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Mirror, Mirror on the Wall, or Creating Leadership in the Corporate World



- Historical trajectory: shift to the weakened leaders, strengthened followers (employee activism)
- Social and political changes of the late 1960's and '70s (loss of faith in political leaders, "Feminine Mystique" by B. Friedan)
- The real or perceived decline of the US in comparison with other countries, such as Japan (in the 1970's and '80s), Russia and China (more recently)

Deloitte Business Confidence Report

(conducted 2014)

- Nearly three-quarters (**72%**) of the CXOs who say "cyber risk" is an obstacle to growth **do not prioritize** investments in both technology and incident response.
- More than two-thirds (67%) of those CXOs who cite "competition from emerging markets" as an obstacle to growth do not prioritize their investments in both employees and business strategy.
- More than one-third (**35%**) of the CXOs who cite "shortage of skilled workers" as an obstacle to growth do not prioritize investments in employees, such as advanced recruiting and training programs.

- Lack of discretionary effort in the teams, i.e. training programs are seen as an add-on rather than a must-have to their careers
- Lack of clear link of the training results to the career progression and the bonus systems
- Lack of the unified strategy among the HR toward the individual career development
- Fear of incompetence, i.e. fear of exposing themselves as non-professionals while asking for the training needed

"Many fail to grasp what they have seen, and cannot judge what they have learned, although they tell themselves they know"

Heraclitus

"Darkness is your candle" Rumi

- The best leaders have their egos under control
- A leader must have **integrity**
- **Self-discipline** is central to the leadership in the companies and institutions and to reforming them
- Intellectual and professional intimidation, characteristics of those who believe they are the smartest people in the room, is a poor way to solicit good ideas and avoid big mistakes
- **Courage** is essential for reform



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Thank you! (please keep your mirrors next to you for the future reference©)

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