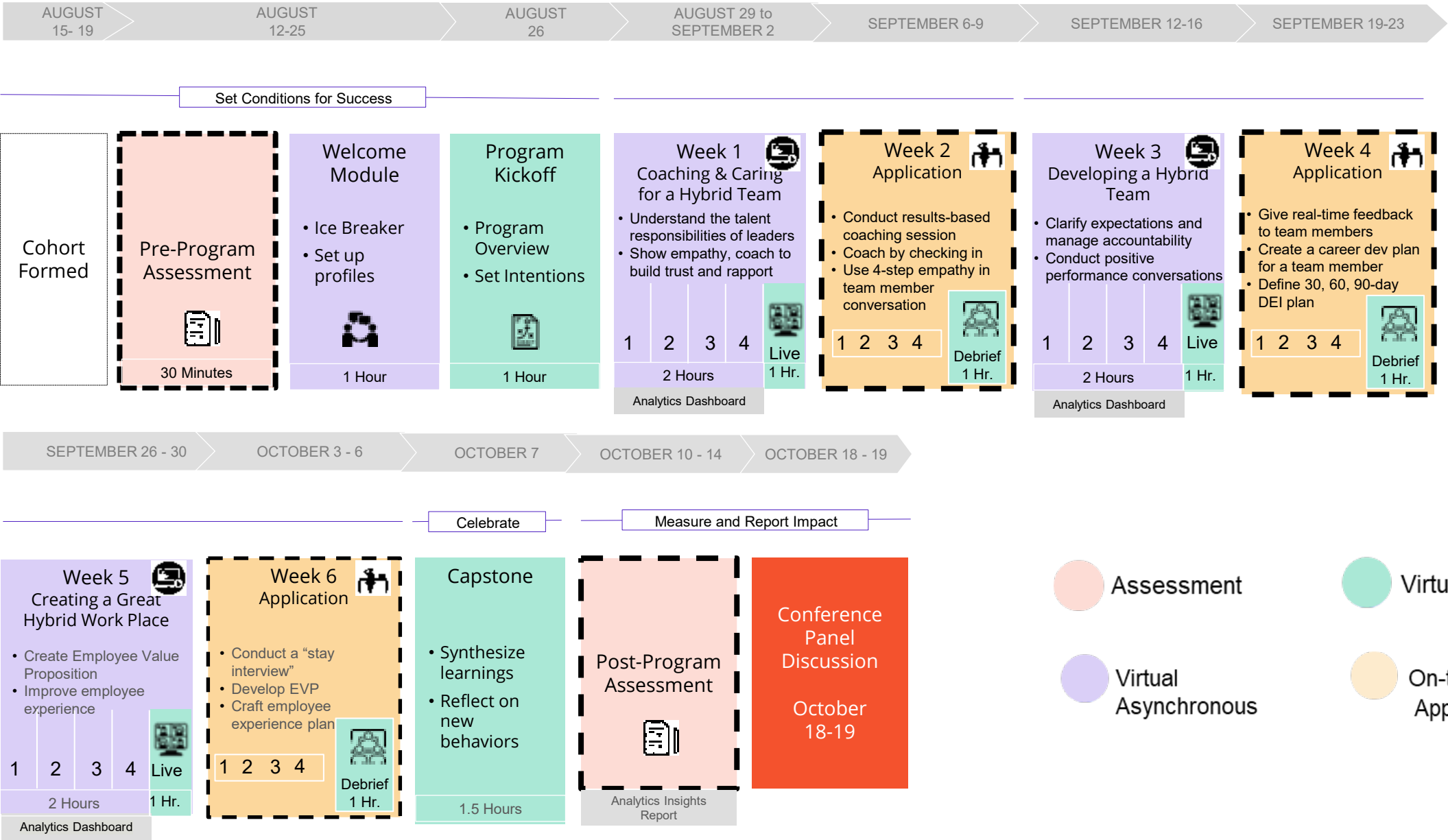
1.	Decrease employee complaints by 20% in one year.	4
2.	Rate the facilitator 4 out of 5 on presentation skills.	1
3.	Decrease the amount of time required to develop a proposal.	4
4.	Achieve a 20% ROI one year after program implementation of a sales incentive system.	5
5.	Perceive the content to be relevant to their actual situations (4.5 out of 5).	1
6.	Decrease security breaches by 25% in six months.	4
7.	Conduct a proper investigation using the seven-step process in 95% of complaint situations.	3
8.	Score an average of 75 or better on new strategy quiz.	2
9.	Complete a disclosure form each year as part of the new ethics policy.	3
10.	Use all 10 negotiation skills in at least 50% of negotiation situations.	3

