



## LEAN CONTINUOUS FACTORY

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Turning continuous operations into  
a competitive advantage





## **The efficiency imperative**

To deliver the next step change in operational productivity, companies will need to make broad and deep changes across their operations.

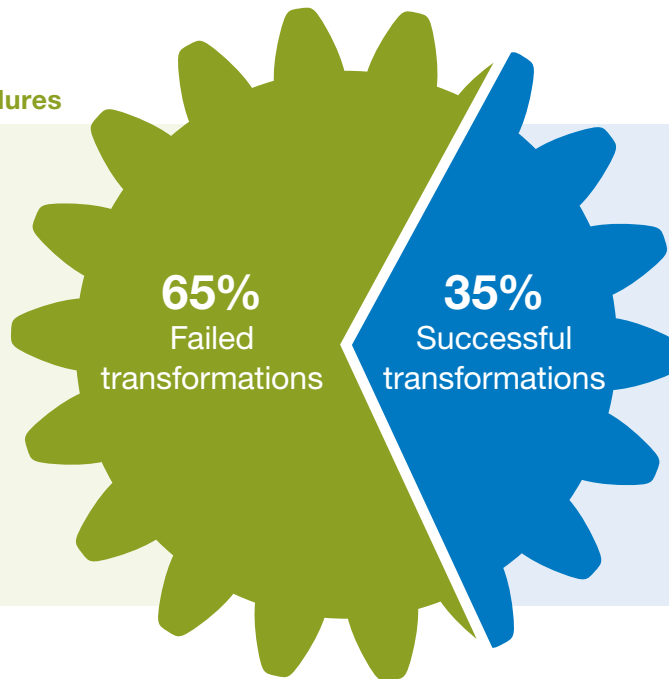
***Does your organization have the capabilities to make that happen?***

# Only one-third of companies achieve truly sustainable transformations

When companies embark on efforts to transform, too many find it difficult to sustain their initial performance improvements over the long-term. Among the organizations that succeed, **the biggest differentiator** is the way they **develop the skills and capabilities of their people**.

## Factors contributing to failures

- 1 Not enough leadership capacity
- 2 Lack of capabilities and knowledge
- 3 Poor accountability and performance dialogues
- 4 Misalignment of aspirations across organization



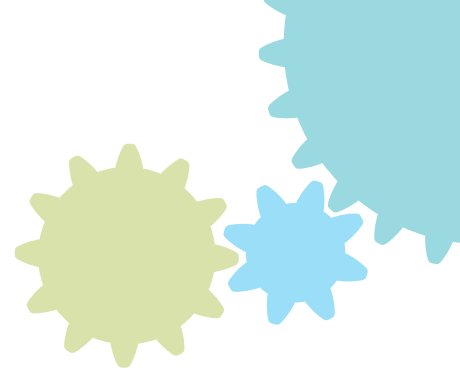
## Factors key to success

- 1 **Technical system:**  
Lean toolbox
- 2 **Mindsets and behaviors:** “Lean Academy” to transfer and scale Lean skills
- 3 **Management infrastructure:**  
Lean KPIs and performance dialogues

