

# Achieving Professional Success in Male-Dominated Sectors

Breakfast Presentation & Discussion

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#### **Achieving Professional Success in Male-Dominated Environments**

# **Getting Ahead – Make your Voice Heard**

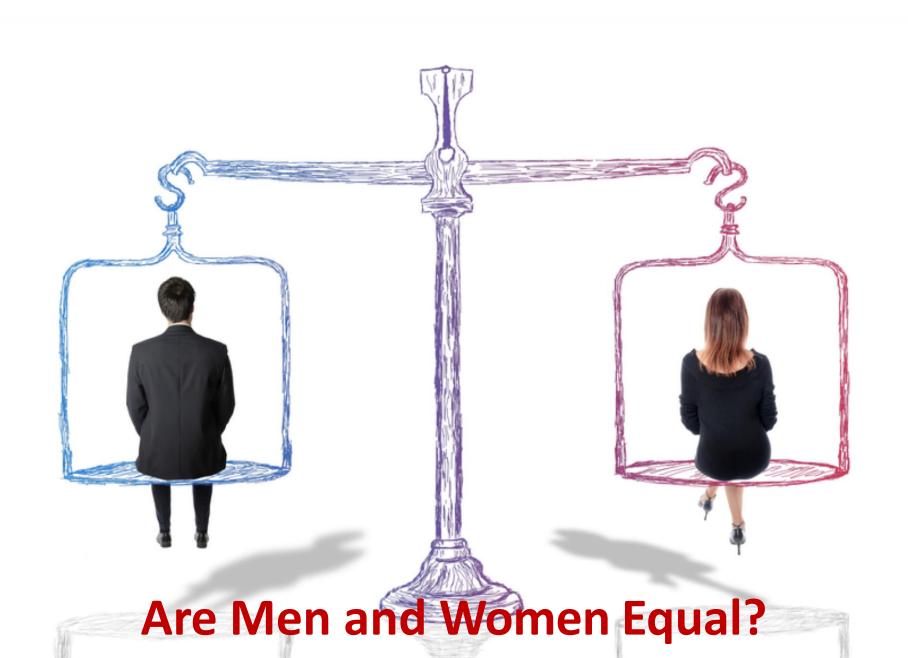
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**Getting Ahead - Achieving Professional Success** 









## THE MALE BRAIN

- 10 percent larger than the female brain
- Stronger front-to-back connections
- Optimized for motor skills

#### **POSSIBLE HEALTH IMPACTS**

- More likely to develop alcohol dependence
- Three times more likely to be diagnosed with antisocial personality disorder
- Four times more likely to have autism
- Twice as like Brattle of the Sexes is like Brattle of the Brattle



## THE FEMALE BRAIN

- Stronger side-to-side connections
- Optimized for intuitive thinking
- More grey matter

#### **POSSIBLE HEALTH IMPACTS**

- Twice as likely to have depression
- Twice as likely to develop
   Alzheimer's disease (in the U.S.)
- Four times more likely to develop multiple sclerosis



#### Women's Leadership Style

"Transformational" – Tying employee self interest to the goals of the organization

