How entrepreneurial motivation affects teamwork in Academic spin-offs

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Have you had **any problem**
when you working **with your teammates**
in this **hard competition?**

Good teamwork is difficult to achieve !!
Morning style vs Midnight style

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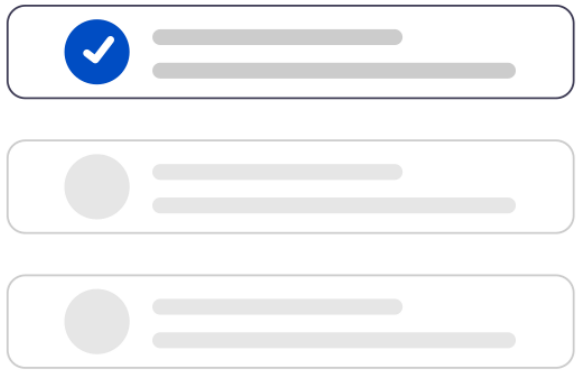

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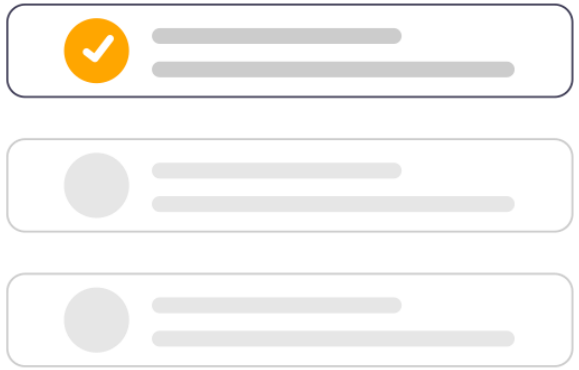

Innovation promotes our lives.

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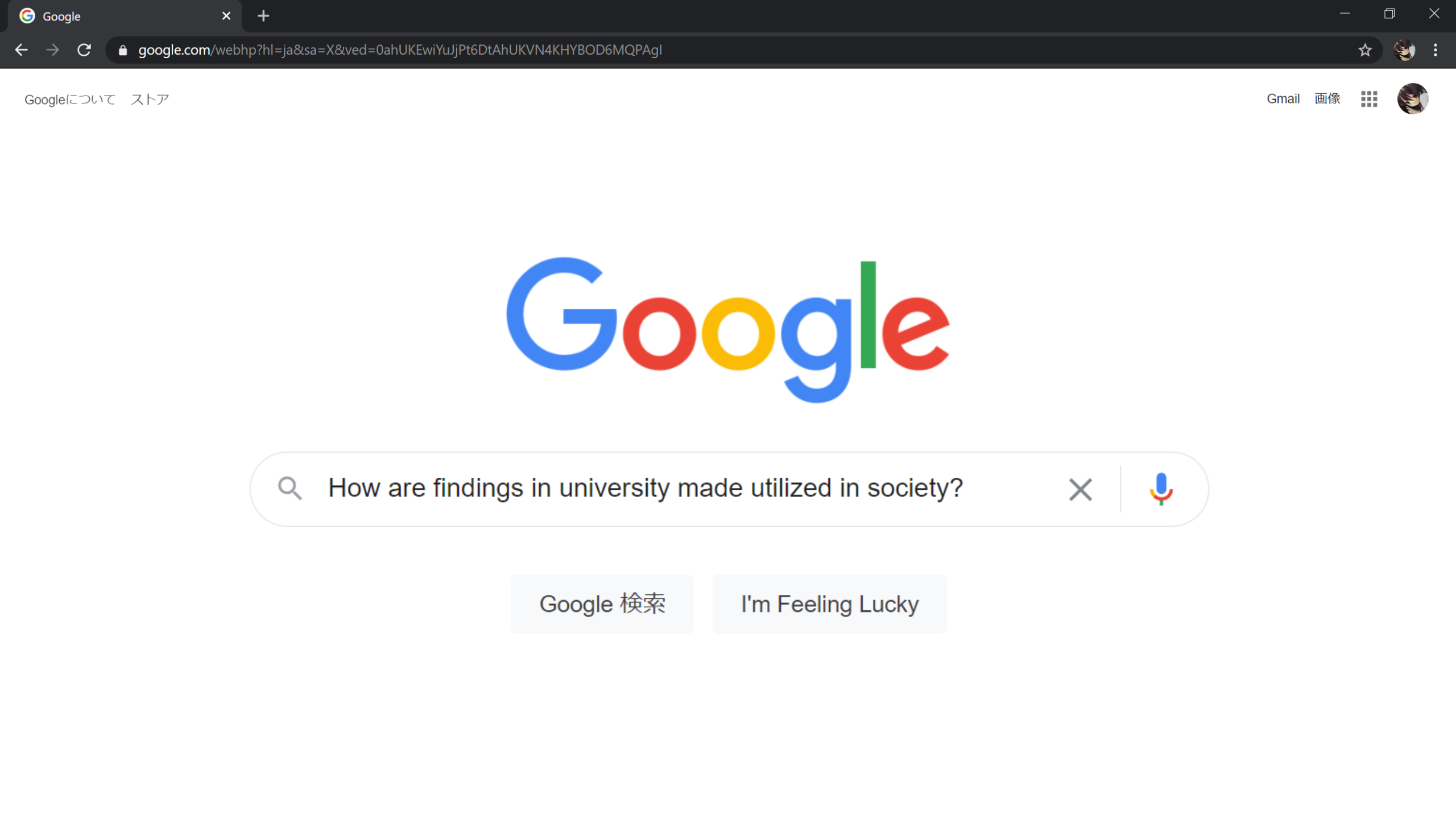
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ASO has significant power to **promote innovation!!**

Ac der pin off (ASO)

A is a n firm created to commercially exploit some knowledge, technology, or research results in a university.

University spin-offs (also known as **university spin-outs**)[1][2] transform technological inventions developed from university research that are likely to remain unexploited otherwise.[3] As such, university/academic spin-offs are a subcategory of research spin-offs. Prominent examples of university spin-offs are Genentech, Crucell, Lycos and Plastic Logic. In most countries,

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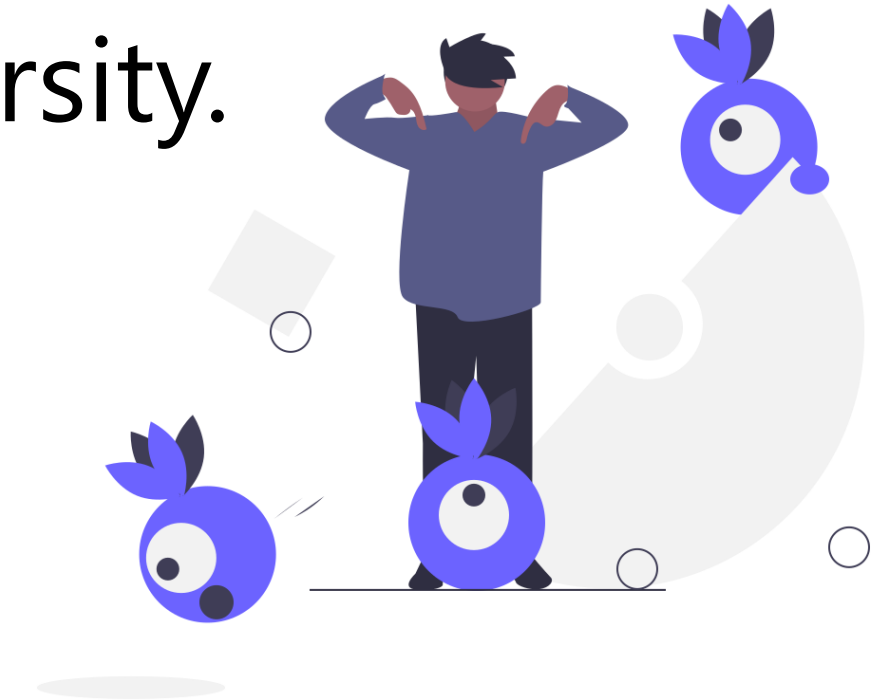
ASO is **unique**

because it derives from University.



