

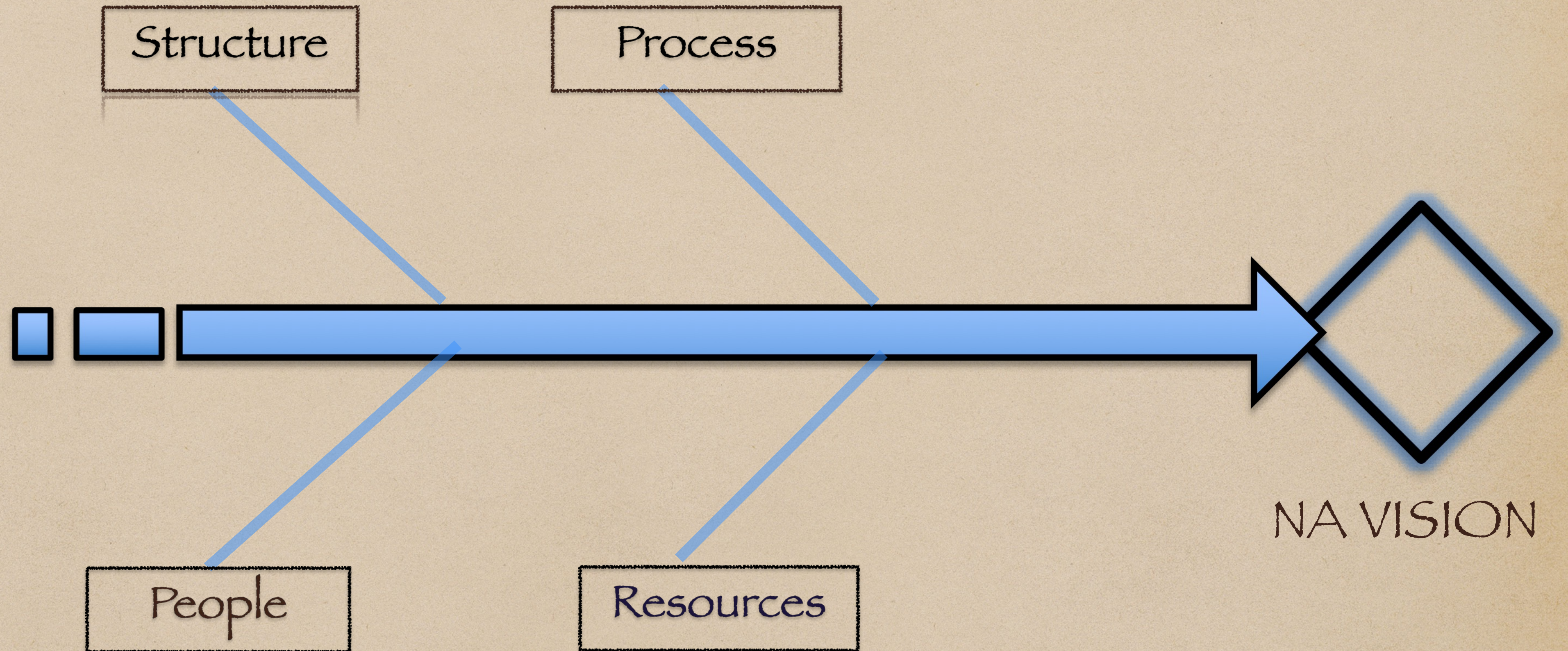
EUROPEAN DELEGATES MEETING (EDM)

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Building strong, reliable services

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Elements of an effective service structure



Trusting the process

When we trust the process, we are free to participate in it.
We are safe to act in unity, speak our conscience from a
place of love, and hear the voice of a Higher Power.
Trust in the process and in our higher power help us sort
out what we want, what we need and what we can afford”

Our Guiding principles: tradition 2



Accountability/responsibility

The practice of being responsible to those we serve teaches us to surrender to the will of the group and have patience with the process. These skills serve us in our personal recovery and in our ongoing development as a fellowship.

Guiding principles: the spirit of our traditions.
Tradition 9. Page 176

Concept 2: Authority / responsibility

The final authority and responsibility for NA services rests with
the NA groups

Twelve concepts for NA service

Concept 3: Delegation of authority

“The NA groups delegate to the service structure the authority it needs to fulfill the responsibility assigned to it.”

Twelve concepts for NA service

Question for discussion.

How can we find balance between the delegation of authority to our service structure and between the final responsibility of the groups over our services?

Sustainability/Being realistic

When we ask our service bodies to do something, ... we need to think about sustainability: will our community be willing to support this over time?

We discuss whether the level of commitment is realistic for us as well as other obligation that already exist.

Guiding principles: the spirit of our traditions.
Tradition 7.

Financial accountability

“We protect (ourselves) and our trusted servants when we prevent large sums of money from being the responsibility of any one person.....this practice also reduces the risk or temptation that can come with large sums on hand.”

Guiding principles: the spirit of our traditions.
Tradition 7. Page 127.

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

Question 1

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Question 2

How do we know if our service efforts are building up or burning out?

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Question 3

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Small group discussions

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Building strong reliable services

It takes time to build services that we can sustain and that will sustain us. It is our responsibility to keep an eye on either our efforts in service are building up or burning out. The investment of time and energy that is called for building solid, reliable services pays off in solid, reliable NA communities.

Guiding principles: the spirit of our traditions.
Tradition 7. Page 130.

WRAP UP

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