Prefer flat structure

Focus on relationships

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Cooperative

Indirect communication style

#### Men's Leadership Style

"Transactional" – Job

performance as a series of

transactions to be rewarded or

disciplined

Prefer hierarchica structure

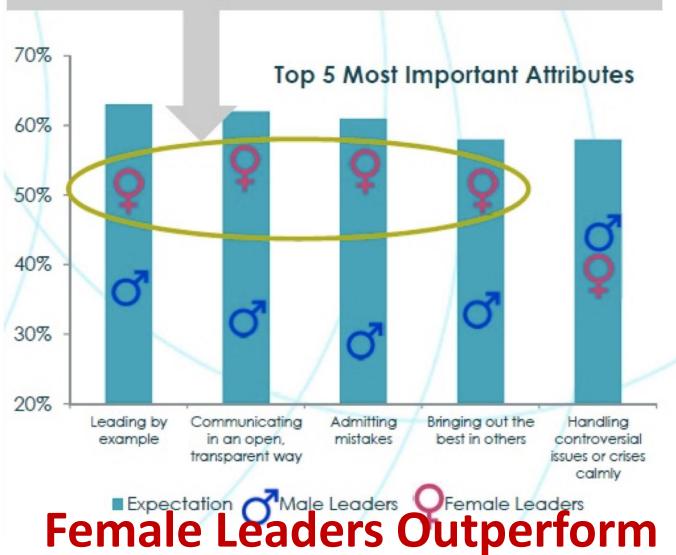
Focus on performance

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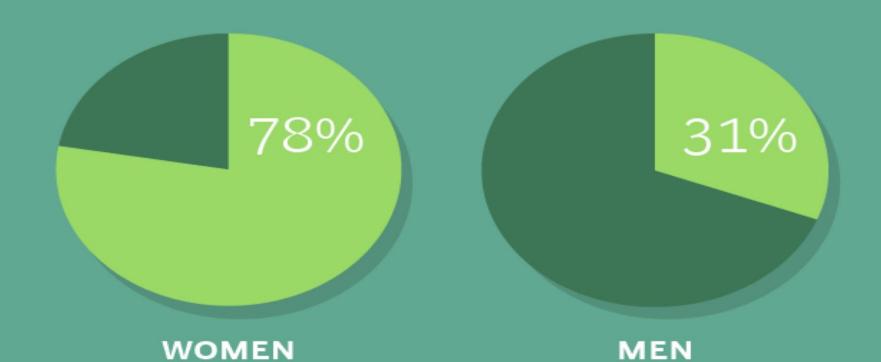
Competitive

Direct communication style

# Female leaders outperform male leaders on most important leader attributes



Startups founded and cofounded by women return 78% per dollar invested versus male-founded startups, which return 31% per dollar invested.



#### **FUNDS INVESTED**



Sources: MassChallenge; BCG analysis.

### Yet Female Founders Under-Invested

						Mixed Rate
Sectors	CEO	CFO	CIO	смо	CHRO	C-Suite
Consumer	9%	15%	18%	25%	48%	23%
Energy	6%	10%	35%	13%	57%	24%
Financials	5%	9%	18%	39%	69%	28%
Life Sciences	<1%	9%	22%	38%	47%	23%
Industrials	4%	12%	18%	26%	54%	22%
Technology	5%	12%	11%	34%	63%	25%
Grand total	5%	12%	19%	29%	55%	24%

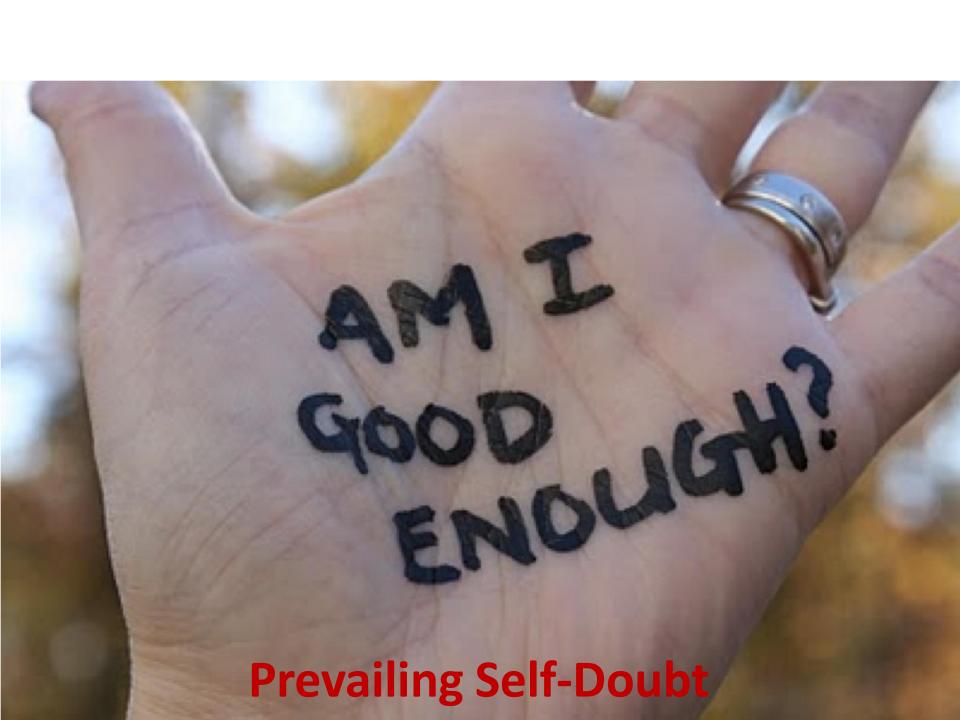
<sup>\*</sup> Includes publicly traded companies and private companies with public financials.

