



EXCEPTIONAL WOMEN'S COACHING

The Tiara Spotlight

Shining our light on inspiring women around the world.



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LEAP! is an online and offline business community for leading female professionals. It combines the power of talented women and leading organizations on their way to new leadership.

Who are you?

I am a social entrepreneur and seasoned consultant, passionate about what makes people and companies tick. I'm particularly passionate about **new leadership** and **diversity**. This includes inspiring people to take the leap, facilitating them along the process, or empowering them to show up and shine!

Why are you involved in your business?

I created LEAP because I observed The Netherlands struggling with female talent. All I saw was limiting perceptions like "they're not there," "they don't want to," and "they are not capable." I saw organizations not knowing how to deal with this new group of talent. I saw top women behaving like men, and I saw a lack of sisterhood amongst the women. Connection, transparency, and new perspective were needed. Since I had some ideas about how to do that and knew how to create a deal (I have been a dealmaker in finance for 15 years), I just started.

Share your leadership journey.

My journey has been one of great learning. Growing up with a handicapped mother (from age 1) made me very independent very early on. I've always had the drive to help and enlighten people around me. The first 15 years of my career I had the strong urge to see the world, which I did in my job working internationally in structured finance. Then in my personal life some severe situations occurred with my then suicidal depressed brother, and I felt it was time to return to the real world. Since 2005, I've focused on creating value in what is important to me: growth, use of talent, and leadership. The two words that capture it are **authenticity** and **audacity**.

How do you recharge?

By enjoying the great pleasures in life: love, friendship, food, and beautiful places. By spending time with my loved ones and with like-minded souls, including the wonderful Dutch Tiaras. By spending time alone, preferably by the sea.

What are you grateful for?

I am grateful for my beautiful family, my beautiful friends, my strong and healthy body, my agile brain, the opportunities I have been given to fulfill my dream, and all the support I received along the way. These and many other things make me feel blessed!!

What benefits have you received from Tiara?

Using my intuition and energy field as I create our events, which enables people to share their deeper intentions and creates breakthroughs in performance.



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What's next for you?

LEAP will be moving to the next level within the next 6 months, creating bigger platform, and generating more impact. I am committed to continually grow and create more impact!