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Designing for the Delivery of Business Results



Leading in a Hybrid Work Environment: Program at A Glance



Assessment

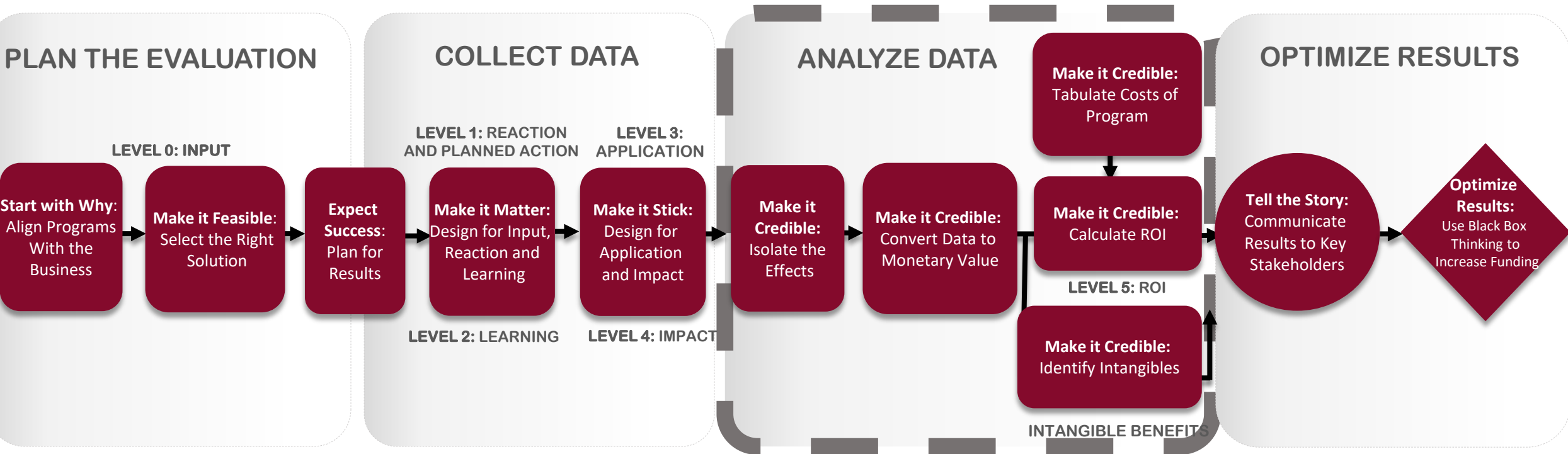
Virtual Synchronous

Virtual Asynchronous

On-the-Job Application

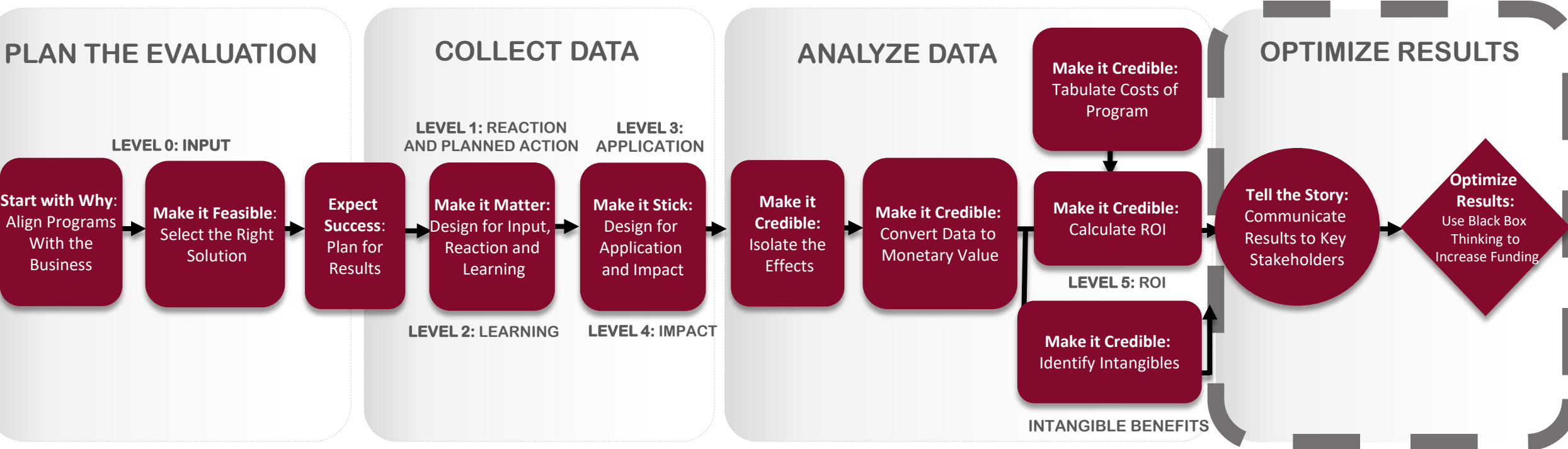
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With more than 20 years of experience in the learning & development industry, **Kaycee Buckley is Director for Global Commerical Talent.** She works with organizational leaders to define talent development, strategies, develop and deploy learning events, and measure the business impact for these training initiatives.



*Just wanted to let you know that I presented the Coaching ROI results to my DVP and the Area Commercial Directors last Thursday. It was AMAZING! They were surprised and not surprised by the results. That is, **they were not surprised that the ROI was negative** because they are all aware that the Sales Managers are not coaching and agreed with the barriers as I had outlined in the study. **They were surprised at what a negative impact “not applying Coaching” was making to the business, which sparked a very productive conversation as to what to do to fix it.***

Wow...such positive outcomes from my stakeholders...and with a negative ROI!

Tell your story. Optimize results.

Guiding Principles

1. When conducting a higher-level evaluation, collect data at lower levels.
2. When planning a higher-level evaluation, the previous level of evaluation is not required to be comprehensive.
3. When collecting and analyzing data, use only the most credible sources.
4. When analyzing data, select the most conservative alternative for calculations.
5. Use at least one method to isolate the effects of a project.
6. If no improvement data are available for a population or from a specific source, assume that little or no improvement has occurred.
7. Adjust estimates of improvement for potential errors of estimation.
8. Avoid use of extreme data items and unsupported claims when calculating ROI.
9. Use only the first year of annual benefits in ROI analysis of short-term solutions.
10. Fully load all costs of a solution, project, or program when analyzing ROI.
11. Intangible measures are defined as measures that are purposely not converted to monetary values.
12. Communicate the results of ROI Methodology to all key stakeholders.