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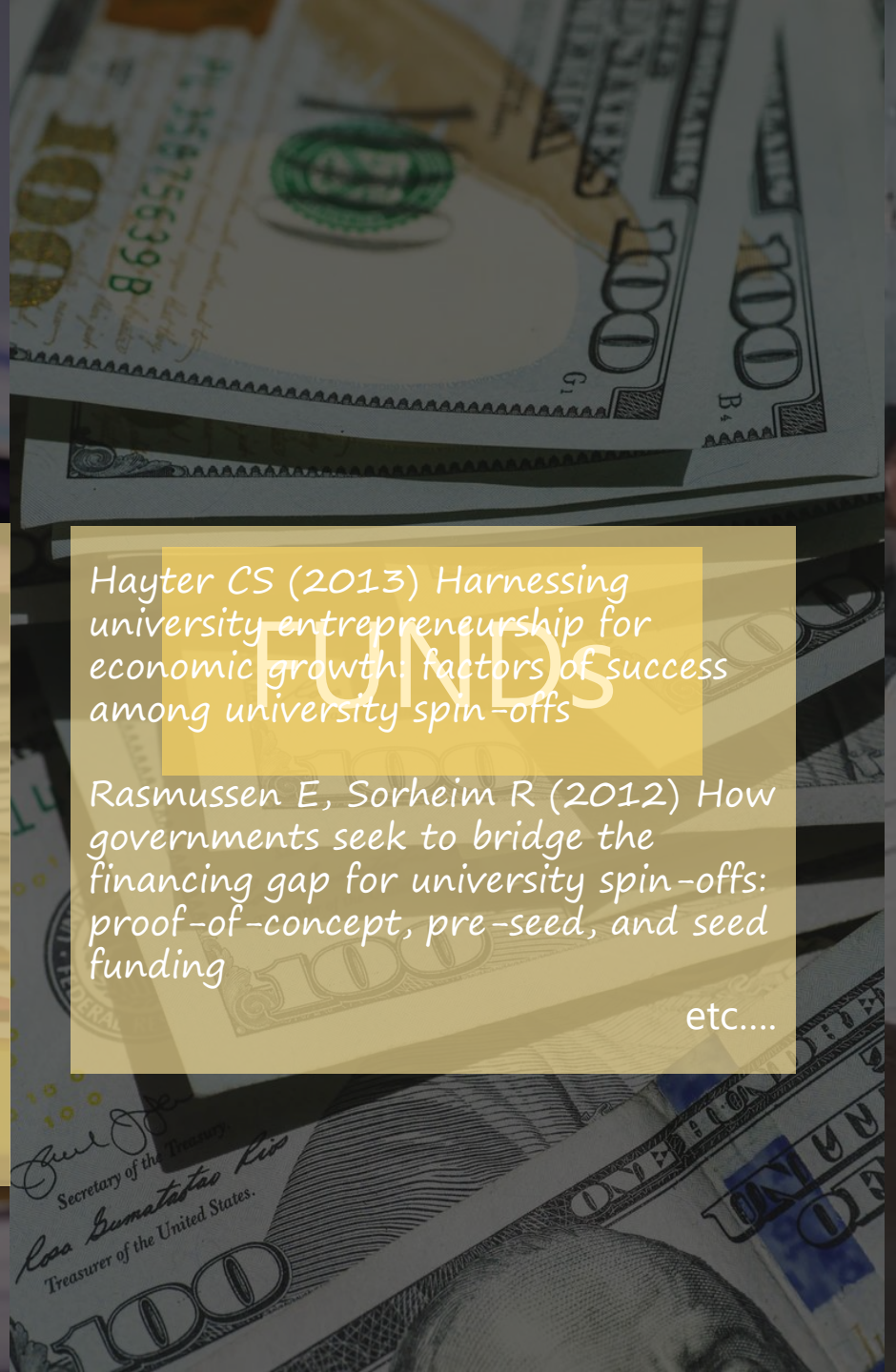

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etc....

Human Resource

a UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS

Academic x Industry in one team

Team-building process in ASOs is still **unclear**

(Yamada 2015)

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Research Flow

1st Interview

2 Venture Capitals

2nd Interview

5 Academic spin-offs

Research Flow

1st Interview

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5 ASOs

Invester A

- Company A (VC)
- 2020/8/5
- 10:00～12:35
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Invester B

