

# **WEBINAR SPEAKER**



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- ✓ Understanding & Recognizing Styles
- ✓ Tailoring your communication
- ✓ How styles respond under stress





### SCOPE & SCALE

IWCO Direct's production platform supports client campaigns of 1 to 60,000,000+ packages monthly

5+ Billion Annual Capacity Direct mail AND integrated direct marketing

| 15  | Commercial and forms presses                      | 250,000,000 monthly        |
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| 16  | Digital variable color presses                    | <b>250,000,000</b> monthly |
| 48  | Continuous laser printers                         | 275,000,000 monthly        |
| 6   | Continuous inkjet printers                        | 200,000,000 monthly        |
| 8   | 4-color read/write inkjet envelope printers       | <b>60,000,000</b> monthly  |
| 12  | Envelope converters                               | 350,000,000 monthly        |
| 191 | Inserters   | <b>450,000,000</b> monthly |
| 68  | Continuous-form bindery lines                     | <b>770,000,000</b> monthly |
| 12  | Delivery-point bar code sorters                   | 250,000,000 monthly        |
| 36  | Promotional/Membership card personalization units | 130,000,000 monthly        |

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### **OVERVIEW**

#### Personality Styles

- Understand the 4 social styles
- How to recognize the styles
- How to tailor your communication to compliment the styles
- How styles respond under stress and conflict

### PERSONALITY ASSESSMENT

| Social Styles<br>(Merrill/Reid) | Analytical              | Driver                  | Expressive            | Amiable                |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Hippocrates                     | Melancholic             | Choleric                | Sanguine              | Phlegmatic             |
| Jung                            | Thinker                 | Director                | Intuitor              | Feeler                 |
| Meyers-Briggs                   | Introvert/Think er      | Extrovert/Think er      | Extrovert/Feele r     | Introvert/Feele<br>r   |
| Drucker                         | Thought Man             | Action Man              | Front Man             | People Man             |
| LIFO (Atkins)                   | Conserving –<br>Holding | Controlling –<br>Taking | Adapting –<br>Dealing | Supporting -<br>Giving |
| DISC                            | Compliance              | Dominance               | Influencing           | Steadiness             |
| Lefton                          | Submissive-<br>Hostile  | Dominant-<br>Hostile    | Dominant-<br>Warm     | Submissive-<br>Warm    |

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### **UNDERSTANDING DIFFERENT STYLES**

#### << Assertiveness >>

#### **Less Assertive Behaviors**

- Infrequent use of gestures and voice intonation to emphasize points More patient and cooperative
- Often makes qualified statements
- Gentle handshake
- Infrequent contributor in groups
- More likely to wait for others to introduce themselves
- Reserves expressions of opinions

#### **More Assertive Behaviors**

- Frequent use of gestures and voice intonation to emphasize points
- Less patient; more cooperative
- Often makes emphatic statements
- Sustained eye contact
- Firm handshake
- Frequent contributor in groups
- More likely to introduce themselves
- Expresses opinions readily

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### **UNDERSTANDING DIFFERENT STYLES**

#### << Responsiveness >>

#### Less Responsive behaviors

- Keeps feelings private
- Limited range of facial expressions
- More formal and proper
- Avoids/minimizes physical contact
- Goes with the agenda
- Speaks in specifics; cites facts
- Formal handshake
- Conversation stays on subject

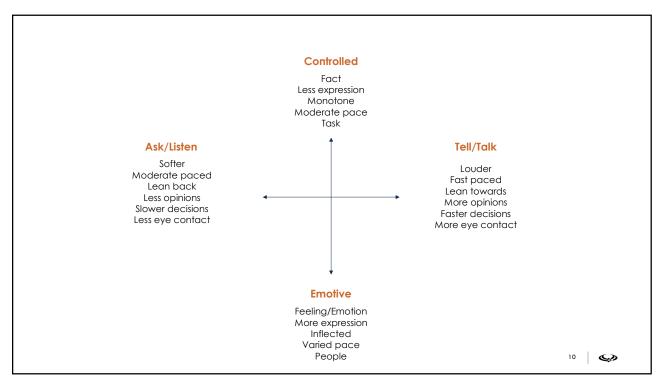
#### More Responsive behaviors

- Shows feelings and emotions More relaxed and warm
- Emphasizes main ideas Goes with the flow
- Conversation includes digressions
- Opinion-related
- Animated facial expressions
- Friendly handshake
- Initiates / accepts physical contact

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### **ANALYTICAL**

Ask/Control



#### "I'd rather be right than quick"

What excites them: reason

Greatest asset: high-quality work

Greatest failing: too critical

**Greatest fear:** irrationality

Strengths: planning, analyzing

Weakness: perfectionist, overly critical

Irritation: unpredictability

Fear: criticism or mistakes

Motivator: progress

#### What it sounds like

"Now, let's look at this logically."