Characteristics of Investments Suitable for Impact & ROI

Linkage of project to operational goals and issues

Importance of project to strategic objectives

Top executive interest in the evaluation

Cost of the project

Visibility of the project

Size of target audience

Investment of time required



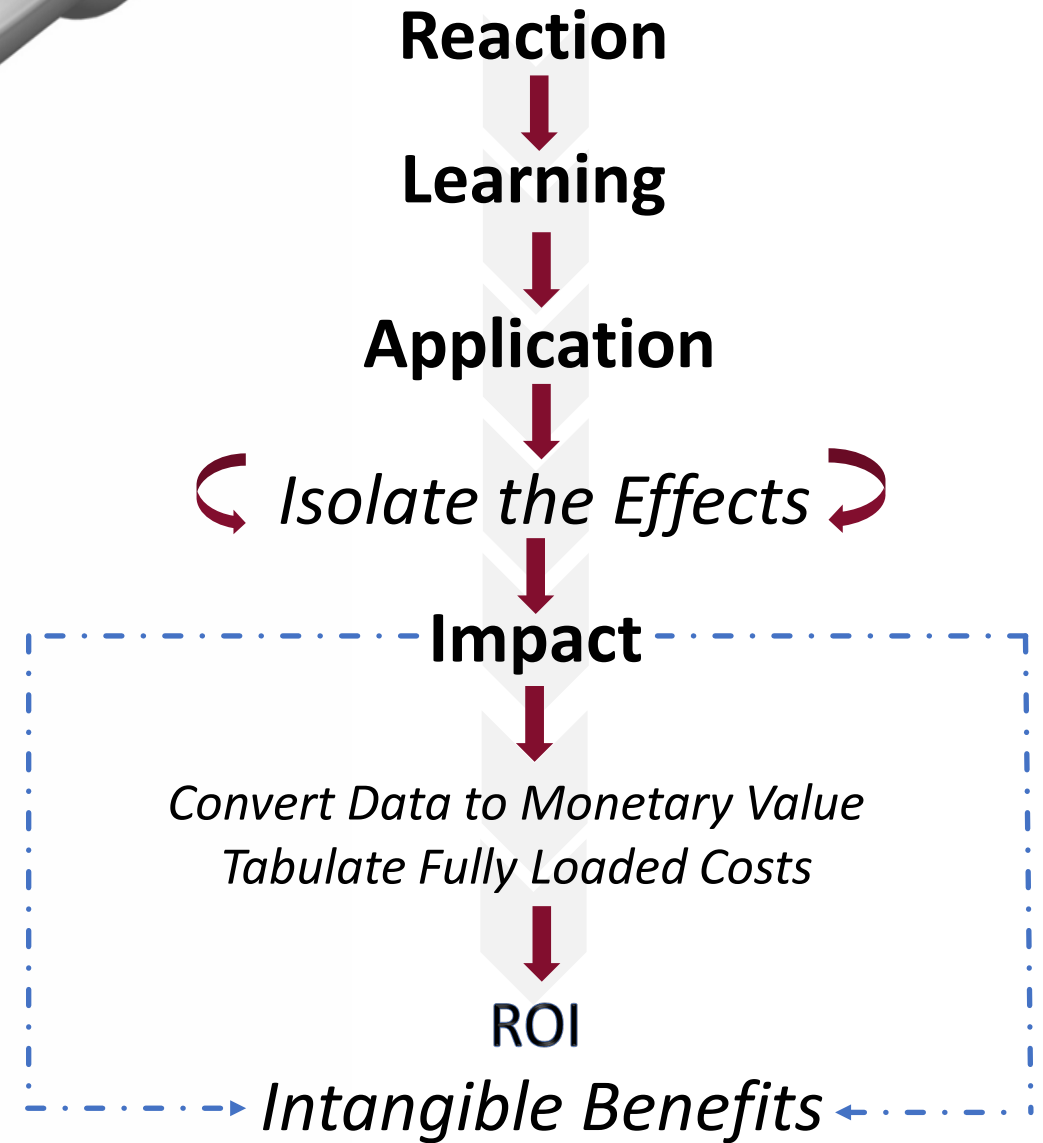
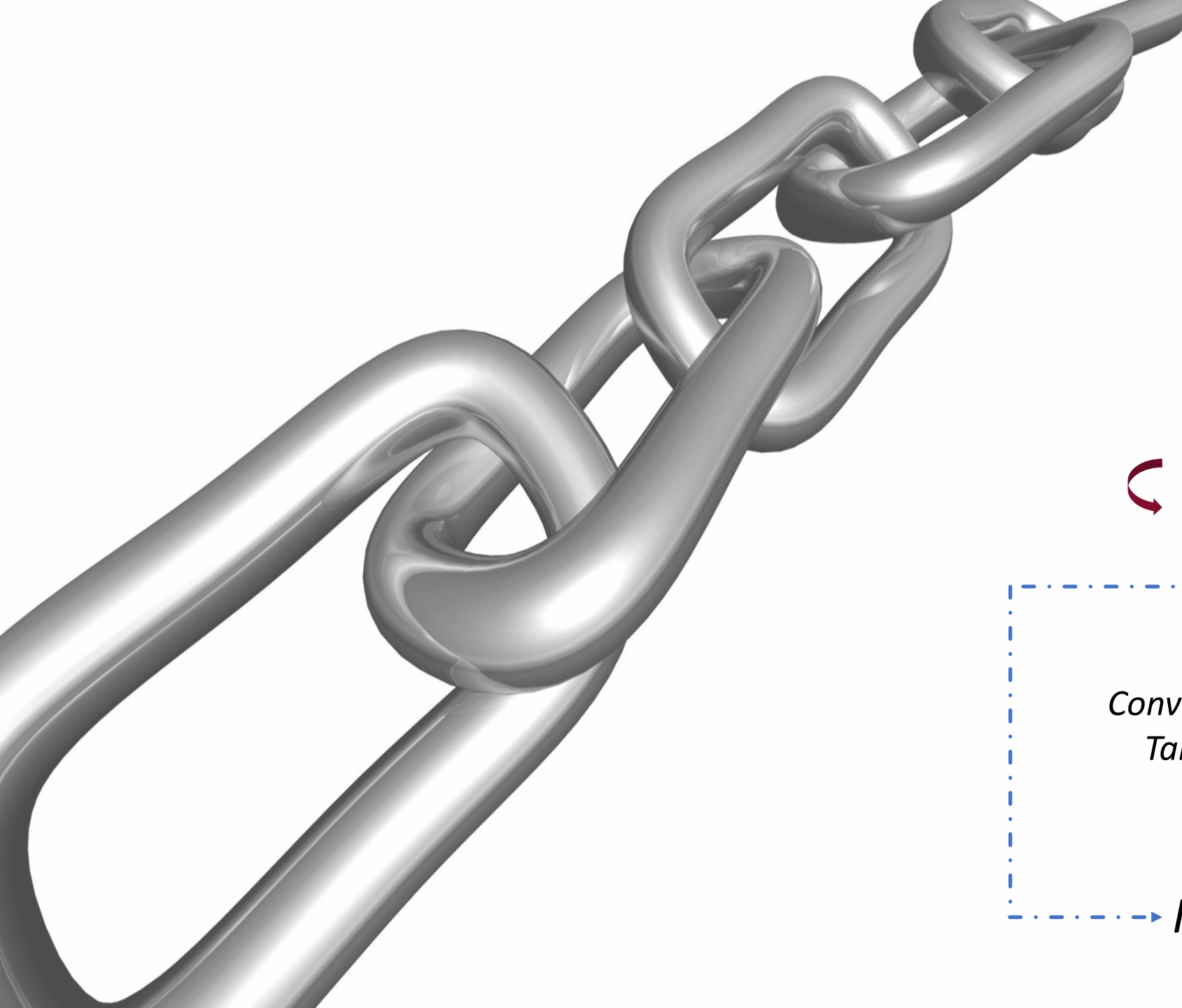
Measurement Targets