# Women in C-Suite Under-represented

<sup>\*\*</sup> Highlighting indicates highest percentage in each C-suite role.

# **THE CAUSE**



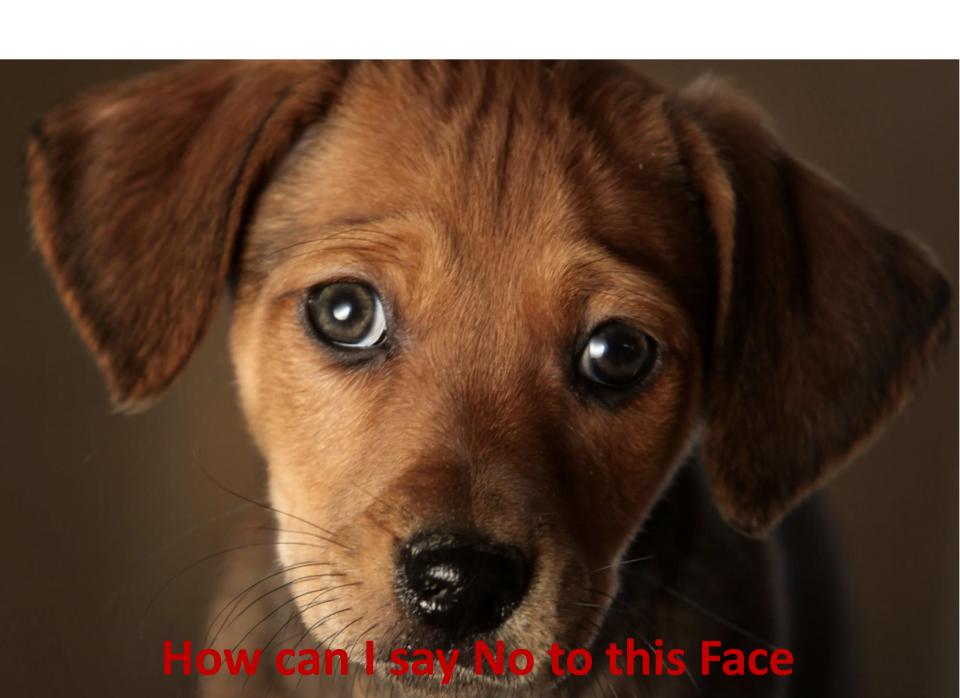














