"GETTING YOUR WAY" "I Opt"™ Strategic Style Communication Strategies

REACTIVE STIMULATOR INFORMATION PREFERENCES

- Concentrate on major points— *give details only on request*
- Focus on near-term <u>action</u>— give "logic" only if required
- Pace delivery rapidly— use short and intense bursts
- Motivate with emotion— be demonstrative, use emphasis
- Mention the need for change— *justify only on request*
- Use hard facts and expectations— try not to be "subtle"
- Hold brief, frequent sessions- RS's tend to bore easily
- Provide reinforcements— *do not expect long retention*
- Tell what is wanted— expect fast action, be sure what you want

LOGICAL PROCESSOR INFORMATION PREFERENCES

- Be logical, internally consistent— *be unemotional in delivery*
- Expect skepticism— offset it with visible integrity
- Use extensive operational details- what is and will happen
- Concentrate on near- term, action oriented issues
- Justify changes— show HOW things will be better
- Identify benefits— precision, efficiency, ease of doing, etc
- Clearly define expectations— *clearly target desired outcome*
- Hold long, intensive sessions— LP's do not bore easily
- Prepare for challenges and questions— expect to be tested
- Expect change to take time— *LP's like to be sure of things*

RELATIONAL INNOVATOR INFORMATION PREFERENCES

- Concentrate on major points— give details only on request
- Outline the major concepts- service, innovation, impact, etc.
- Pace delivery rapidly— use short and intense bursts
- Motivate with emotion— be demonstrative, use emphasis
- Explain the "what" and "why" of change- less on HOW
- Use analogies ("its just like....) and comparisons- extensively
- Condense and focus— *RI's do not have long attention spans*
- Provide reinforcements— do not expect long retention
- Expect new ideas and modifications— *be flexible/adaptive*

HYPOTHETICAL ANALYZER INFORMATION PREFERENCES

- Use consistent presentation— be unemotional in delivery
- Outline long-term consequences— even for short-term ideas
- Provide a "big picture" framework— show how it "fits in"
- Expect skepticism— *offset it with visible integrity*
- Offer methodological details— what you did to get proposal
- Justify changes— show WHY things will be better
- Explain other options considered— be sure not to miss any
- Hold long, intensive sessions— HA's do not bore easily
- Prepare for challenges and questions— expect to be tested
- Expect change to take time— HA's like to be sure of things