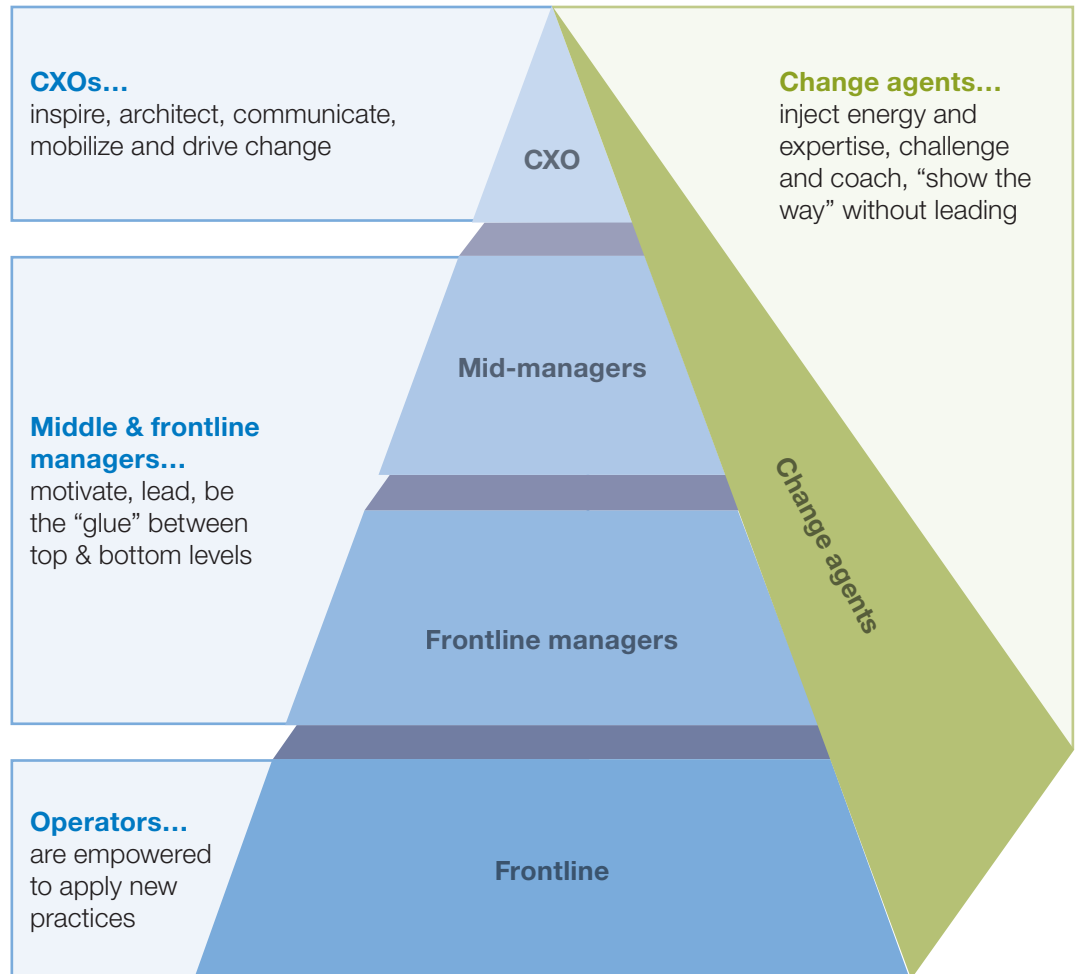
**The most effective transformations use a holistic approach in their capability-building efforts.** They focus as much on fostering the right attitudes and culture as on the implementation of the technical tools needed to find and capture improvement opportunities. They embed their commitment to improvement into their company-wide performance management systems.