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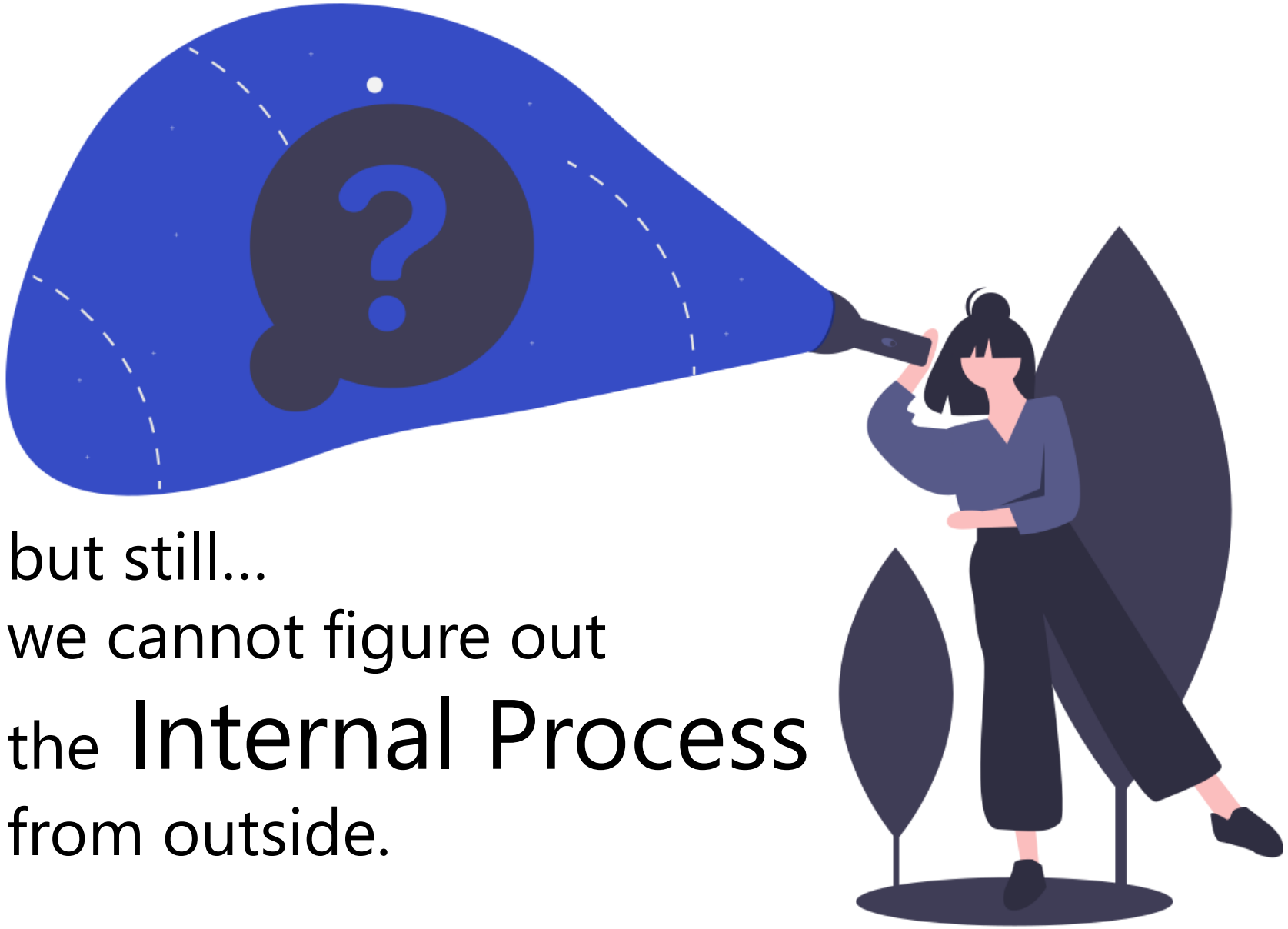
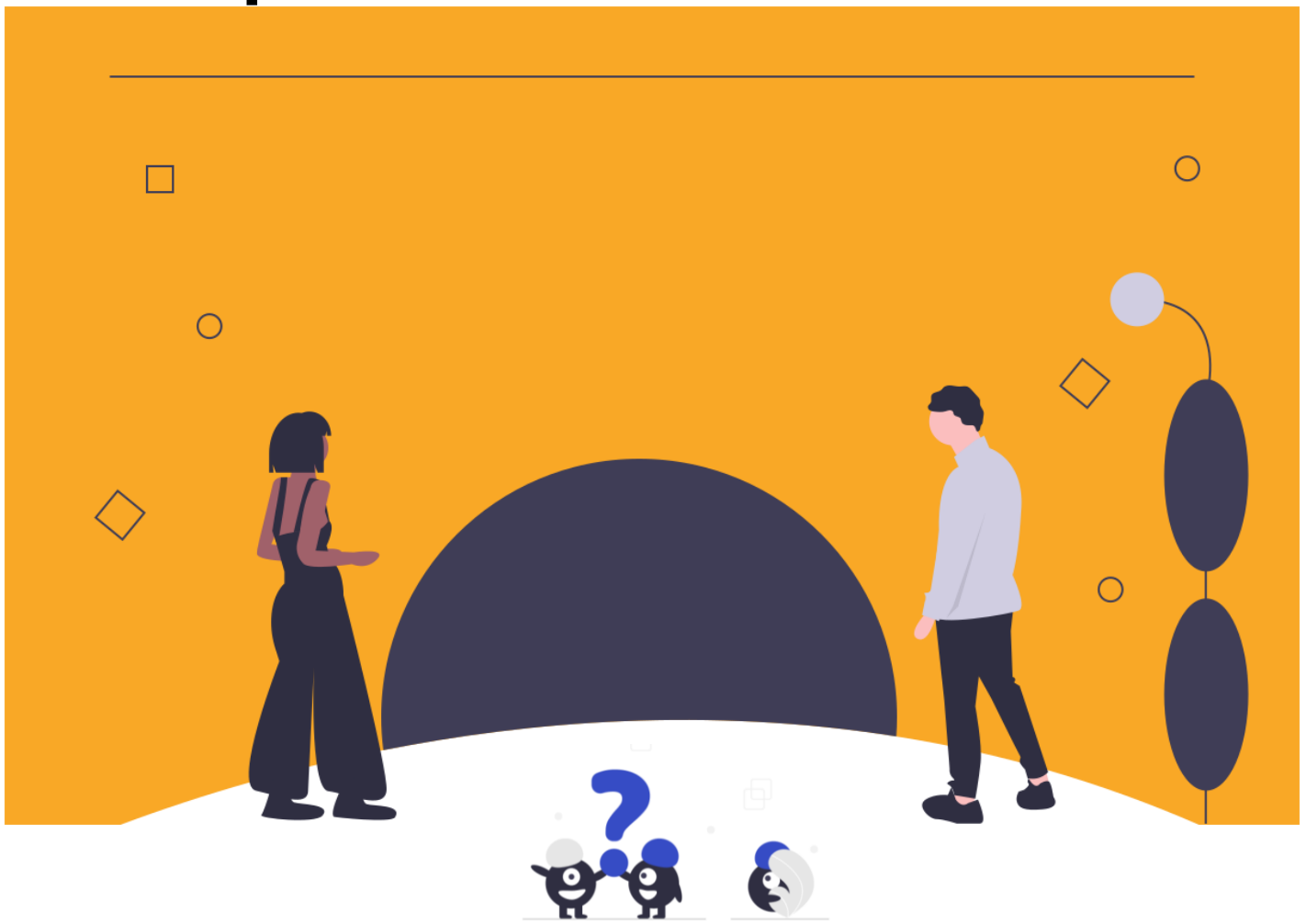
There is **difficulty**
in balancing between **academia** and **industry.**



but still...
we cannot figure out
the Internal Process
from outside.

Let’s explore into real ASOs!!



Our Research Flow

1st Interview

2 Venture Capitals

2nd Interview

5 ASOs

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- Company A
- 2020/8/3
- 15:00～19:00
- Company office

Manager R

- Company A
- 2020/9/18
- 13:00～15:00
- Online

Resercher U

- Company D
- 2020/8/26
- 10:00～12:00
- Company office

Reseacher & Manager T

- Company C
- 2020/8/21
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- Company office