# **THE ACTION**







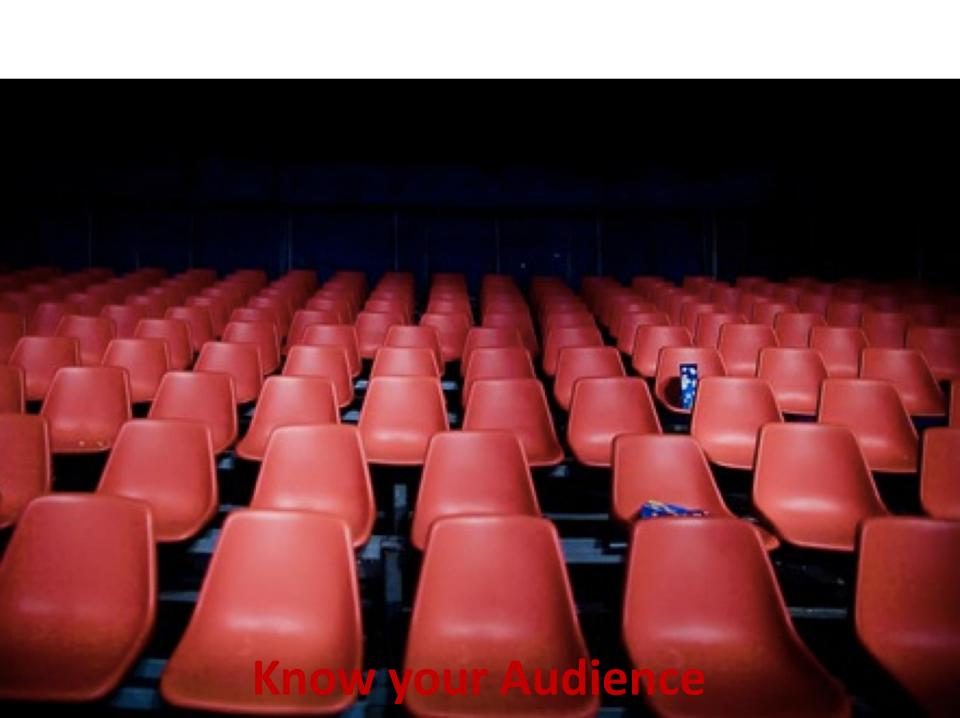


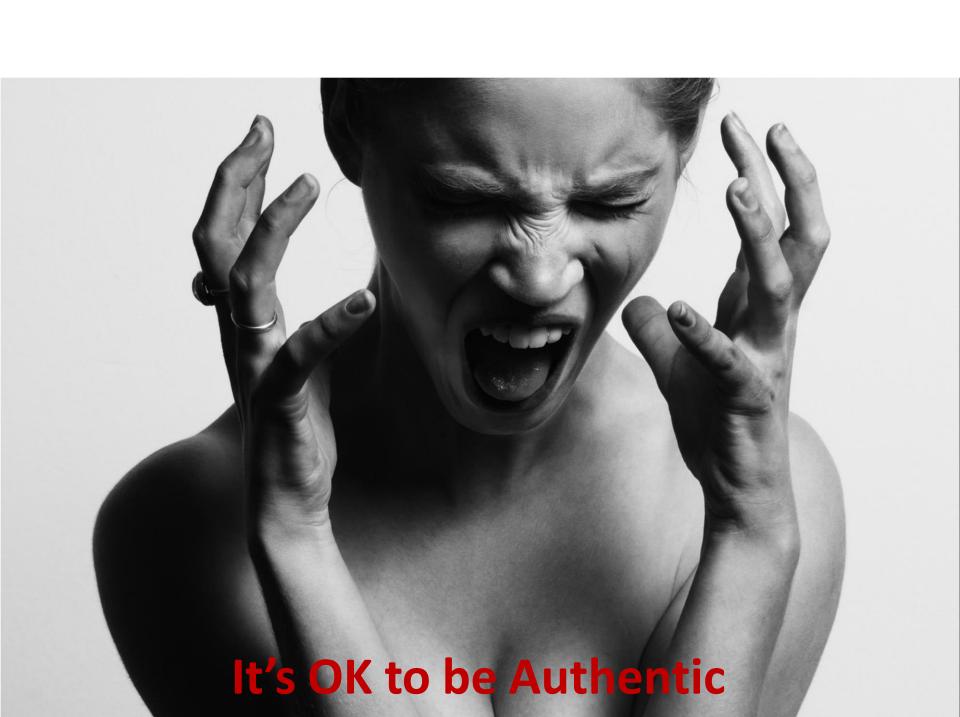
Leverage your Strength



Thick Skin is an Asset, Sometimes











# **THANK YOU**