

**Our top 10 most
annoying, insane, successful,
shocking and best
SAFe
implementation experiences**

<https://tools.kegon.de/confluence/display/KEG/T4AT-2019+Scaled+Agile+Implementation+Challenges+-+Finding+from+the+Field>



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FINDINGS
FROM THE **FIELD**

SCALED AGILE
IMPLEMENTATION **CHALLENGES**



1. Babylonian language confusion:

Orthogonal organized teams work “together”:

- Communication costs explode
- Transparency decreases
- Predictability of value delivery declines



2. Agile teams make autonomous architecture decisions:

Decisions are correct for a single team, but very often they don't fit together.

- Endless communication loops
- Decreased transparency
- Declining predictability of value delivery
- Less resilient products and solutions



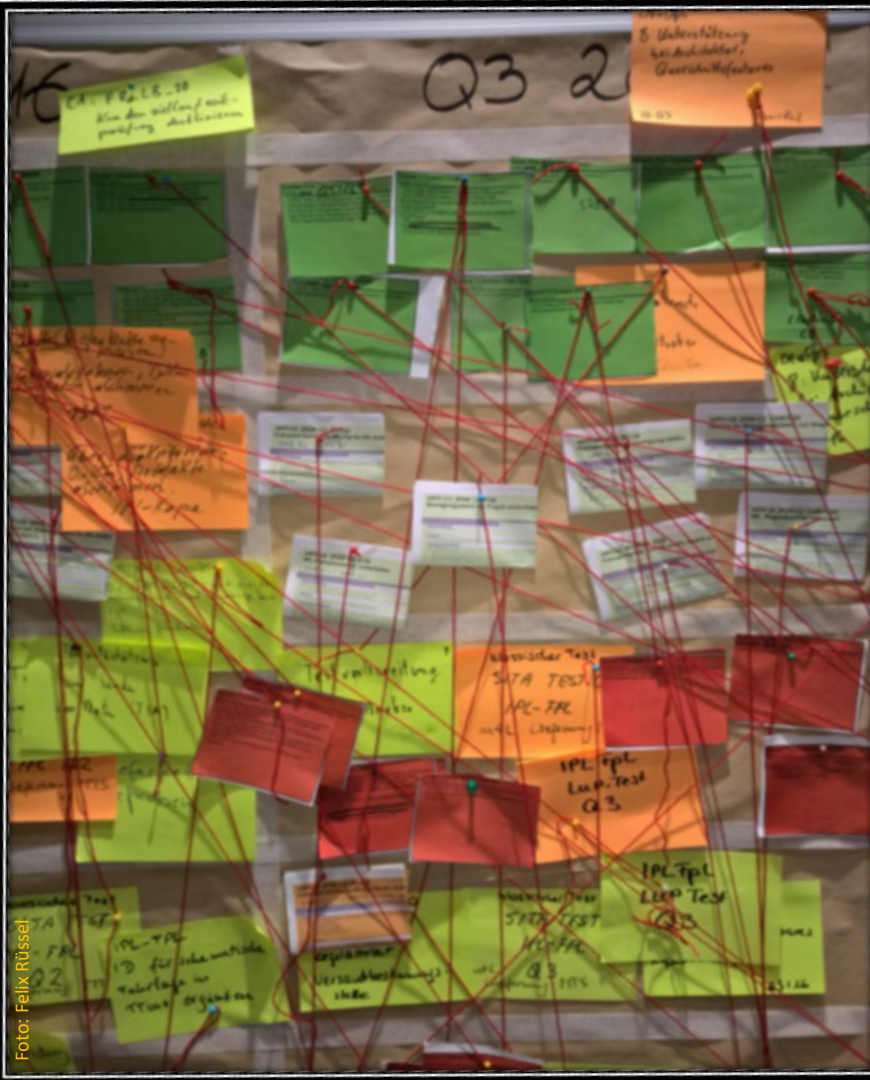
3. People not organized around value:

People work on multiple teams

- Conflicts must be resolved by every individual
- Predictability of value delivery declines

4. Agile teams are organized in Projects

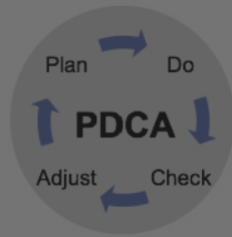
- Dependencies explode
- Transparency decreases
- Predictability of value delivery declines
- Pressure on management, on the teams and the agile transformation increases
- Frustration and mistrust leads to micromanagement



5. Problematic historical Decisions could be an explosive mortgage:

- Effects become visible earlier
- But yet it still proves the effectiveness of the agile approach
- But the transformation process could be stopped cause of these effects





6. But....

- Learning organizations use these or similar effects –
to become better, not to start with new models over and over again
- They generate insights about their own process
- They esteem Old and New ...and find a new balance

A street sign with the text "EASY STREET" in bold, black, sans-serif capital letters on a white background. The sign is mounted on two dark, textured posts and is surrounded by dense green foliage, including leaves of various shapes and sizes, some with small white flowers. The overall scene is outdoors and brightly lit.

