Psycho-social skills for a Sustainable management

Responsible and sustainable management is a management approach aimed at establishing a healthy and ethical work environment, as sustainable practices aim to protect and preserve our natural surroundings. It emphasizes self-knowledge, self-awareness and balanced interpersonal relationships to create a climate of trust and respect, mirroring the importance of environmental consciousness and responsible resource management. This approach target collaborative efficiency implying engagement of all stakeholders, creativity and employee well-being, and tends to reduce turnover.

More precisely, we are interested here in the importance of human capital, in particular through the development of psycho-social skills:

• Emotional intelligence and empathy: The ability to hear, understand and manage one's own needs and emotions, as well as those of others along with their mental state.

• **Roles and responsibilities assignment**: The ability to identify the capabilities beyond skills and to clearly define the spectrum of action and responsibility of employees

• **Responsible and assertive communication**: The ability to communicate clearly and respectfully, to actively listen to others while asserting one's own rights and needs to establish win-win relationships.

• **Critical thinking**: The ability to objectively evaluate information and arguments, understand cognitive biases, intersubjectivity and automatisms, and question beliefs and perceptions.

• **Stress Management**: The ability to deal with stress and anxiety constructively using relaxation and emotional management techniques.

• **Relationship Management**: The ability to detect judgments and affects in communication, establish and maintain healthy relationships with others, including conflict resolution.

• **Decision making**: The ability to make decisions by rationalizing perceptions, evaluating available information, weighing options, and anticipating consequences.

• **Respect for diversity**: The ability to recognize, accept and value cultural, social and individual differences.

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