2027

THE LEAN DIAMONDS

TRANSFORMATION AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAMME

Does your organisation really know what's holding back its growth?

LEAN ANALYTICS ASSOCIATION

WHY ORGANISATIONS DON'T REACH THEIR POTENTIAL?



WHAT THEY SEE

Profit · Sales · Cash flow · Market share · Productivity

WHAT THEY DON'T SEE

Inefficient processes · Lack of priorities · Misalignment · Unskilled employees · Lack of information to make decisions

What organisations can't see is what really impacts their results.

THE QUESTIONS ORGANISATIONS SHOULD BE ABLE TO ANSWER

1. **How can we create more value?**
2. **How can we grow and be more competitive?**
3. **Why should our customers prefer us instead of our competitors?**
4. **Where and how should we start first?**
5. **How to nurture core skills and competences to reach our goals?**

If your leadership team can't answer these questions with data, decisions are being made on instinct, not evidence.

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The Lean Diamonds is a Transformation and Certification Programme that uncovers and celebrates world-class journeys.

We empower organisations to benchmark their capabilities, learn and adopt best practices to accelerate their ongoing efforts towards achieving global competitiveness.

THE 360 LEAN SMART ASSESSMENT

THE LEAN DIAMONDS

A proven framework for discovering and diagnosing best practices towards business growth

1. Lean

Increase process efficiency and standardisation.
Engage and empower employees to continuously improve the status quo.

2. Lean Innovation

Accelerate new processes, products, services and experiences.
Deliver user-centric solutions through iterative learning cycles.

3. Lean Digital

Apply digital technologies to automate processes, make smarter data-driven decisions and design digitalised offers.

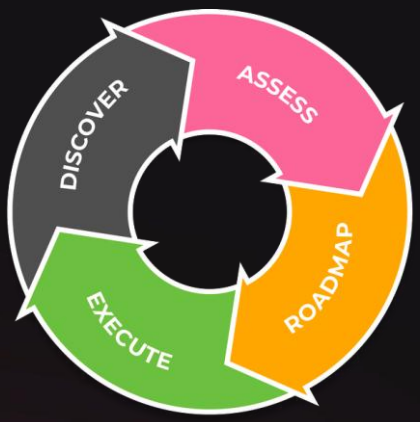
4. Lean for Sustainability

Reduce energy use and CO_2 emissions, align to the UN 2030 Agenda and implement circular economy best practices.

THE RIGHT DECISIONS TAKEN FROM THE ASSESSMENT WILL GENERATE BUSINESS VALUE

TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME

We aim to energise organisations during their ongoing transformation



DISCOVER

Best practices and trends to spark change, plus 32 expert-led masterclasses.

ASSESS

360 SMART self-assessment: maturity baseline, benchmark, gaps and quick wins.

ROADMAP

Gemba Walk insights turned into priorities, goals and a tailored roadmap.

EXECUTE

Act on the roadmap, share progress in quarterly calls, re-enter the cycle.

LEAN CAPABILITY CERTIFICATION

Discover your progress adopting lean practices and obtain insights to recharge your roadmap



AMBER

01 · START

Lean adoption not started; awareness growing.



SAPPHIRE

02 · MOTIVATE

Keen interest in a CI & innovation culture.



EMERALD

03 · APPLY

Best practices are being adopted successfully.



RUBY

04 · REVIEW & IMPROVE

CI and innovation are business as usual.



DIAMOND

05 · TRANSFORMED

A best-in-class organisation.

CERTIFY YOUR JOURNEY. MULTIPLY YOUR PRODUCTIVITY.

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WHAT YOU WILL GET

THE LEAN DIAMONDS

1. **Discover** best practices and gaps
2. **Benchmark** & get recommendations
3. **Upskill** your teams
4. **Document** and co-author your journey
5. **Recharge** with valuable insights
6. **Develop a Roadmap** with experts
7. **Solve challenges** in a Hackathon
8. **Network & attend** the Lean Forum
9. **Certify** & celebrate your journey
10. **Enhance** your brand reputation



FULL VISIBILITY OF THE CURRENT SITUATION

PRIORITISE ON WHAT REALLY MATTERS

TEAM ALIGNMENT TOWARDS YOUR TRUE NORTH

LEAN DIAMONDS AWARDS 2027 · CALENDAR

NOV 2026	NOV 2026 – APR 2027	JAN – MAY 2027	MAY 2027	JUN – NOV 2027	DEC 2027
Launch of the 2027 edition	**Registration & Gemba Walk**	**32 Masterclasses** with international experts, live online and recorded	**Self-assessment** 360 Lean SMART	**Cappuccino Talks** participants share their journeys; jury evaluates the cases	**Lean Forum & Hackathon** cases completed Dec 2027; book to be published in 2028