EASY STREET

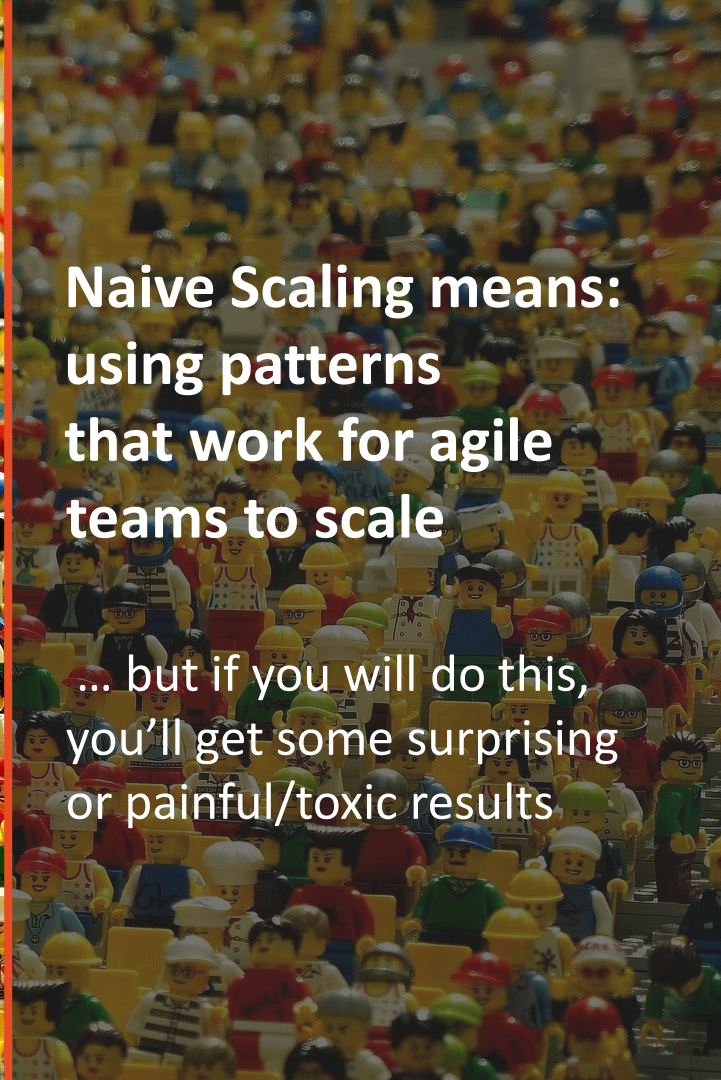
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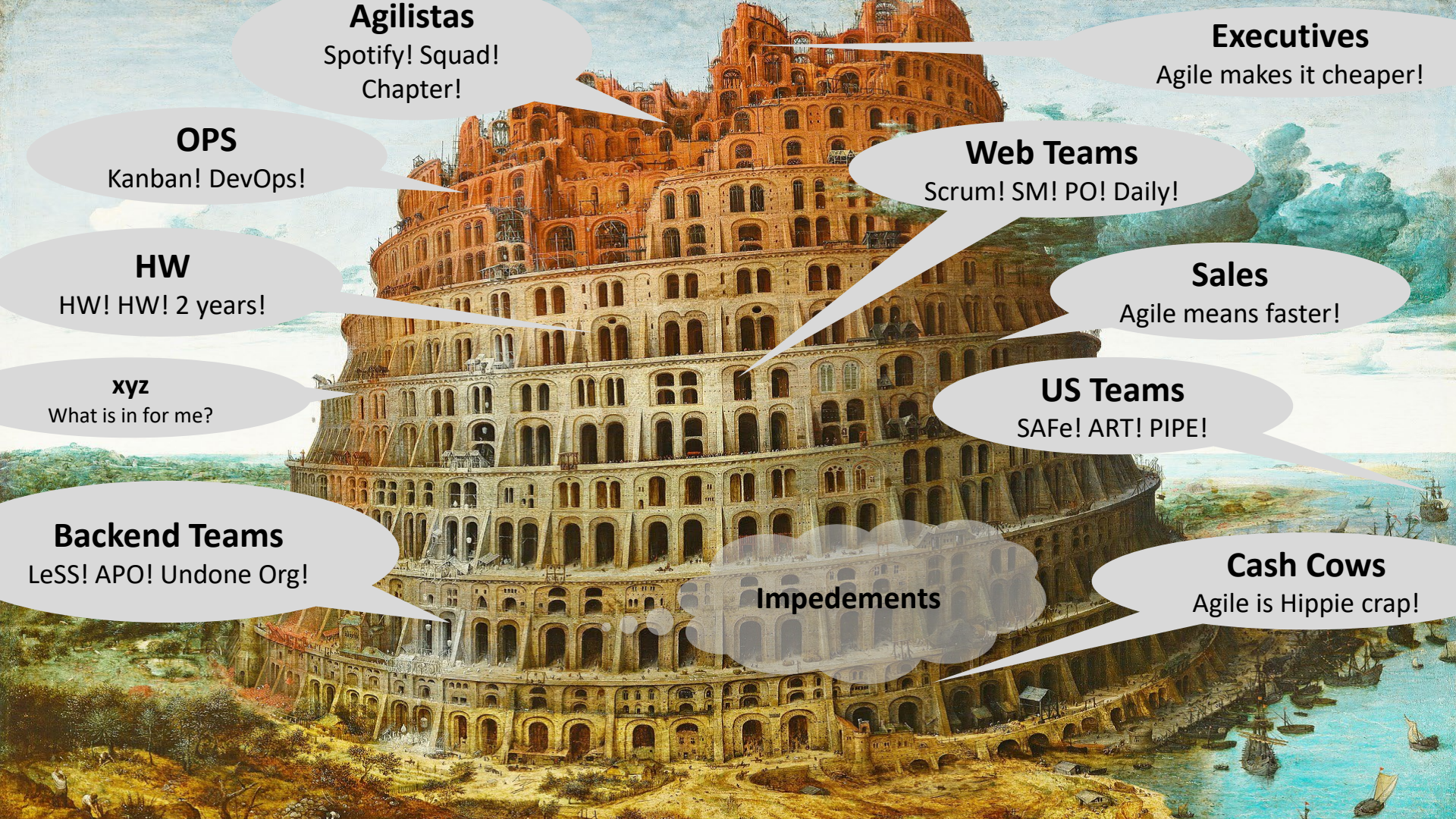
Super easy,
isn't it?