*Benchmarking Percentages

	Level	Recommended % of Programs	**Benchmarking %
0	Input	100%	100%
1	Reaction	100%	80%
2	Learning	80-90%	70%
3	Application	30%	49%
4	Impact	10%	37%
5	ROI	5%	18%

*Percentage of programs evaluated at each level per year

**Benchmarking 2020



Sample Case Studies

Effective Meeting Skills

- Impact Measures: Time in Meetings
 - Number of meetings
 - Number of people in meetings
 - Duration of meetings
- Isolation Technique: Estimates
- Data Conversion Technique: Standard Value
- ROI: 470% Target: 25%

Call Center Representative Training

- Impact Measures: Call Escalations
- Isolation Technique: Control Group
- Data Conversion Technique: Standard Value
- ROI: -85% Target: 25%

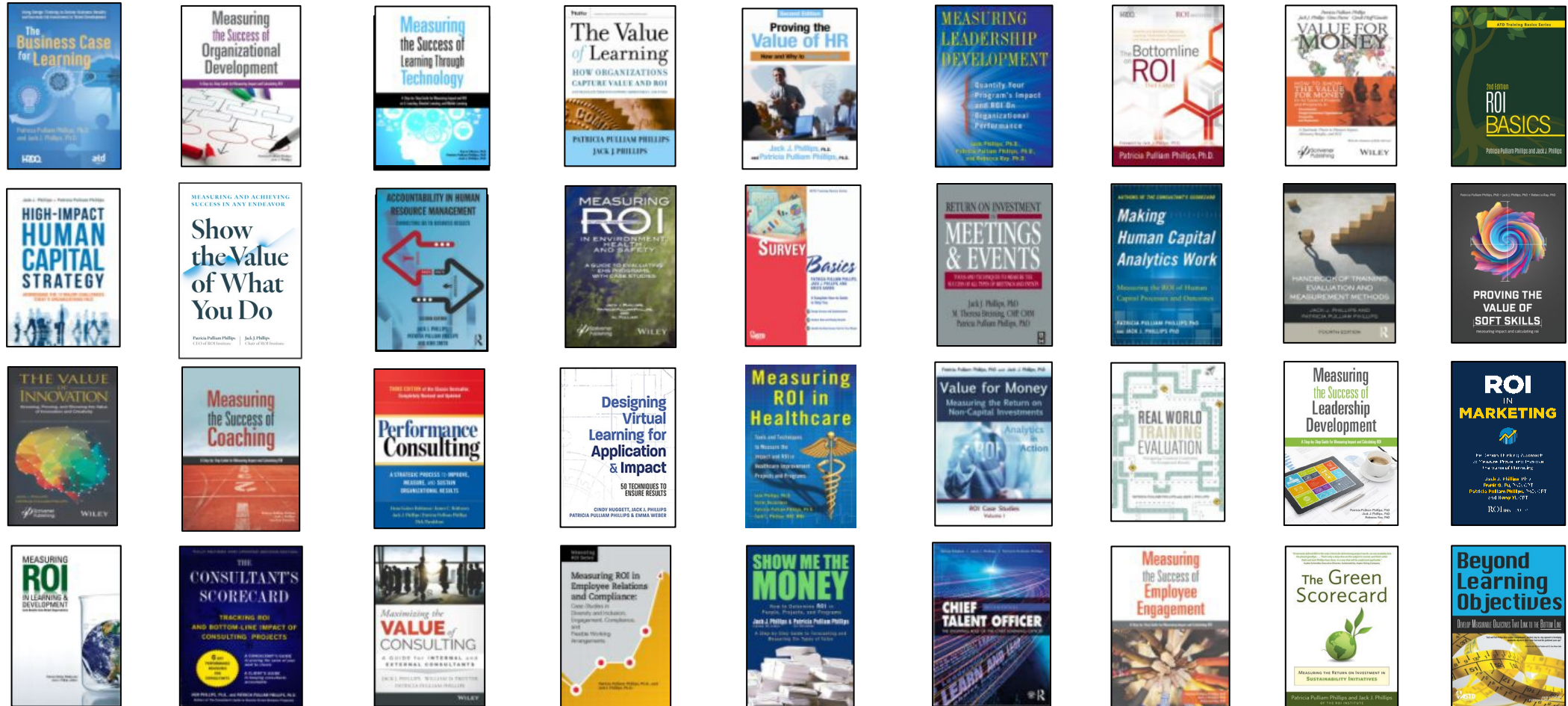
Simulation-Based Sales Training

- Impact Measures: Sales Volume
- Isolation Technique: Control Group
- Data Conversion: Standard Value (Gross Profit on Sales)
- ROI: 42.1% Target: 25%

Leadership Development

