## **The JOHARI Window**

# A Tool for Personal Development

### Joseph Luft & Harry Ingham's Model JoHari Window

#### **Observations** — Assumptions

- Human beings have limited self-awareness
- Emotions influence behavior more than rational reasoning/logic
- Subjective factors influence our perception of issues – e.g. the color of your dress/shirt could be interpreted as supporting a political party etc
- Experience is fluid & ever changing, so is learning
- Change promotes learning & development

# **The JoHari Window**

- A very useful tool in enhancing development of others to work in high performance teams
- Panes, persons, personalities, quadrants
- Recognition & understanding of the way we behave under the different panes gives us insights about how we relate to those around us

## **The JoHari Window**



#### 1. Public

- Behaviors known to you and to others (the public)
- You demonstrate or live what you want others to know about you

### 2. The Blind Spot

- Behavioral patterns, habits, attitudes I exhibit without knowing how they affect others around me
- Others see them in me but I am not aware of them
- Could be positive or negative, people are affected +vely or -vely

#### 3. The Private

- Behaviors, attitudes, drivers not known to others but are known to me
- A behavioural tactic I may use as a defence mechanism
- Can make me less able to work in a team
- Can make others unwilling to work with me

#### 4. The sub-conscious

- Behaviors, attitudes and expressions that are neither known to me nor to others around me
- Forms the largest part of our personality most of the times, especially during stress
- Exploiting it helps us to understand ourselves better