"Is that really the right thing to do? Can we justify that?"

"Let's take the first step. Then we can decide step two."

"Give me all the facts first."

"What guidelines make sense for this project?"

"Precisely what do you mean?"

"I don't want any surprises."

"Have we touched all the bases?"



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### **DRIVER**

Tell/Control



#### "Lets do it my way"

What excites them: action

Greatest asset: out-accomplish anybody

Greatest failing: can't stand weakness

Greatest fear: being soft

Strengths: administration, taking initiative

Weakness: impatience, insensitivity

Irritation: indecision

Fear: failure

Motivator: winning

#### What it sounds like

"Tell him I want it done ASAP."

"Let's get this settled right now."

"What's the bottom line?"

"Cut to the chase: what are the options?"

"Here's how we'll proceed...."

"I want to win this battle - no ifs, ands, or buts."

"Tell me what the goal is."

"You handle it – but keep me informed."



### **AMIABLE**

Ask/Emote

"It's not whether you win or lose, it's how many friends you have"

What excites them: Relationships Greatest asset: easy to get along with

Greatest failing: Timidity

Greatest fear: change, conflict Strengths: servicing, listening

Weakness: oversensitivity, indecision

Irritation: others setting deadlines for them

Fear: rejection, sudden change

Motivator: involvement

#### What it sounds like

"I'd like to go kind of slow on this. Is that okay?

"Have we determined the impact of this on staff?"

"I'm not yet sure about that change."

"I really enjoy working with you"

"I'd like to help you however I can."

"We can work this out, I'm sure."

"How do you really feel about this?"

"How's this likely to end up? I'd like to know first."



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### **EXPRESSIVE**

**Tell/Emote** 



#### "Let me entertain you"

What excites them: tossing ideas around

Greatest asset: fun to be around Greatest failing: undisciplined

Greatest fear: not being liked

**Strengths:** persuasion, interacting with

others

Weakness: disorganization, carelessness

Irritation: routine Fear: of pain

Motivator: recognition

#### What it sounds like

"Hey! Here's an idea! Whattya think?"

"Why don't you noodle on that concept for a while."

"I feel this is the way to go..."

"tell me what you think about..."

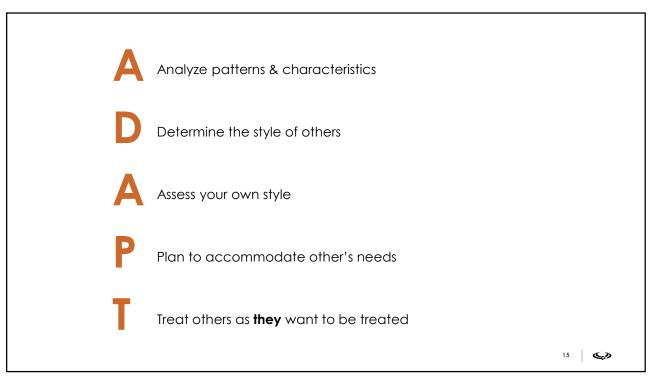
"Spare me the details. Just give me the drift."

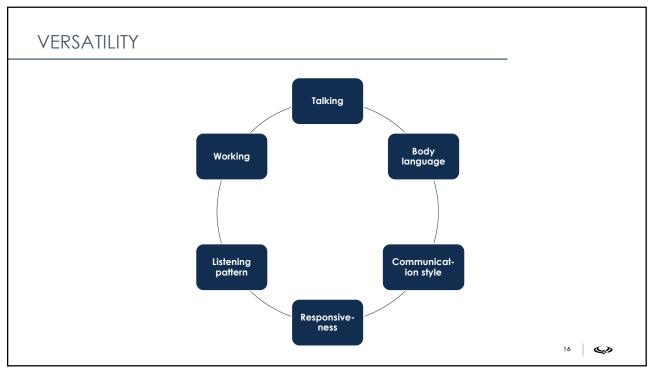
I think we're making good progress, now let's..."