**Source:** McKinsey Quarterly Transformational Change Survey 2010; n=2661 interviews

# Success requires new capabilities at every level of the organization

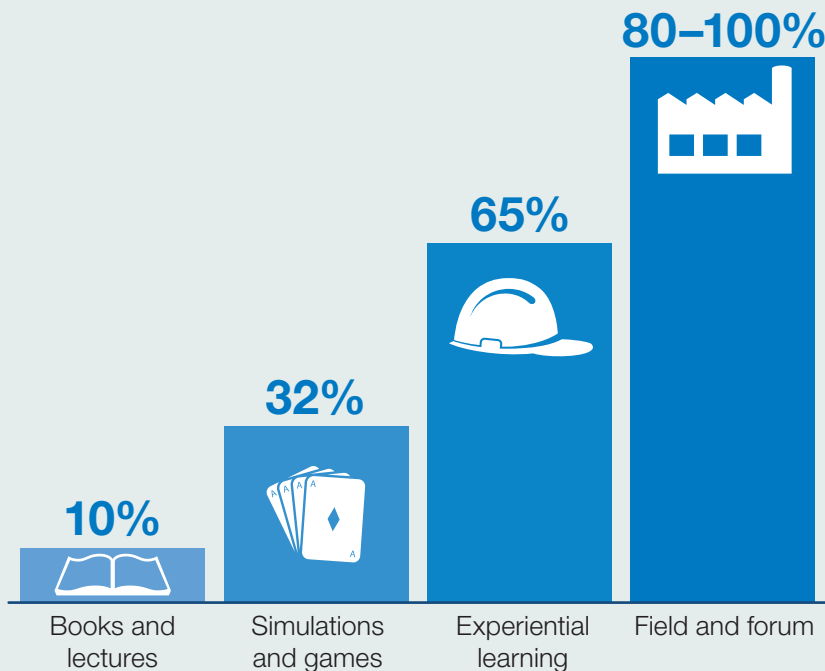


One of the principle challenges in transformation efforts is ensuring that the right skills and attitudes are **developed in all layers of the organization**, from senior management to the front line. The best companies make holistic capability building a priority, tailoring their training and coaching efforts to the specific needs and motivations of each part of the business.



# Capabilities are best developed in an experiential environment

## Knowledge retained from different learning approaches



**Adults learn best in an environment that offers them a rich, interactive experience and the freedom to experiment**

and make mistakes without risk. Dedicated experiential learning facilities provide the ideal combination of real manufacturing issues and opportunities with the flexibility and freedom to fail. Experience shows that not only do people learn faster in such environments, but they also remember more and are better prepared to apply what they learned when they return to their everyday roles.

**Source:** Whitmore: Coaching for performance, 2002; McKinsey interviews



# The McKinsey Lean Continuous Factory offers optimal learning conditions for resource productivity capabilities



Our dedicated **Lean Continuous Factory** at the McKinsey Capability Center in Atlanta **is the perfect environment in which to develop the capabilities needed** to transform lean continuous operations. Equipped with real manufacturing equipment and capable of running both continuous and discrete production operations, the model factory offers a comprehensive, flexible curriculum, supported by a faculty of deeply experienced practitioners. The facility is part of McKinsey's global network of model factories.



# The Lean Continuous Factory's genuine production experience provides real insights into resource productivity and lean improvement opportunities

The Lean Continuous Factory isn't a game or simulation. It is a real production environment, using real manufacturing machinery and industrial control technologies. The equipment installed at the factory has been carefully selected to encompass both continuous processes, like heat exchangers and pumps, and discrete operations, like grinding and separation. The facility can be used to develop skills in lean continuous operations and resource productivity. Training participants use the facility to **identify sources of waste, implement and test improvement ideas**, calculate the resulting savings and sustain those results by building an effective continuous improvement infrastructure.





**A. Control Room**  
The line is centered around a control room to monitor production and detect variability that cannot be detected visually on the line

**B. Filtration & water treatment**  
Reverse osmosis membrane  
Over-specification

**C. Water heating**  
In-line gas heater

**D. Learning station**  
Pumps  
Right-size the equipment

**E. Operators**  
Labor savings

**F. Separation**  
Vibratory separator  
Scrap and rework

**G. Grinding**  
Hammer mill  
Speed losses

**H. Drying**  
Oven  
Scrap

**I. Reaction catalyzed by agitation & heat**  
Steam-heated reactor  
OEE and yield

**J. Equipment**  
Capital savings

**K. Sterilization and cooling**  
Heat exchangers  
Heat integration

**L. Final product storage**  
Holding tanks  
Quality

**M. Steam**  
Boiler  
Transport losses

**N. Compressed air**  
Compressor and air drier  
Maintenance

**O. Cooling fluid**  
Chiller  
Overproduction



# Directly relevant training for a broad range of industries



## Open-pit mining

### Example key challenges:

- Understanding the energy intensity of each step in the process and the influence operators have on energy consumption
- Managing variability in mining process steps and the resulting migration of the bottleneck to different points in the value chain