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There are actually
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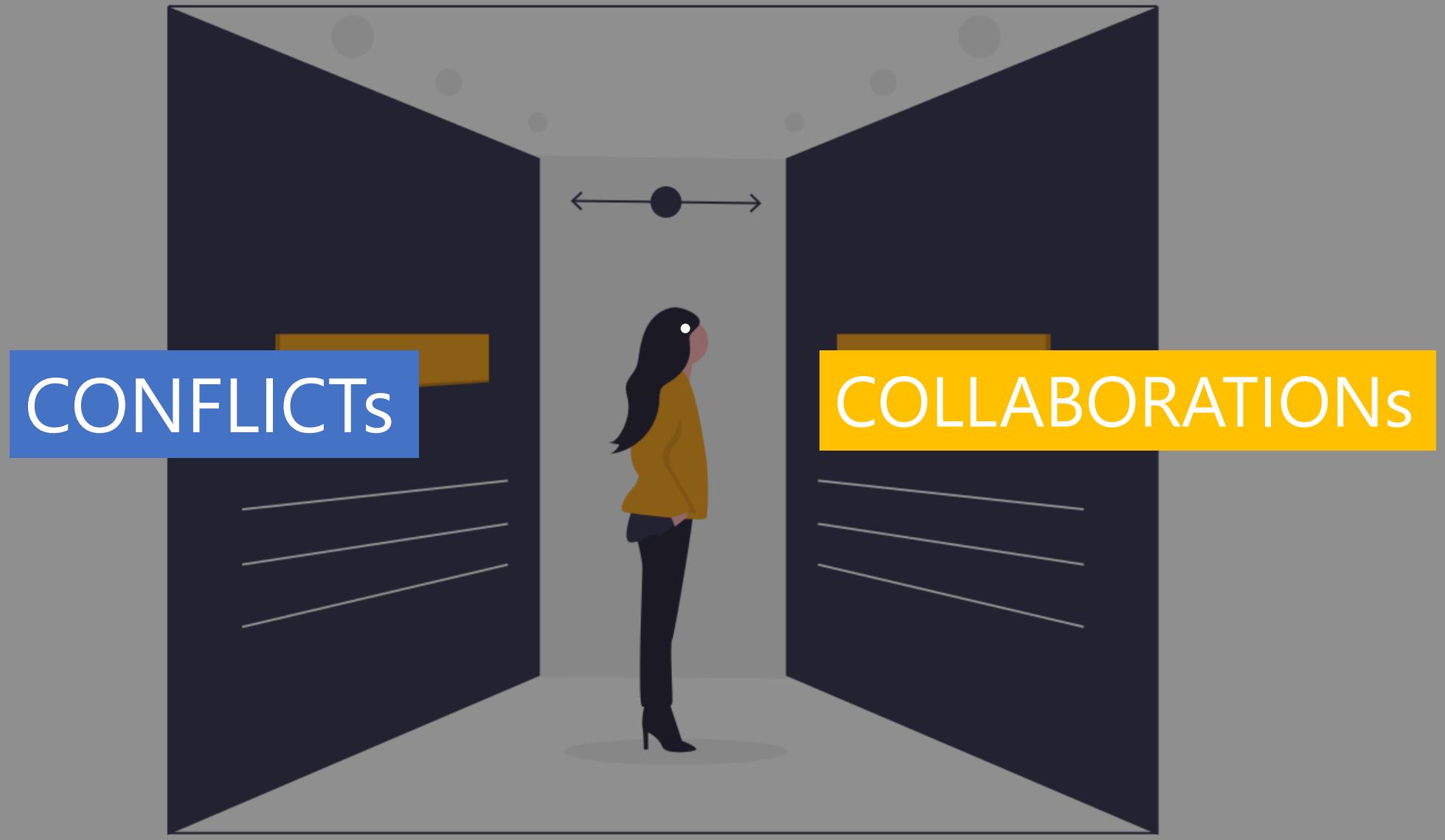
CONFLICTs
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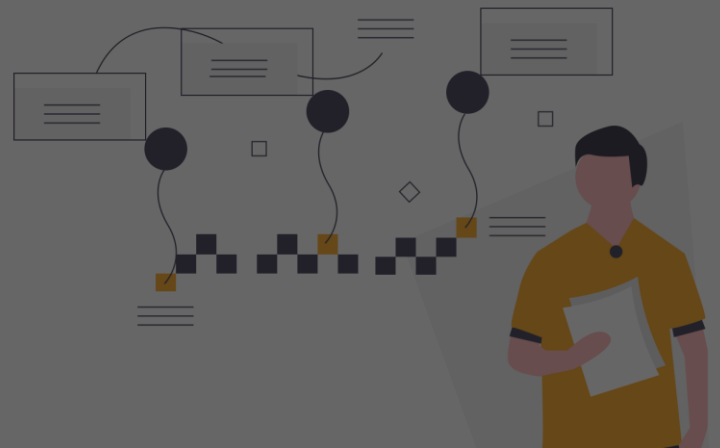
Team Work



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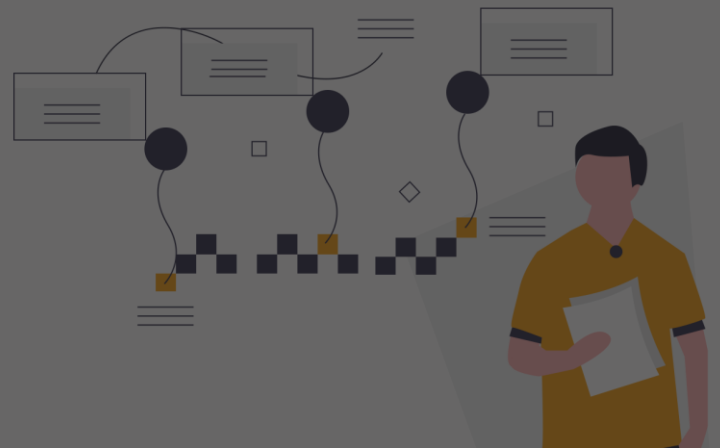

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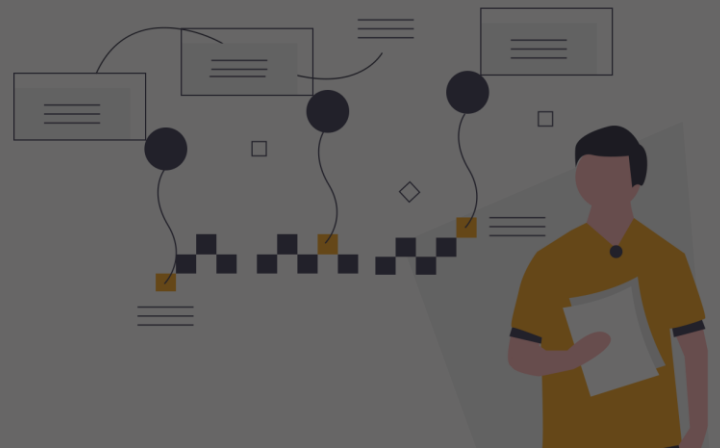

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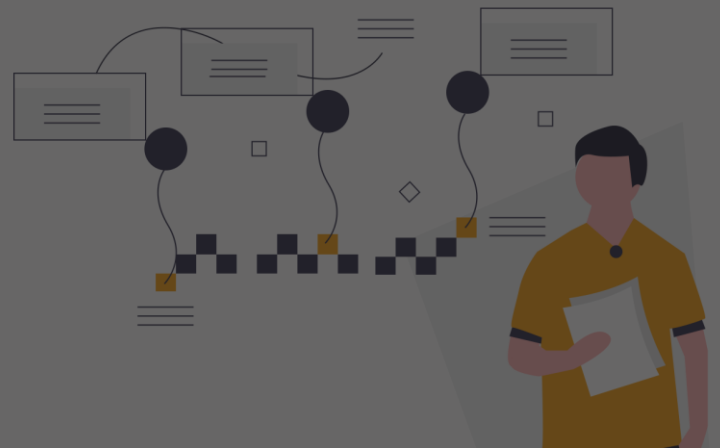

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Entrepreneurial Motivation

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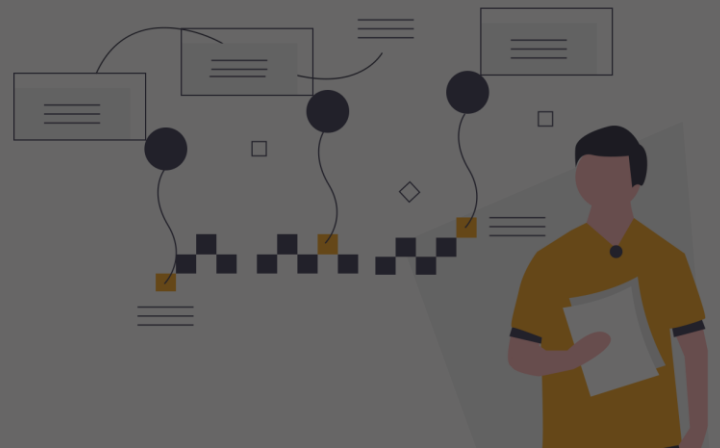
Team Work

the reason of establishing an ASO



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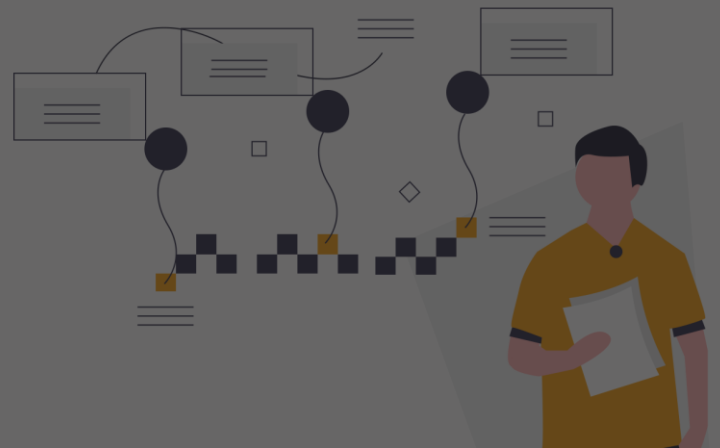