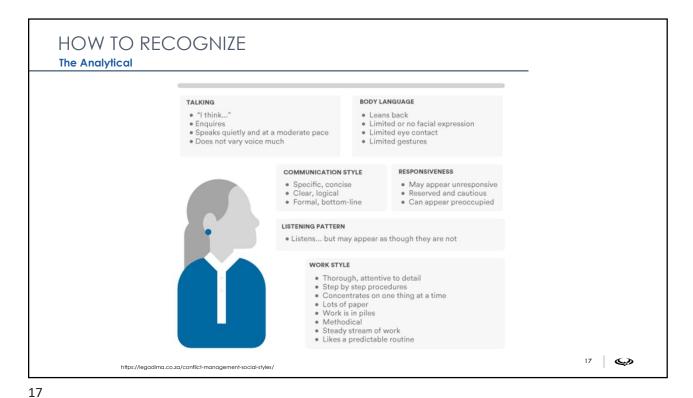
"My sense is that..."

"Let's try it a different way, just for kicks"









### **ANALYTICAL**

#### Prioritize precision and competency

#### Cautious and highly systemic

#### Try to...

Provide as many details as possible up front, organized as systematically as you can.

Give them clear expectations and space to work independently (they're really good at it!).

Expect them to double- and triple-check all the relevant info before making a decision.

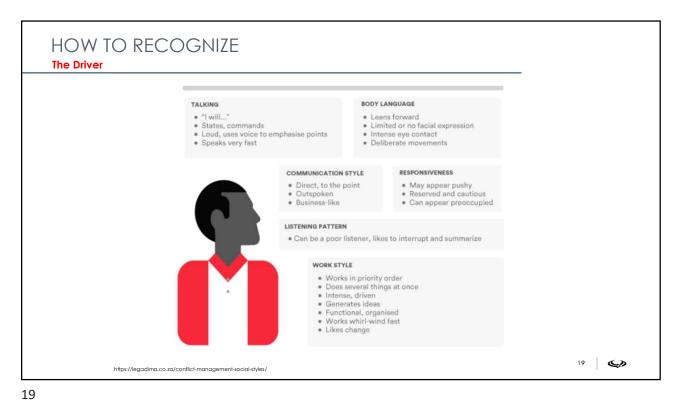
#### Avoid...

Framing feedback on their work as "criticism."

Responding to them emotionally – use words like "know" or "think" instead of "feel."

Expecting them to ease into a conversation with chit-chat.





### **DRIVER**

Love action & focused on results

Think big picture, leave implementation details to others

#### Try to...

Get right down to business, and stay on topic.

Be prepared to field follow-up questions on the spot so you can answer with confidence.

Expect them to be decisive and fairly blunt.

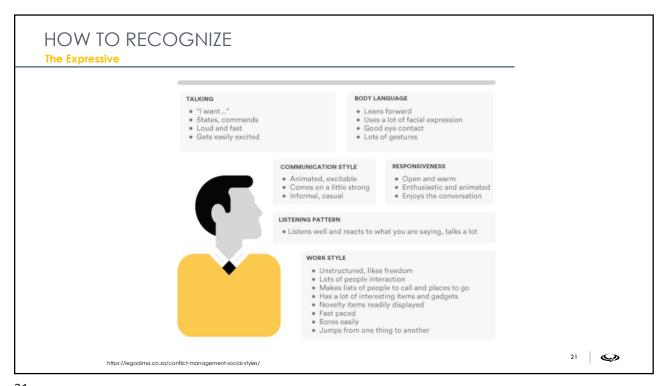
#### Avoid...

Taking their bluntness, follow-up questions, and/or impatience personally.

Making promises you can't deliver on.

Expecting them to open up about their weekend plans.





### **EXPRESSIVE**

Classic "people" people, thrive on relationships

Think big picture, leave implementation details to others

#### Try to...

Approach them in a casual manner, and let your sense of humor show.

Put details and facts in writing for them to refer back to after a verbal conversation.