- Impact Measures: As Defined by Participants
- Isolation Technique: Estimates
- Data Conversion Technique: Standard values, Direct cost savings
- ROI: 120% Target: 20%

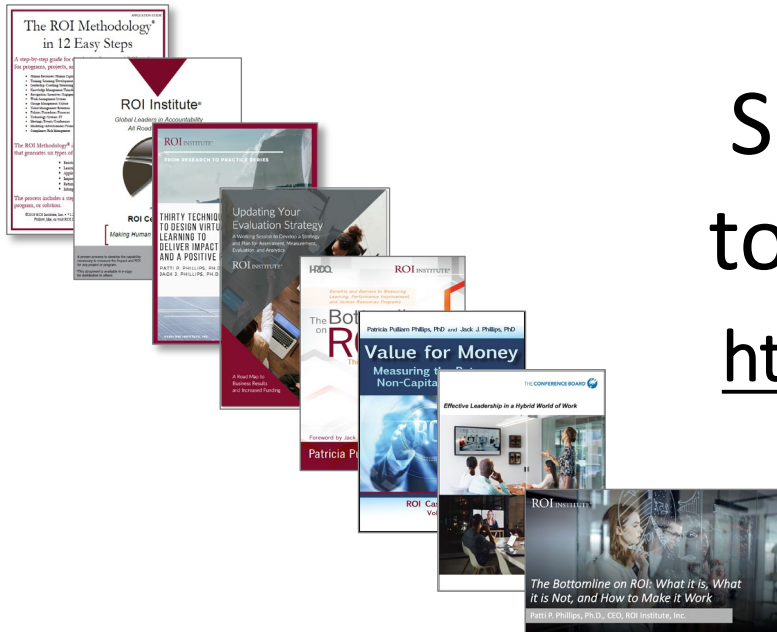
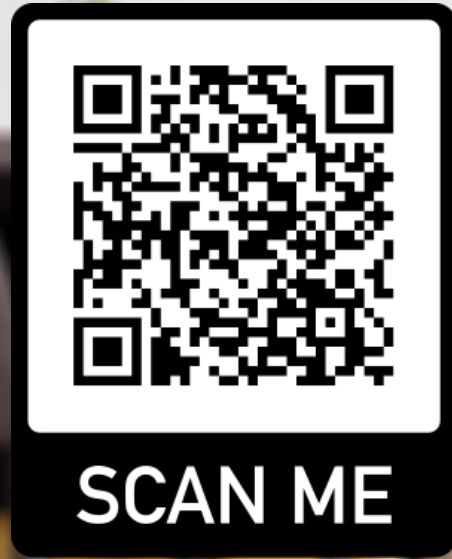
There are more than 75 publications to support the ROI Methodology.





Next Steps

- ✓ Review the resources from today's session.
- ✓ Implement the ROI Methodology.
- ✓ Participate in ROI Certification: a comprehensive learning program, with coaching, and application.
- ✓ Pursue a consulting engagement.



Scan the QR code or click the link below to access resources from today's session.

<https://roiinstitute.net/tmn-the-bottomline-on-roi-2/>



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- The 12 steps in the ROI Methodology
- The 12 guiding principles
- Collecting data at multiple levels
- Isolating the effects of your programs
- Converting data to money
- Calculating ROI



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