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Team Formation

what kind of HRs make up the team

3rd STEP

Team Work

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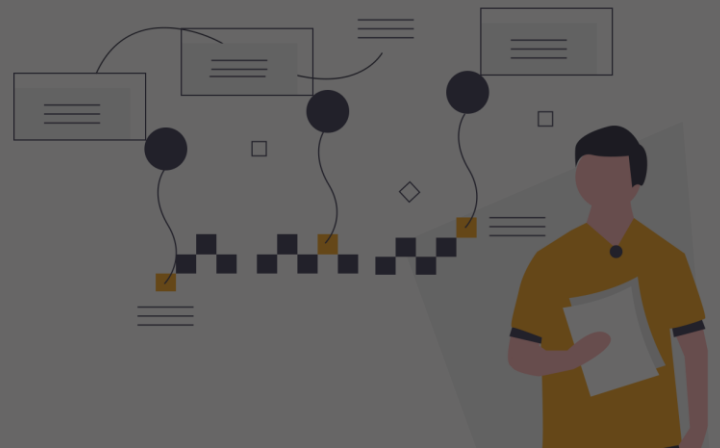

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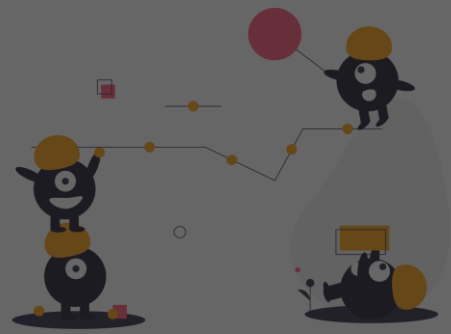

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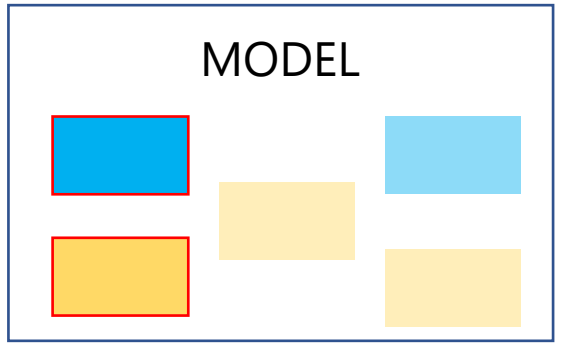

Two Types of Motivation

Aggressive motivation

Defensive motivation

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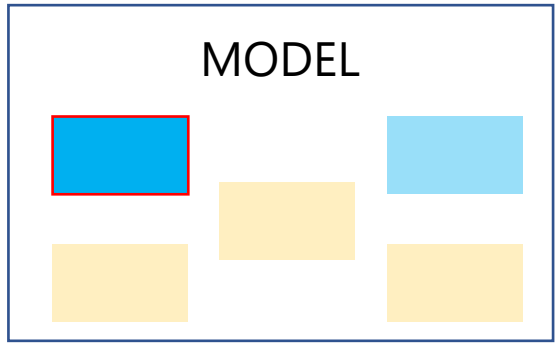
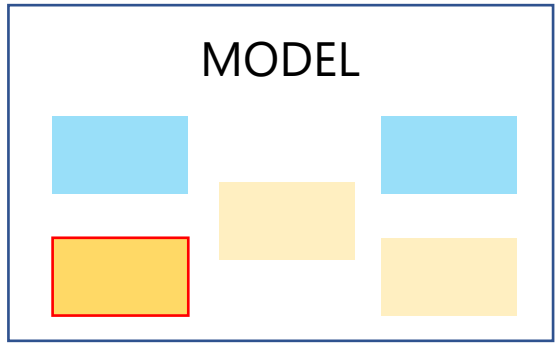


- **High-evaluated** potential of the core tech
- Proactively seeking **business opportunity**

Defensive motivation



- **Low-evaluated** potential of the core tech
- In order to **protect the canceled research projects**