Naive Scaling means:
using patterns
that work for agile
teams to scale

... but if you will do this,
you'll get some surprising
or painful/toxic results





Agilistas

Spotify! Squad!
Chapter!

Executives

Agile makes it cheaper!

OPS

Kanban! DevOps!

Web Teams

Scrum! SM! PO! Daily!

Sales

Agile means faster!

HW

HW! HW! 2 years!

US Teams

SAFe! ART! PIPE!

xyz

What is in for me?

Backend Teams

LeSS! APO! Undone Org!

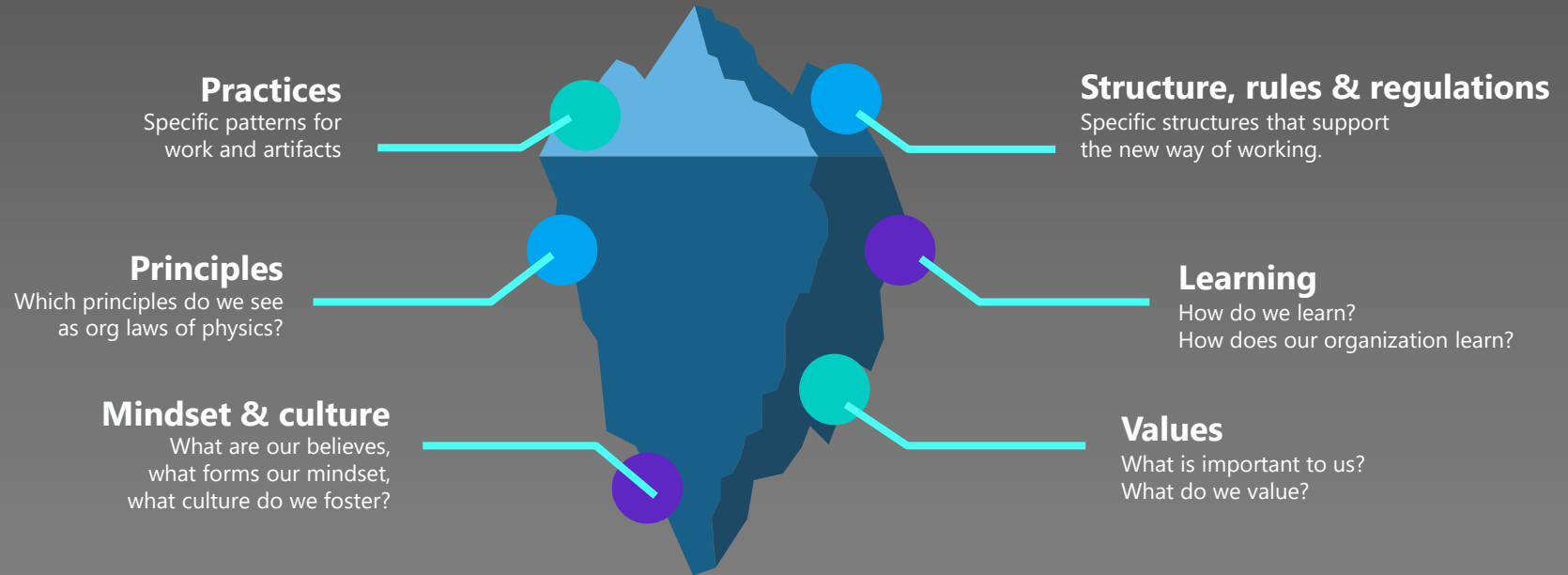
Cash Cows

Agile is Hippie crap!

Impedements

Lean & Agile

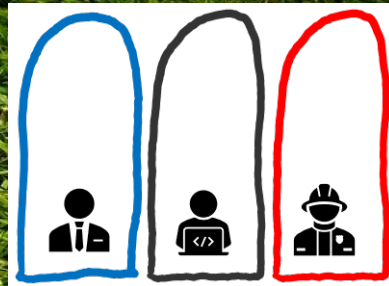
Lean-Agile is not about practices, specific structure or a set of rules and regulations