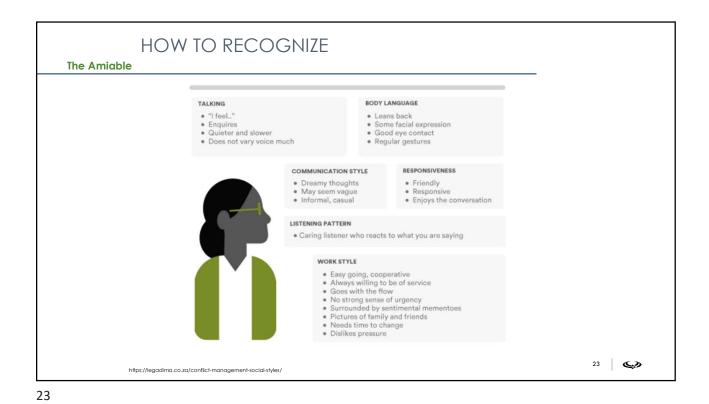
Expect them to be a little too optimistic about ideas, as well as their own abilities and the abilities of those around them.

#### Avoid...

Talking down to them or being curt.

Trying to confine the conversation or stifle their freedom to express ideas and emotions.

Expecting them to dive deep into the details with you.



## **AMIABLE**

Cooperative, don't upset the apple cart

Value consistency, stability and loyalty

#### Try to...

Practice active listening, confirm that you've heard them by summarizing what they've just said to you.

Approach them with a relaxed vibe, and break the ice by acknowledging a recent contribution they've made.

Expect them to ask for details.

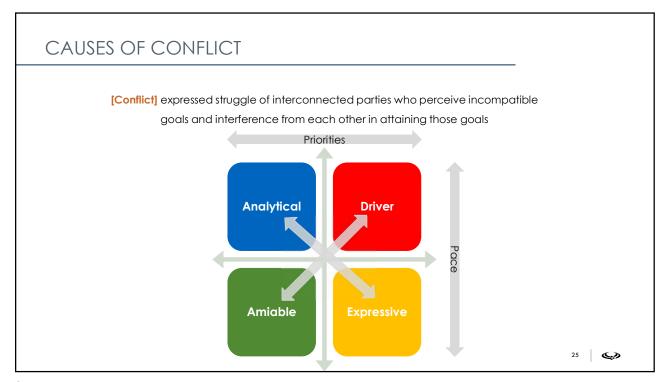
#### Avoid...

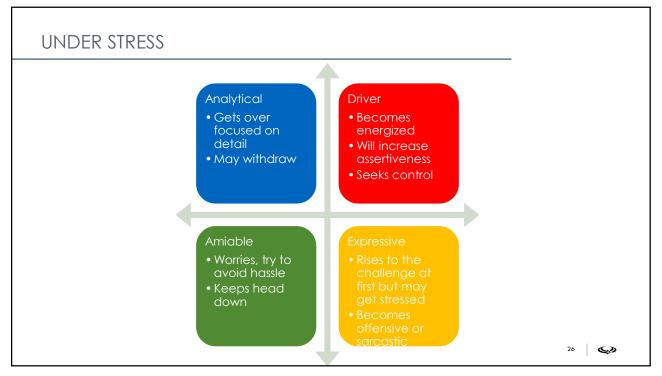
Rushing them into a decision.

Assuming they support an idea 100% just because they don't voice opposition.

Expecting them to intuit priorities and deadlines – it's helpful if you spell those out.

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# HOW STYLES MANAGE CONFLICT • Approach: Not adverse to conflict; often the trigger • + Response: Responds initially by holding ground; if presented with evidence, will negotiate • - Response: Undermines other people; attacks their authority • Approach: Not adverse to conflict; sometimes the trigger • + Response: Responds by looking at big picture and searching for solutions • - Response: Criticizes the behavior and attitudes of other people Analytical • Approach: Avoids conflict; normally not the trigger • + Response: Responds by analyzing causes and looking for compromises • - Response: Resentful; slows down productivity; may withdraw • Approach: Avoids conflict; rarely the trigger • + Response: Responds by inquiring after others and seeking safety in the group • - Response: Withdrawal; seeks relief by escape; getting sick

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### **OVERVIEW**

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  - Amiable, Analytical, Driver & Expressive
- · How to recognize the styles
  - Talking, Body Language, Communication Style, Responsiveness, Listening Pattern
- · How to tailor your communication to compliment the styles
  - Assertiveness & Responsiveness
- · How styles respond under stress and conflict
  - · Avoidance, Control, Giving In, Attacking

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