### How the Lean Continuous Factory can help:

- Proprietary toolkit to help quantify energy used at each value-adding step and how performance can be improved through changes in operator behavior
- Simulating variability and bottleneck migration, the impact on total throughput, and learning approaches to increase stability and apply stochastic modeling techniques



## Mineral beneficiation

### Example key challenges:

- Understanding optimal load points in grinding and milling to maximize energy efficiency
- Using a control room to effectively manage performance
- Lacking rigor in the use of SOPs

### How the Lean Continuous Factory can help:

- Load and energy consumption analysis to help optimize grinder load points
- Control room performance management tools and capabilities
- Effective use of SOPs and ways to ensure their use



Oil & Gas



Pharmaceuticals



Metals



Glass



Paper & Pulp

The equipment, process steps, improvement tools and techniques taught at the Lean Continuous Factory are directly applicable to **real operational issues** in a large number of industries. Participants in a wide array of continuous and discrete production processes will immediately **recognize the opportunities they see** in the model factory environment and will quickly understand how they can apply the same change techniques in their own facilities.



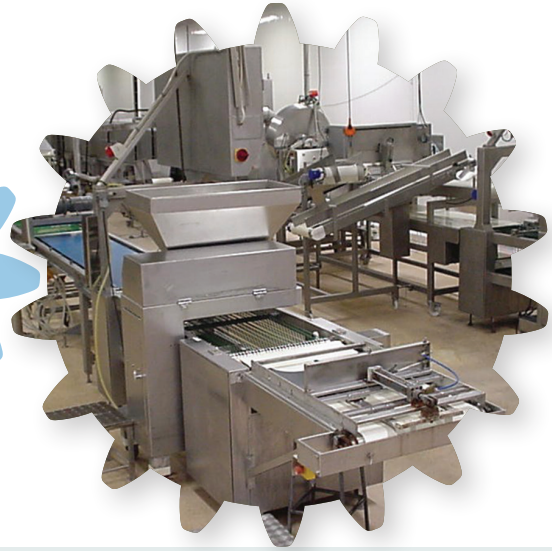
## Chemicals

### Example key challenges:

- Utilizing a control room environment to monitor production and energy use
- Optimizing yield

### How the Lean Continuous Factory can help:

- Factory control room demonstrates best practice and allows experimentation in a risk-free environment
- Hands-on production environment in which to experiment with the balance between yield, throughput, and resource constraints



## Food processing

### Example key challenges:

- Maintaining quality in compliance with standards
- Minimizing water usage while maintaining operational standards

### How the Lean Continuous Factory can help:

- Process and quality control monitoring to understand cost effective ways of maintaining quality
- Proprietary toolkit to analyze and minimize water consumption