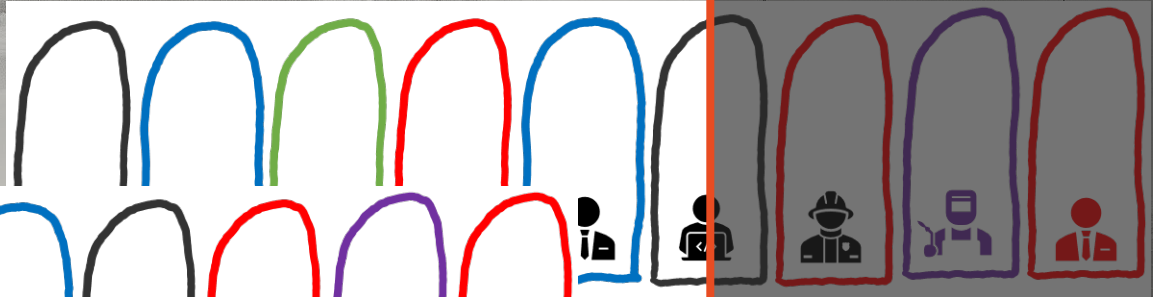
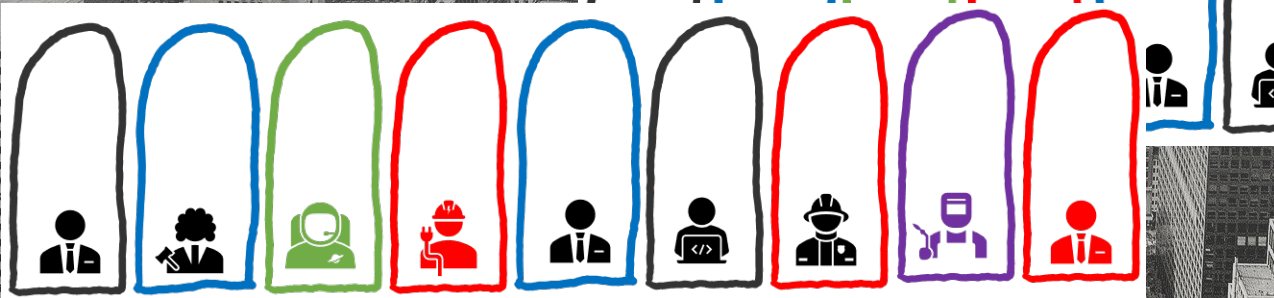