32 MASTERCLASSES

Individual 45-min sessions · live online and recorded · calendar to be published

1. LEAN

1 Intro to Lean
2 Lean Leadership and Culture
3 Hoshin Kanri
4 Lean Six Sigma
5 Value Stream Mapping
6 Problem Solving and Gemba Walk
7 Lean Supply Chain
8 Lean Diamonds Lessons Learned

2. LEAN INNOVATION

9 Intro to Lean Innovation
10 Design Thinking
11 Service Design
12 Set Based Design
13 Business Model Innovation
14 Lean Startup & Agile Project Management
15 The Impact of Lean Innovation
16 Lean Diamonds Lessons Learned

3. LEAN DIGITAL

17 Intro to Lean Digital
18 AI & Machine Learning
19 Generative AI & Agents
20 Critical Success Factors for AI
21 Industry 4.0 Technologies
22 Digital Waste
23 Integrating Lean, Innovation, Digital & Six Sigma
24 Lean Diamonds Lessons Learned

4. LEAN FOR SUSTAINABILITY

25 Remanufacturing
26 Circular Economy
27 Lean for Sustainability
28 Life Cycle Thinking
29 Change Management & Skills Matrix
30 ESG Reporting
31 Lean Transformation Roadmap
32 Lean Diamonds Lessons Learned

RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS



- 1 One award to: **the most impactful transformation journey**
- 1 One award to: **the best lean leader**
- 1 One award to: **the best lean culture**
- 1 One award to: **the best emerging lean innovative practices**
- 1 One award to: **the best lean kickoff**



LARGE AND SMALL ORGANISATIONS FROM ALL SECTORS ARE WELCOME!

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FIVE LEAN DIAMONDS MEMBERSHIPS · EDITION 2027

THE LEAN DIAMONDS

WHAT'S INCLUDED	ENGAGE	DISCOVER	INSIGHTS	ELITE	COMMUNITY
1. Access to online webinars (Cappuccino Talks)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2. Lean Forum 2027 (online or in person)	1 seat	1 seat	2 seats	3 seats	TBD
3. Digital copy of the Lean Diamonds library (35 documented cases)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4. Join the Lean Diamonds Book Club community		✓	✓	✓	✓
5. Self-assessment and maturity level report		✓	✓	✓	✓
6. Lean journey documentation (best cases published)		✓	✓	✓	✓
7. Gemba Walk* with experts			✓	✓	✓
8. Benchmarking and recommendations report			✓	✓	✓
9. Lean Diamonds certification organizational maturity			✓	✓	✓
10. Hackathon participation			✓	✓	✓
11. Networking dinner during the Lean Forum 2027				✓	✓
12. Masterclasses (32 sessions)				✓	✓
13. Propose challenges for the Hackathon				✓	✓
14. Roadmapping session (one day in company)				✓	✓
15. Quarterly follow-up call during 2028				✓	✓
Participate with a group of organisations**					✓

** Depending on the location and costs, Gemba Walks can be done on-site or virtually.*
*** Bring different sites and/or suppliers into the Lean Diamonds journey and turn individual progress into collective momentum.*

WHY WAIT TO UNLOCK YOUR HIDDEN POTENTIAL?

The hidden cost of standing still, and what The Lean Diamonds Awards puts in its place

1 Hidden problems remain

Effort goes to symptoms, not root causes.

→ **Diagnose what lies below the waterline**

2 No reference point

Without a benchmark, priorities are guesswork.

→ **Benchmark against world class organisations**

3 Momentum fades

Programmes plateau with no external rhythm.

→ **Recharge with the DARE cycle and quarterly calls**

4 Slower to adopt what's next

AI, Industry 4.0 and circular economy learnt late and alone.

→ **32 masterclasses with global experts**

5 Invisible achievements

Good work stays unseen by clients, investors and talent.

→ **Certify, document and celebrate your journey**

6 Disengaged teams

Employees lose motivation and leave.

→ **Recognise and upskill your people**

7 A lost network

Solving alone what others have already solved.

→ **Connect with peers to network and learn together**

Don't guess.

Make decisions with data.

Join The Lean Diamonds Awards 2027.

Registration is open until April 2027.

ROI 5X or more

LEAN DIAMONDS AWARDS 2022 – 2026

35	15	38	1500+	150+	2
Organisations joined	Countries	International judges	Research hours	Interviews	Published books

LET'S TALK

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