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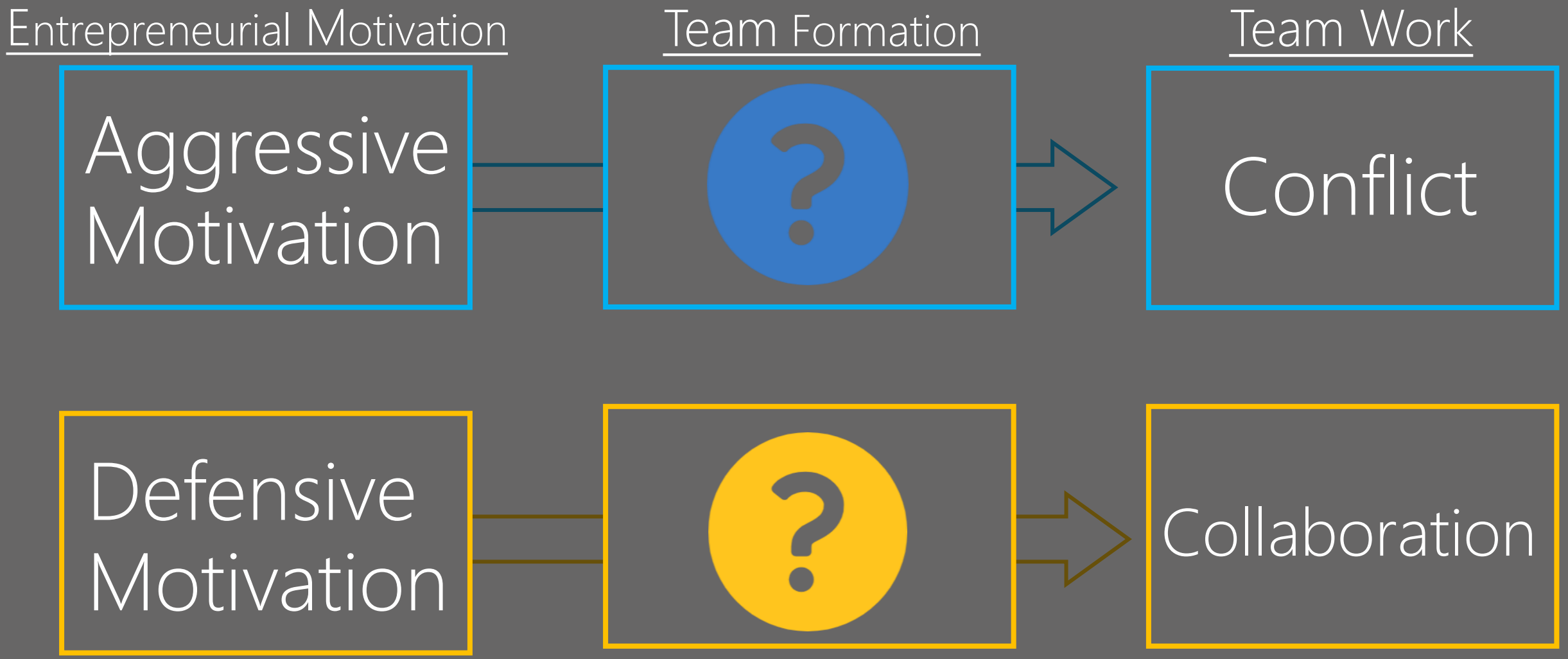
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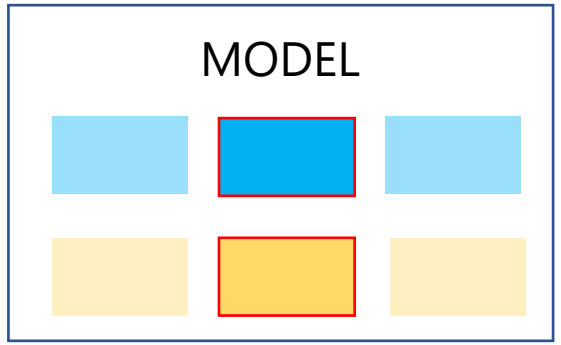
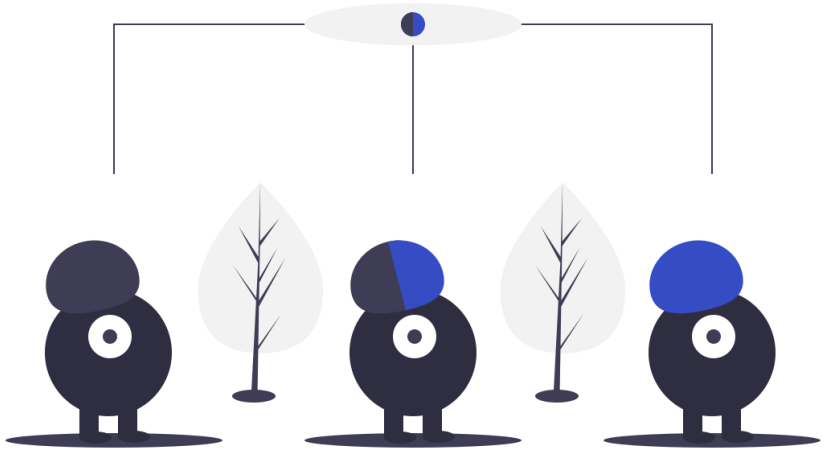


Two Types of Formation

Heterogeneous team

Homogeneous team



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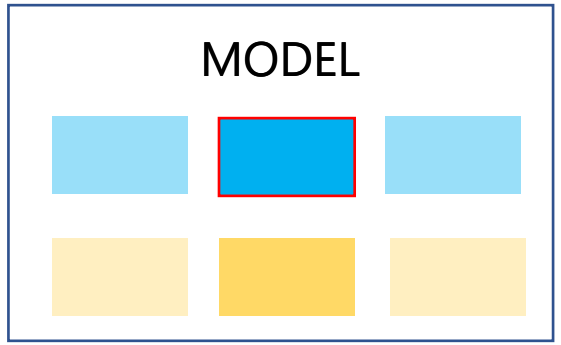
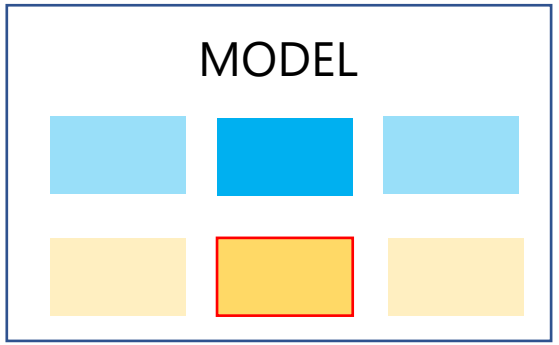


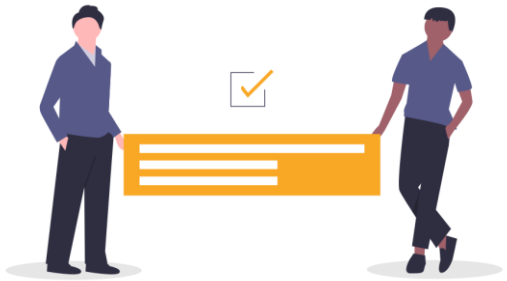
- Composed of people both **academia and industry:**
- Selected from people **in various companies**