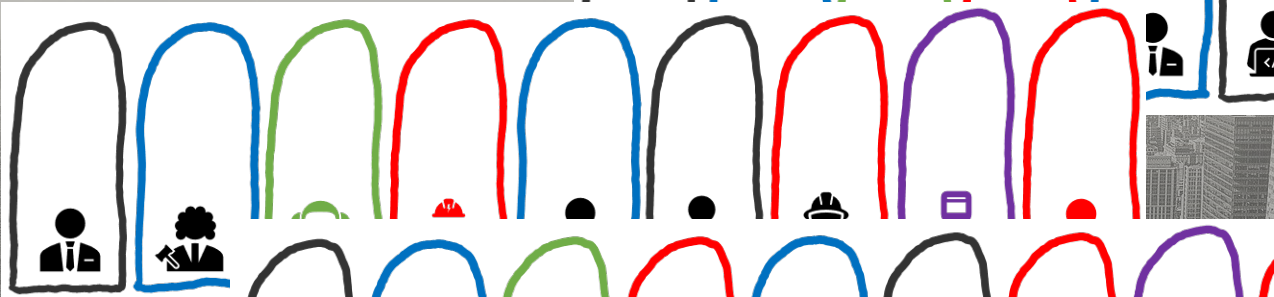
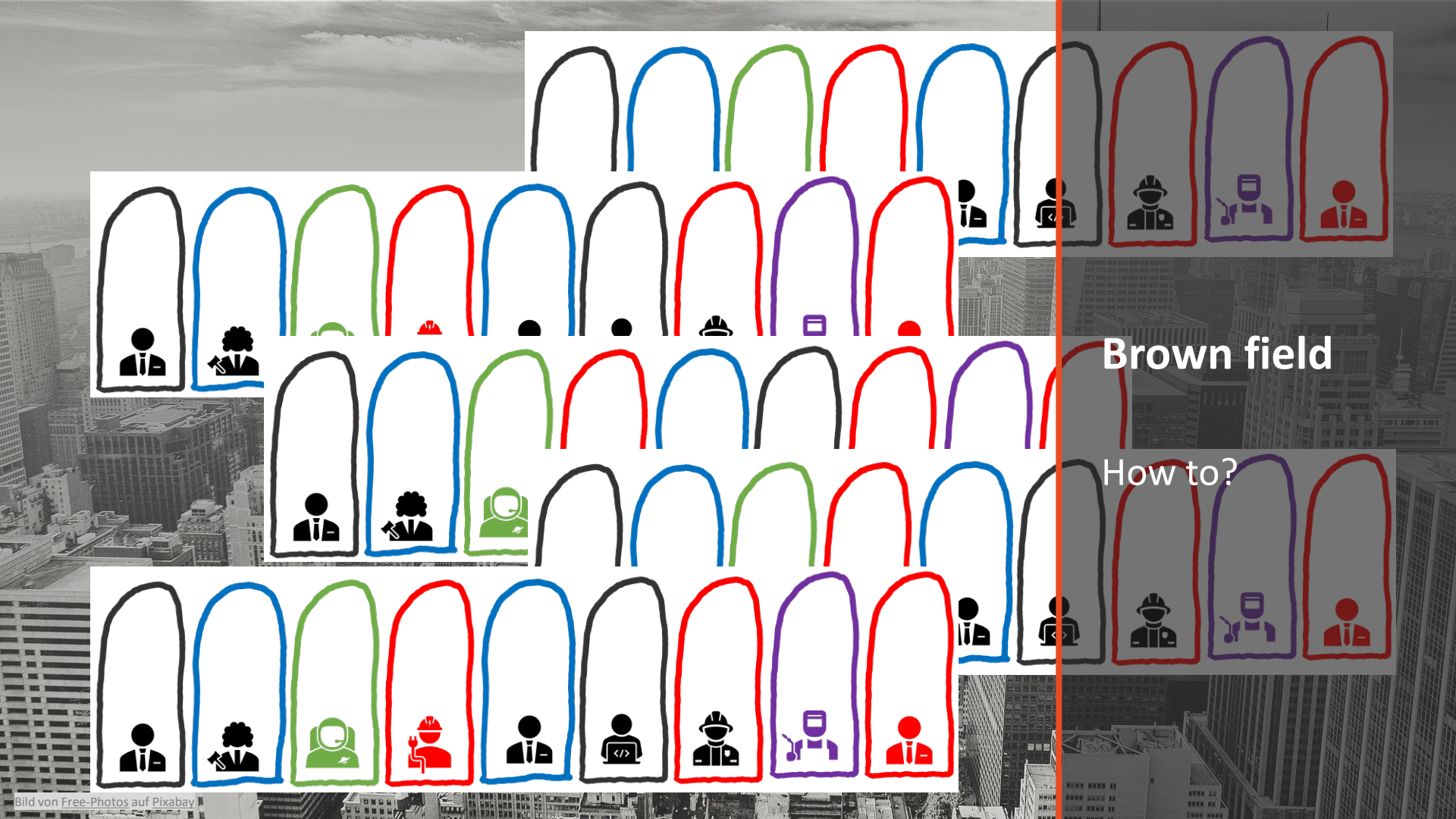


