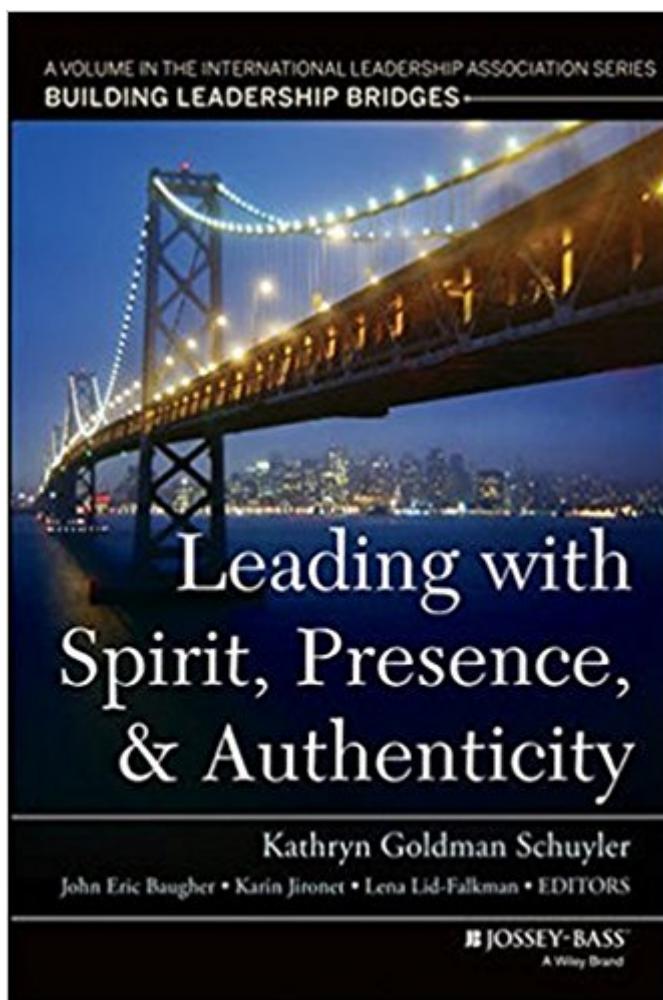


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Leading With Spirit, Presence, And Authenticity: A Volume In The International Leadership Association Series, Building Leadership Bridges



Synopsis

Developing inner wisdom as a leadership strength *Leading with Spirit, Presence, and Authenticity* presents the perspectives of leaders, social scientists, and educators from around the world on the topic of developing inner wisdom. Structured around the notions of spirit, presence, and authenticity, the book encourages readers to reflect on their own lives as they read about their colleagues' diverse experiences, all in an effort to address difficult global systems challenges with a foundation of various wisdom lineages and practices. Each chapter is introduced by an editor with deep background experience in the topic at hand, and the book includes an examination of research on the essential nature of authenticity among leaders. Stories of leadership initiative from across nations illustrate the truly global nature of leadership inspiration, and accounts of teaching mindfulness, guiding leaders, and leading in the arts and humanities integrate critical theory with authentic leadership development. Topics include: Subtle interdependencies involved in modern leadership The contribution of sociological mindfulness to leadership education Authentic leadership as communicated through technology The role of spirit, and what the world needs from leaders A diverse mix of contributors, including a Sufi teacher, a social science journal editor, and a CEO, provide a truly inclusive examination of the ways a leader is defined by self and others. *Leading with Spirit, Presence, and Authenticity*, a volume in the International Leadership Series *Building Leadership Bridges* from the International Leadership Association, helps connect ways of researching, imagining, and experiencing leadership across cultures, over time, and around the world.

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This is a well-written and thought provoking book (SEN Magazine, May 2016)

Leading with Spirit, Presence, and Authenticity presents voices from around the world focused on developing leaders' inner wisdom. Edited by an international team of scholars, readers will want to reflect on their own choices as they read of their colleagues' diverse experiences teaching mindfulness, coaching leaders, and leading. The carefully selected chapters offer thoughtful discussions by a CEO, a globally noted consultant, an African higher education administrator, and a Japanese change agent, alongside experiences and research by educators from four continents. In keeping with the mission of the International Leadership Association, the Building Leadership Bridges series connects ways of researching, imagining, and experiencing leadership across cultures, over time, and around the world. Praise for *Leading with Spirit, Presence, and Authenticity* • Ian I. Mitroff, professor emeritus, University of Southern California • "This book is a timely reminder that leadership takes courage to remain in the present moment, to accept the ambiguity and uncertainty that is often part of the present, and to be willing to ask probing questions to start the conversation. I come away with the certainty that I need to read it again and again to appreciate the new way of thinking that the thought-provoking questions found in the chapters have stirred up within." • Dawn Brown, head of Perception Shift, international speaker, author, and psychotherapist • "Professor Goldman Schuyler has the unique talent of being able to combine the best of social science with profound humanitarian insights, as well as psychological perspectives and a good heart. The readers of her book will be better for it, on more levels than they will at first realize." • Amitai Etzioni, author of *My Brother's Keeper* • "This is by no means a standard leadership book. Rather, it emphasizes the possibilities of higher purpose in leadership. It focuses on spiritual practice, awareness, mindfulness, and ways to develop in these, in multiple types of leadership settings and from multiple religious traditions. It illustrates the value of such development for leadership action aimed at creating a better world. It will be very inspirational for aspiring leaders and current leaders alike." • Jean M. Bartunek, professor, Management and Organization Department, Boston College

An inspiring book on how to organize and bring people, corporations, and the global community together to create positive change.

It was a pleasure to read such a thoughtful and well-written book regarding leadership. Authors from around the world each contributed to the understanding of ways to achieve effective leadership and the importance of effective leadership in today's world. The authors offer us an opportunity to be reflective about the choices we make as leaders. Definitely a rich and rewarding read!

Amazingly clear presentation of what it takes to "Lead," in ways that respect the demands of business and still totally respect the needs of people. Also excellent time to deliver this book to an unfortunately divisive world. The message that rings loudest for me, are the significantly thought-provoking questions posed throughout the book. Dr. Goldman-Schuyler must have led the development of this book in keeping with the advice offered, since the authenticity of her editorial voice - plus the voices of her editorial team - provide a strong underpinning throughout this consistently powerful book.

This is a rich, wide-ranging and thoughtful book about subjects that should be, but too often are not discussed by leaders and teams in organizations. Mindfulness, spirit, authenticity, trust and openness can be challenging topics to explore with leaders struggling with rational and edgy day-to-day problems. And yet these are exactly the subjects that are necessary to stimulate the personal growth required of leaders to catalyze system and culture change. The authors' descriptions and application of these sensitive and essential subjects are eminently practical and useful. They make the topics accessible and create a framework for substantive conversations with leaders possible.

Leading with Spirit, Presence, & Authenticity is a wonderful book that focuses on how mindfulness, spirit, authenticity, trust, and openness is absolutely necessary for today's leaders. Chapter Four, The Dance of Joyful Leadership is what spoke to me the loudest. "naming our shared values is essential to our team's success. By having the courage to lead with mindfulness, we can have joy in sharing this leadership dance together. You will find this book such a wonderful resource on becoming the leader that inspires positive change in ourselves and others.

This book is a timely reminder that leadership takes courage to remain in the present moment, to accept the ambiguity and uncertainty that is often part of the present, and to be willing to ask probing questions to start the conversation. I come away with the certainty that I need to read it again and again to appreciate the new way of thinking that the thought-provoking questions found in the chapters have stirred up within.

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