Power Generation



Waste Treatment

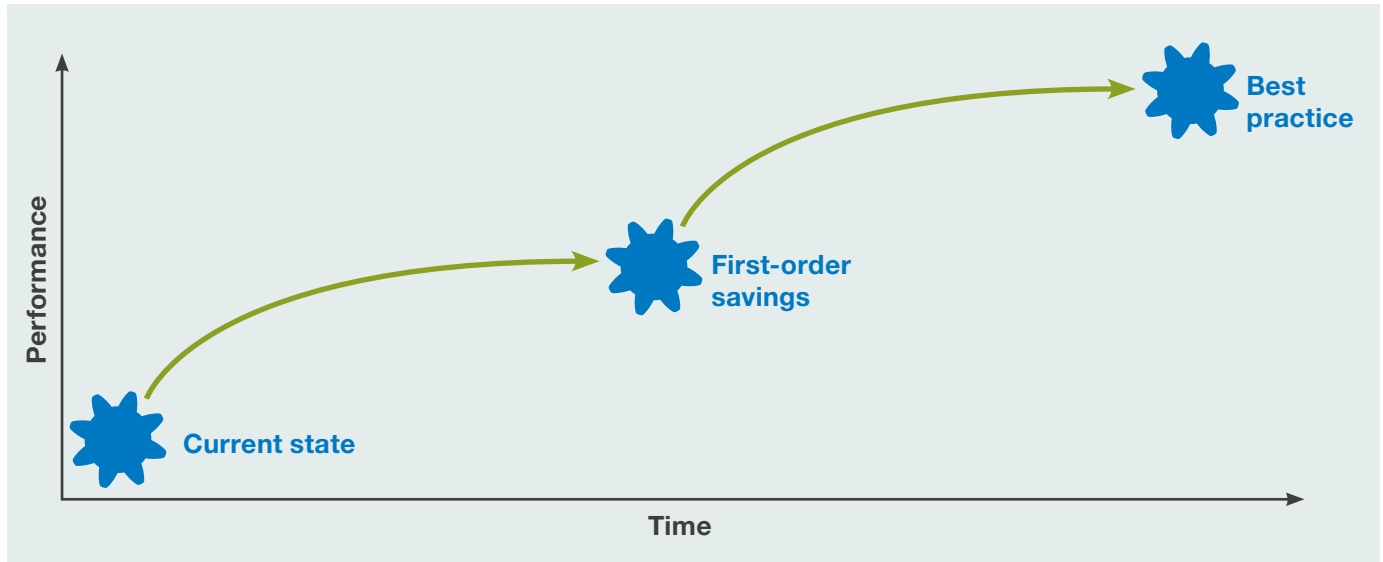


Automotive & Assembly



Aerospace & Defense

# Watch the transformation physically unfold, yielding significant improvements in just one day



The production line at the Lean Continuous Factory **physically transforms**, changing the equipment layout and production process used from an initial, sub-optimal state to best practice. This change can take place in as little as a day. A phased transformation process, with the capture of initial savings followed by a leap to best practice, encourages participants to **push the boundaries of their thinking**. The Lean Continuous Factory demonstrates real, significant, and tangible improvements of key performance metrics within the course of a workshop, whether one day or one week.