It is about changing the way you are looking and interacting with the world.
It's a cultural shift and a **personal change**.

8. Green field

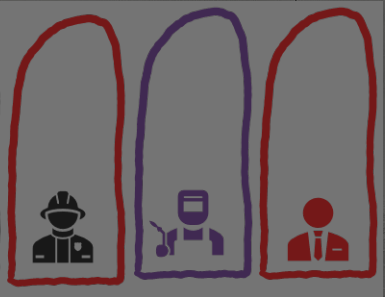
- Super easy...
- so use any framework





Brown field

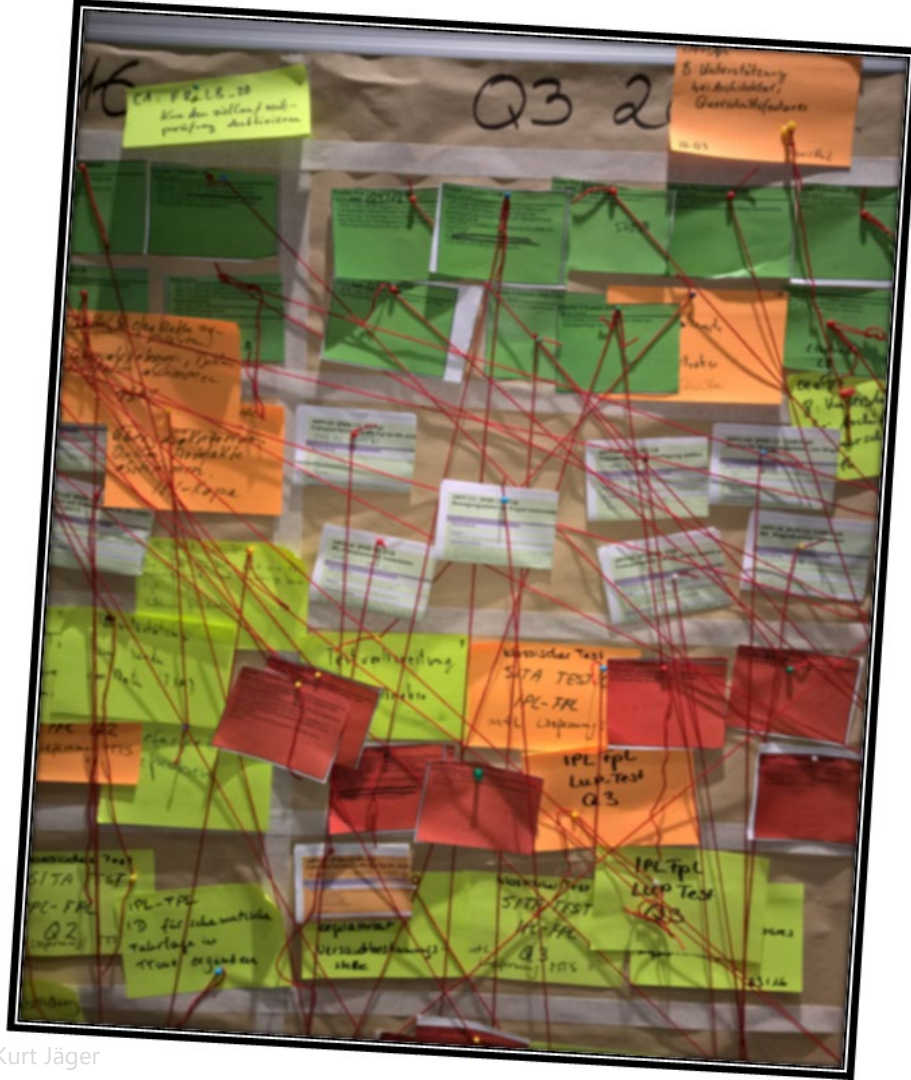
How to?





