

GRISEKONGRES 2021

DIFFERENT CULTURES

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INTRODUCTION

- I was born in Romania
- As child i was already spending a lot of time helping my family with agriculture



SCHOOL & STUDIES

Veterinary highschool (Romania)

Agricultural technical school (Hungary)

Agricultural school (Denmark, Dalum Landbrugsskole)

LANGDYSSEGARD

Møldrup



1200 sows

8000 klima pig

450 ha field

COWORKERS:

Danish

Hungarian

Ukrainian

ENCOUNTERED DIFFICULTIES

Arriving in Denmark => through a Hungarian School
Danish school => poor language skills
Workplace => poor language skills
Danish people => understanding and getting to
know the culture, and the behavior of a foreign
country

HOW I BECAME A FARM MANAGER

- Arrived as the last worker to the farm
- Poor language skills
- Not with the most experience
- Greatest diligence
- Paying attention to everything
- Fast learning

DANISH PEOPLE

- Distance keeping
- Generally difficult to make friendship
- Almost no chance for friendship at workplace

ADVANTAGE

- ✓ easier to sustain the boss-worker relationship
- ✓ easier to quit

DISADVANTAGE

- ✗ colder relationship among workers

FOREIGN PEOPLE

- Easily friendship
- More friendly than danish people

ADVANTAGE

- ✓ get used to the job quickly
- ✓ good mood at work
- ✓ formation of friendly relations

DISADVANTAGE

- ✗ more difficult control
- ✗ work sharing
- ✗ more difficult conflict management
- ✗ more difficult job changes
- ✗ difficult separation

EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP between different nations

Danish boss \Leftrightarrow Danish worker

Danish boss \Leftrightarrow Foreign worker

Foreign boss \Leftrightarrow Foreign worker

Foreign boss \Leftrightarrow Danish worker

Aspects analyzed

Respect, Trust, Accuracy, Cooperation, Conflict management

EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP between different nations

	Danish Boss Employee	Danish Boss Employee	Danish Boss Employee	Foreign Boss Employee	Foreign Boss Employee	Foreign Boss Employee	Foreign Boss Employee	Danish Boss Employee
Respect	✓	✓						
Trust								
Accuracy								
Cooperation								
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- Respect each other
- Foreigners should learn from them (including me)

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Respect	✓	✓	✓?	✗?				
Trust								
Accuracy								
Cooperation								
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- Most of danish people respect the foreign people
- Depends of that worker
- The most foreing worker show respect

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Respect	✓	✓	✓?	✗?	✗?	✗		
Trust								
Accuracy								
Cooperation								
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- Greatest experience
- Depends of worker
- Worker do not show respect
- Very few
- It is late

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Respect	✓	✓	✓?	✗?	✗?	✗	✓	✗
Trust								
Accuracy								
Cooperation								
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- We respect them
- There are few such jobs
- There are few dan workers who accept the foreign boss
- He respect for my work

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Trust	✓	✓						
Accuracy								
Cooperation								
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- They trust in each other
- Habit of envious
- Easier work
- No control

EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP between different nations

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Respect	✓	✓	✓?	✗?	✗?	✗	✓	✗
Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?				
Accuracy								
Cooperation								
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- Variable
- Depends of the people (worker)
- Is true vice - versa

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗		
Accuracy								
Cooperation								
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- Bad habit
- For both of them
- It develops a lot
- Own experience

EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP between different nations

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Respect	✓	✓	✓?	✗?	✗?	✗	✓	✗
Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy								
Cooperation								
Conflict management								
Feedback								

➤ I think it works well enough

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓							
Cooperation									
Conflict management									
Feedback									

- Perhaps I like it the most
- I have developed a lot in this field
- Perhaps they are too accurate, and that is not the best way (for working)

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗				
Cooperation								
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- They are conflicts
- There is good things
- The foreign worker is more flexible

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗		
Cooperation								
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- We want to be accurate already
- It is not easy

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation								
Conflict management								
Feedback								

➤ it's easier here

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?						
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- It is efficient
- Not the best atmosphere
- Everyone works for themselves

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?	✓	✓				
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- Works well
- Good feedback
- A lot of foreign worker

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?	✓	✓	✓	✓?		
Conflict management								
Feedback								

- It works well
- Efficient
- Good spirit

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?	✓	✓	✓	✓?	✓	✓?
Conflict management								
Feedback								

➤ It works well

➤ There is progress to be made

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?	✓	✓	✓	✓?	✓	✓?
Conflict management	✓	✓						
Feedback								

- Little respect, reliability, accuracy
- Fast management of conflicts
- Fast getting over

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?	✓	✓	✓	✓?	✓	✓?
Conflict management	✓	✓	✓	✗				
Feedback								

- Not so many
- No respect, reliability, accuracy
- Danish boss forgets fast
- Foreign worker forgets harder

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?	✓	✓	✓	✓?	✓	✓?
Conflict management	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗		
Feedback								

- Very hard management
- It lasts long time
- No acceptance for/from the other side

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?	✓	✓	✓	✓?	✓	✓?
Conflict management	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗?	✓
Feedback								

- Variable
- From danish side is easier and faster
- From foreign side is harder

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?	✓	✓	✓	✓?	✓	✓?
Conflict management	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗?	✓
Feedback	✗?	✗?						

- Not working
- Very few
- Danish don't need it
- It would need much more

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?	✓	✓	✓	✓?	✓	✓?
Conflict management	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗?	✓
Feedback	✗?	✗?	✓?	✓				

- Works better
- Foreigner needs it very much
- Not so much, there is need for more

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?	✓	✓	✓	✓?	✓	✓?
Conflict management	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗?	✓
Feedback	✗?	✗?	✓?	✓	✓?	✓?		

- A lot of good feedback
- But not enough

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Trust	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗	✗	✓	✓?
Accuracy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓?	✗	✓?	✓
Cooperation	✓?	✓?	✓	✓	✓	✓?	✓	✓?
Conflict management	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗?	✓
Feedback	✗?	✗?	✓?	✓	✓?	✓?	✓?	✗

➤ Not the best

➤ Danish accept harder the foreigner

EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP between different nations

	✓	✓?	✗	✗?
Respect	3	1	2	2
Trust	4	2	2	0
Accuracy	4	2	2	0
Cooperation	5	3	0	0
Conflict management	4	0	4	
Feedback	1	3	3	1

Coorporation
Trust
Accuracy
Respect
Conflict
management
Feedback



could be better

needs a lot of work

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN FOREIGN WORKERS

When did they arrive in Denmark?

1 => 10-15-20 years ago

2 => 0-1-2 years ago

1 => they have integrated, family foundation, got to know the country

2 => foreigners, they don't know the country, the habits and the work-morale

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN FOREIGN WORKERS

Why did they come to Denmark?

1 => Learning

2 => Working (for income)

3 => to establish a family and live here in the hope of
a better life

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN DANISH AND FOREIGNER WORKERS

Danish: - experienced
- flexible (place of work)
- don't get attached to working place

Foreigner: - less experienced
- get attached to working place
- get attached to the city/village
- flexible at work (extra hours, weekend working, coworkers)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

Questions?