Immediate impact realized  
during Lean Continuous  
Factory training

Throughput + >80%

Labor productivity + ~50%

Yield + >45%

Energy used - >35%

Water used - >30%

Waste generated - >30%

**EBIT improvement + 20%**

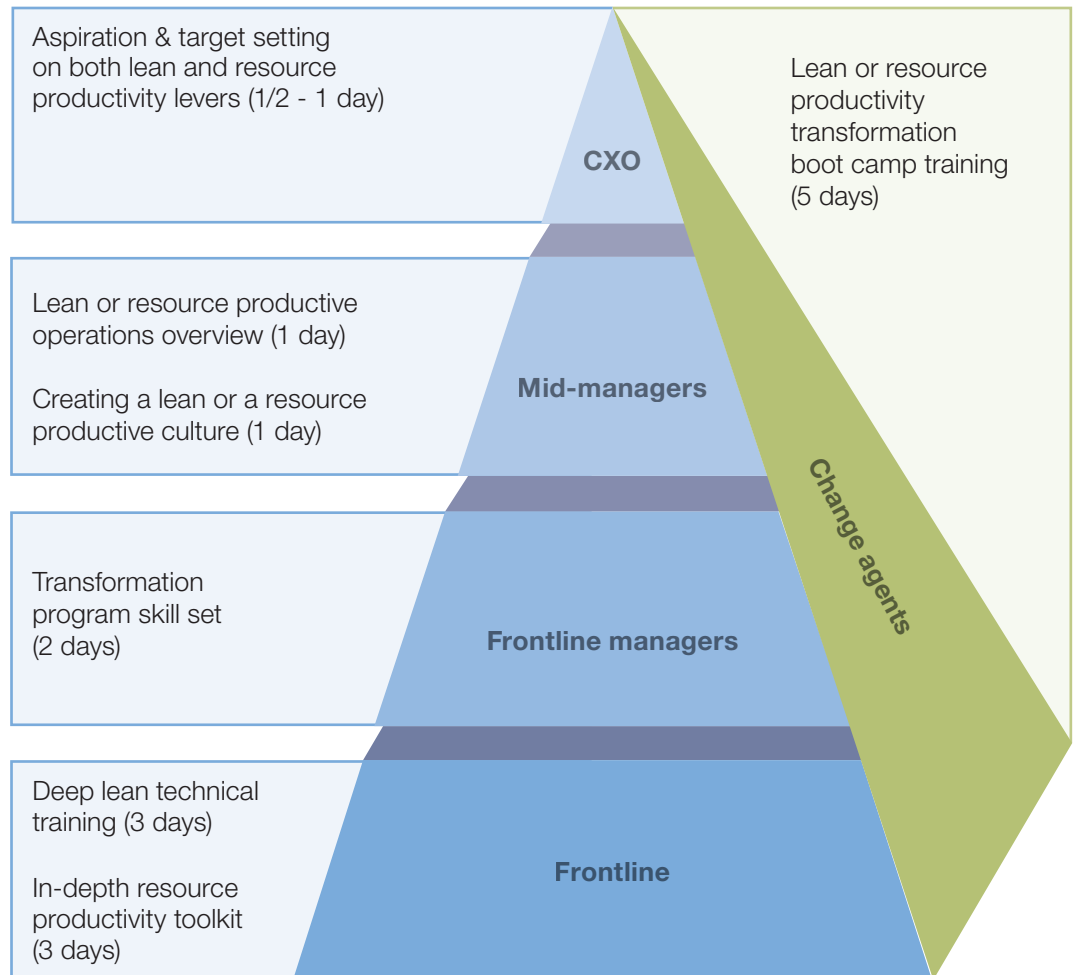


# A tailored curriculum for every level of your organization



A resource productive transformation makes different demands on different parts of the organization. The Lean Continuous Factory offers **a comprehensive set of training programs tailored to meet these varied needs.**

Such courses range from half-day introductions on lean operations for senior leadership, to five-day intensive lean transformation boot camps for dedicated change agents.



# Fully customizable content from a choice of 50+ modules

Every company is different, and the capability requirements for each stage of an organization's transformation journey depend upon the nature of its manufacturing processes, workforce and culture. In recognition of this, Lean Continuous Factory **courses can be fully customized** to suit the specific needs of our clients. A choice of more than fifty separate learning modules, covering the complete transformation process, means that participants can always **focus on what matters most to them.**

## Lean Continuous Operations

<b>L1</b>	Key to successful transformations
<b>L2</b>	Learning to see
<b>L3</b>	Value stream mapping
<b>L4</b>	Labor productivity
<b>L5</b>	Overall equipment effectiveness (OEE)
<b>L6</b>	Quick changeover
<b>L7</b>	Standard work
<b>L8</b>	Maintenance and reliability
<b>L9</b>	5S
<b>L10</b>	Quality
<b>L11</b>	Design for value

## Resource Productivity

<b>R1</b>	Learning to see resource waste
<b>R2</b>	Resource loss framework
<b>R3</b>	Resource value stream mapping
<b>R4</b>	Loss bridge
<b>R5</b>	Load curve
<b>R6</b>	Temperature mapping
<b>R7</b>	Network map and loss analysis
<b>R8</b>	Resource life cycle analysis
<b>R9</b>	Machine system analysis
<b>R10</b>	Cost curve
<b>R11</b>	RedE - quantification of levers
<b>R12</b>	Design for resource productive systems