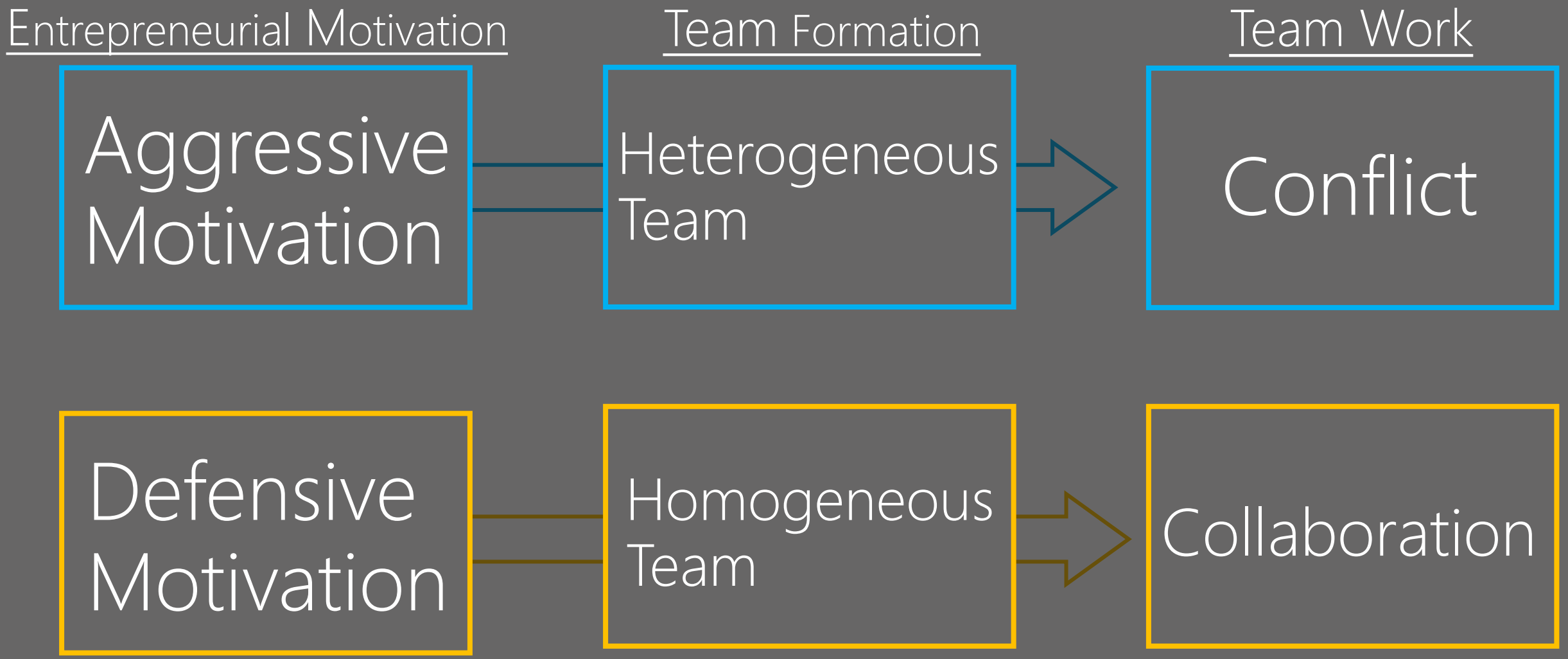
Homogeneous team



- Composed of people **sharing an academic background**

- Selected from people who **have previous relationship**

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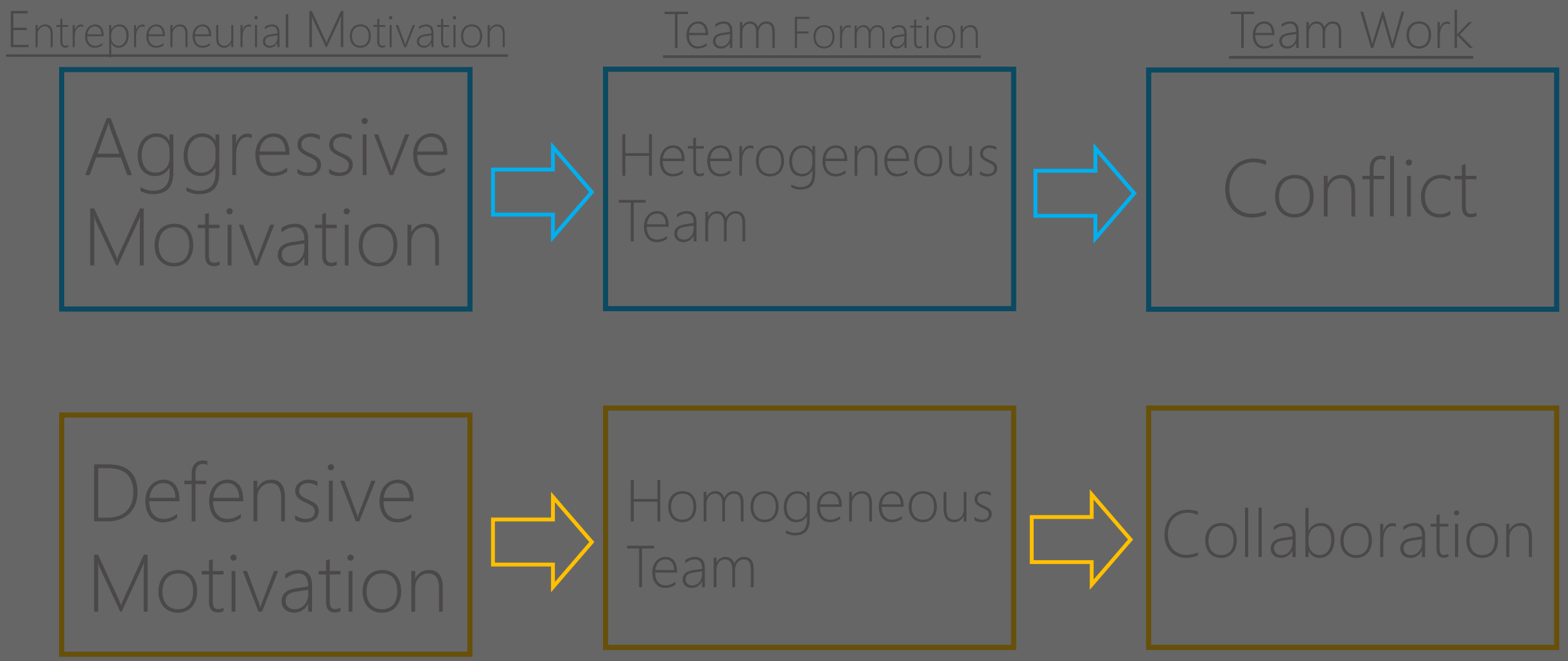
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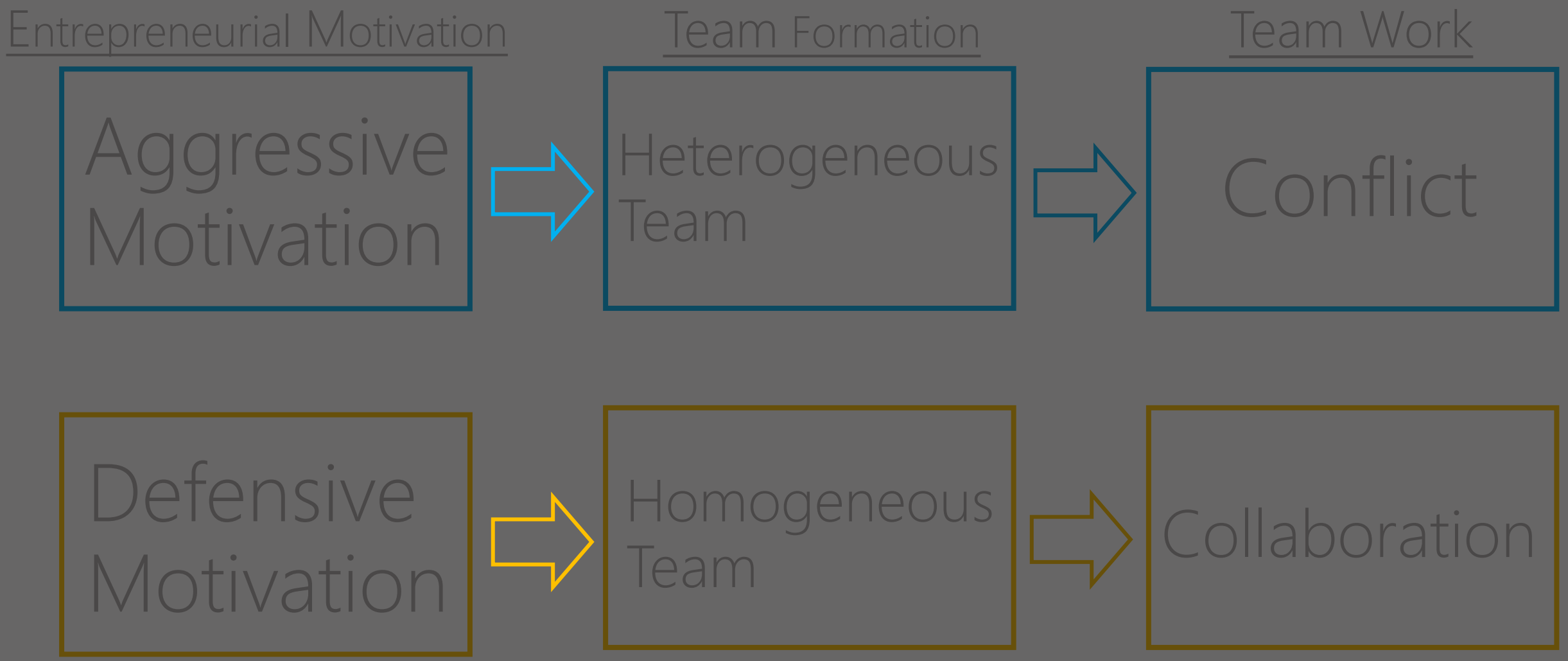
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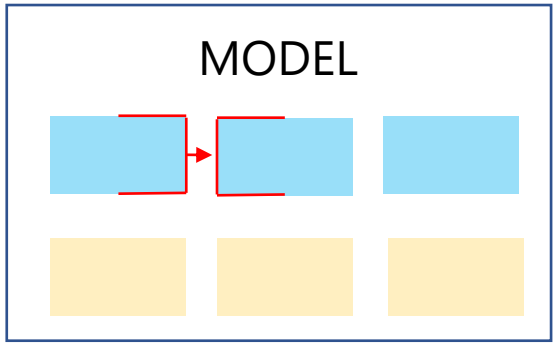
How to Selects the HRs

