Our Principles

Our principles form the founding values of Beyond Budgeting. Six relate to leadership organisation, six to management processes.



Leadership principles

1	PURPOSE	Engage and inspire people around bold and noble causes; not around short-term financial targets	
2	VALUES	Govern through shared values and sound judgement; not through detailed rules and regulations	
	TRANSPARENCY	Make information open for self-regulation, innovation, learning and control; <i>don't</i> restrict it	
4	AUTONOMY	Trust people with freedom to act; <i>don't</i> punish everyone if someone should abuse it	
	ORGANISATION	Cultivate a strong sense of belonging and organise around accountable teams; avoid hierarchical control and bureaucracy	
6	CUSTOMERS	Connect everyone's work with customer needs; avoid conflicts of interest	



Management processes

1	TARGETS	Set directional, ambitious and relative goals; avoid fixed and cascaded targets	
2	FORECASTS	Make forecasting a lean and unbiased process; not a rigid and political exercise	
	RESOURCE ALLOCATION	Foster a cost conscious mind-set. Plan and make resources available as needed; not through detailed annual budget allocations	
4	PERFORMANCE EVALUATION	Evaluate performance holistically to guide interventions; not based on measurement only and not for rewards only	
	REWARDS	Reward shared success against competition; not against fixed performance contracts	
6	COORDINATION	Organise management processes dynamically around business rhythms and events; <i>not</i> around the calendar year only	



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