9. tones of dependences

- are leading to stasis



10. Intransparency increases lead time

- Tactically Workload/WIP
- Strategically Team cut

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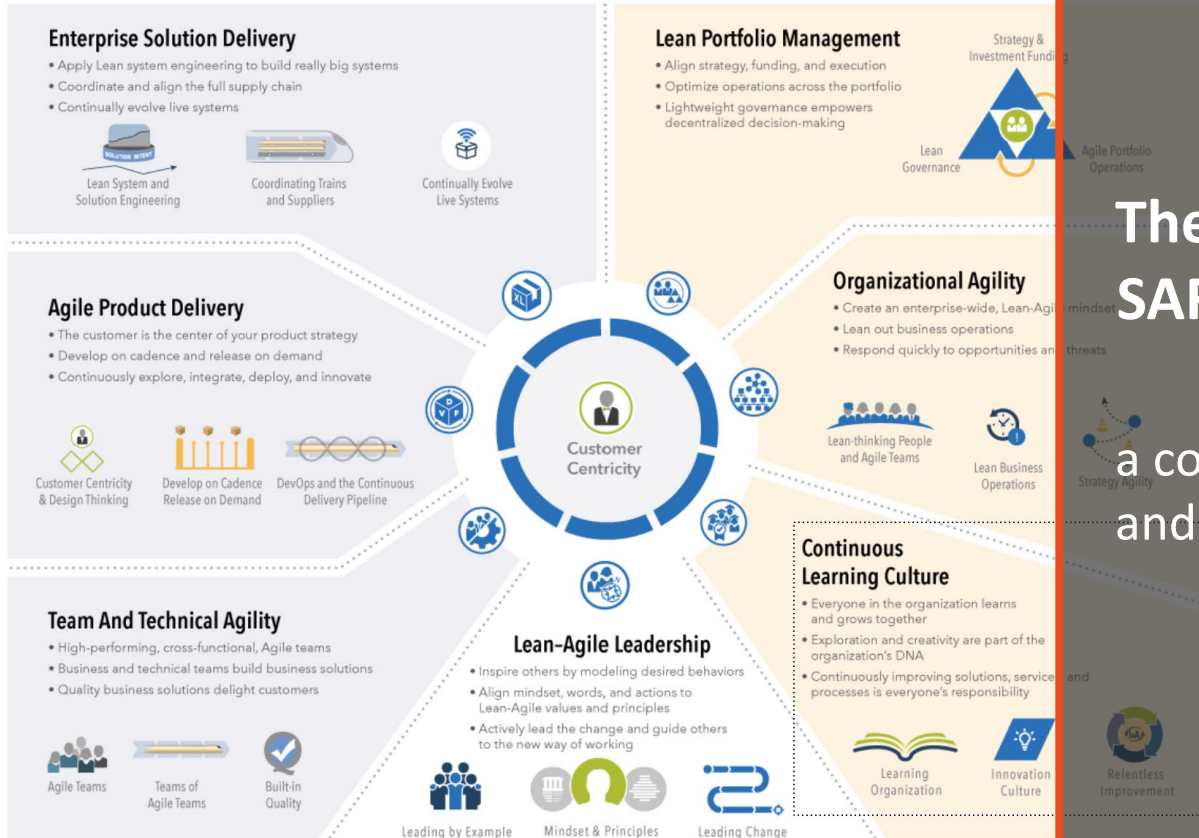
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Agile is

... let us descend, and there confuse their language,
so that they do not understand one another's language.. (Gen 11,7)

BUSINESS AGILITY

MEASURE & GROW



The strength of SAFe :

a common language and understanding

Bild von <https://www.scaledagileframework.com/>



Responsible for
driving change?

Take a good care
of your own SAFety!

AND GET READY FOR THE
ACTION!





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