## Management Infrastructure





<b>H1</b>	Transformation design	<b>H6</b>	Skills matrix & training plans
<b>H2</b>	Performance management	<b>H7</b>	Problem resolution process
<b>H3</b>	Performance dialogues	<b>H8</b>	Root cause problem solving
<b>H4</b>	Visual management	<b>H9</b>	Continuous improvement
<b>H5</b>	Metrics & targets		

## Mindsets & Behaviors

<b>H10</b>	Understanding mindsets & behaviors	<b>H13</b>	Coaching and feedback
<b>H11</b>	Influencing mindsets & behaviors	<b>H14</b>	Change story
<b>H12</b>	Introduction to organizational health	<b>H15</b>	Personal leadership in a transformation

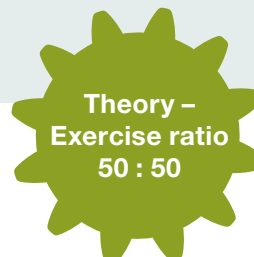
# Carefully designed agendas balance theory with practical exercises

## Example Course: Aspiration and Target Setting Workshop

	Introduction and scene setting	8:00
	Lean transformation change framework	8:45
	Break	9:15
	Technical system – Learning to see and waste walk	9:30
	Technical system – Overall Equipment Effectiveness (OEE)	10:45
	Lunch with gallery walk	12:00
	Management Infrastructure – Performance Management	12:45
	Management Infrastructure – Making change stick	2:00
	Break	3:15
	Mindsets, Behaviors & Capabilities – Leading change	3:30
	Applications to your organization	4:30
	Conclusion and wrap-up	5:30

During their time at the Lean Continuous Factory, participants experience a carefully designed mix of theory training by our expert faculty and practical hands-on exercises, designed to bring what they have learned to life. These trainings range from half-day to 5-days depending on organizational needs. We aim to ensure that all participants spend at least **half their time doing, rather than listening.**

Hands-on exercises included 



# Accessible, relevant and directly applicable learning

Since the launch of our first Model Factory in 2007, McKinsey's experiential learning facilities have grown to become an indispensable part of our offering to clients world wide. **Thousands of individuals from more than 150 different companies have participated in courses**, with many clients returning again and again as they expand their capability building efforts and roll out programs across their organizations.

Model factory attendees range from C-level executives of Fortune 500 companies to frontline operating teams. Regardless of their degree of prior experience, or the duration of the courses they attend, participants consistently praise their model factory experience for the accessibility and relevance of the content covered. **These participants leave the model factory inspired to start making immediate, lasting improvements in their own facilities.**

*"Indeed got an 'Aha' effect visiting the factory and seeing the changes implemented."*

*"What surprised me the most is the development I've seen of the team members—as far as leading teams and engaging with others from other cultures and other technical areas."*

**Over 150 client visits so far across the global model factory network.**

*"Coming out of the classroom and walking right into the operations they have set up here, it's like being back at our facility."*

**This training will really enhance our capabilities to improve the operational efficiency of our workforce.**

*"Great practical exercises. Highly interactive, highly instructive."*



# Expert faculty with deep industry experience

Training at the Lean Continuous Factory is delivered by a select group of McKinsey personnel. Our faculty are drawn from a wide range of backgrounds from all around the world. What they have in common is deep experience in performance and productivity transformations, together with a passion for efficiency and sustainability issues. **Their knowledge** of the challenges and potential pitfalls **of real-word productivity improvement initiatives is unsurpassed.**

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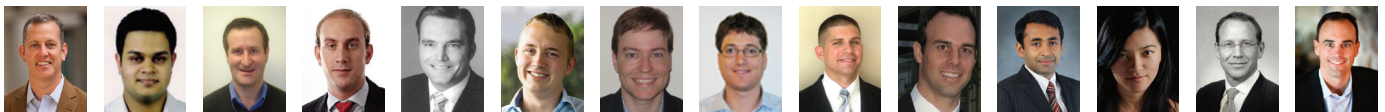
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