The formation

Based on aggressive motivation,

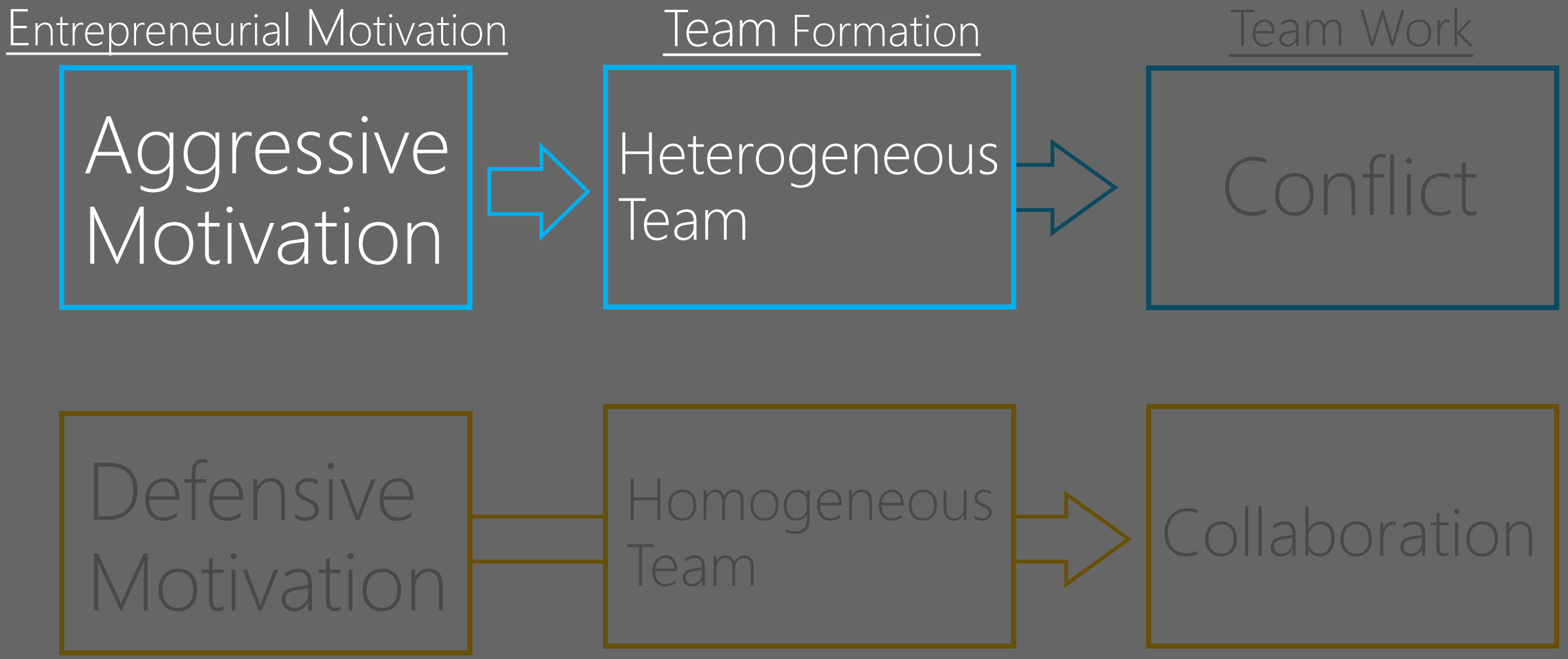
how the HRs are selected?



Various **business professionals**

join the team from industry

in order to **ensure the successful business**.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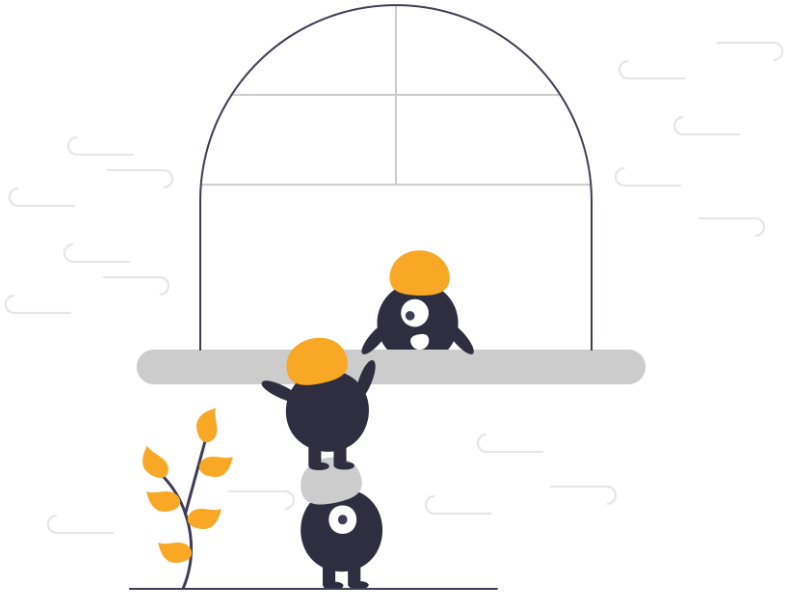
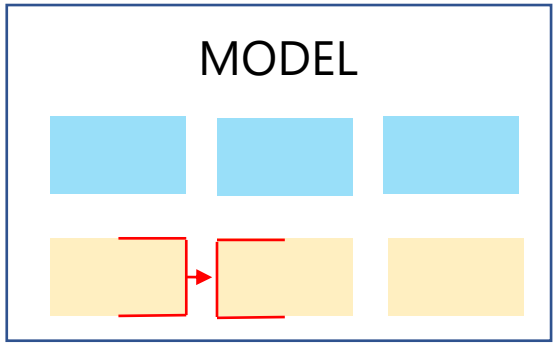
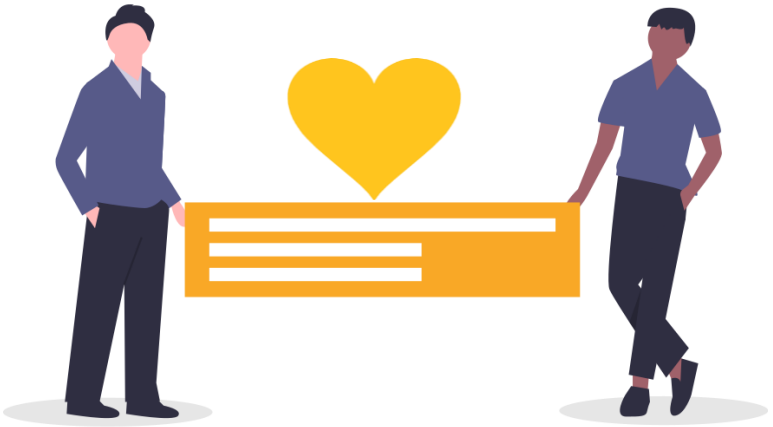




Originally involved people

join the team from academic field

in order to **protect the core tech** from abandoned.



Selection based on

rational plan

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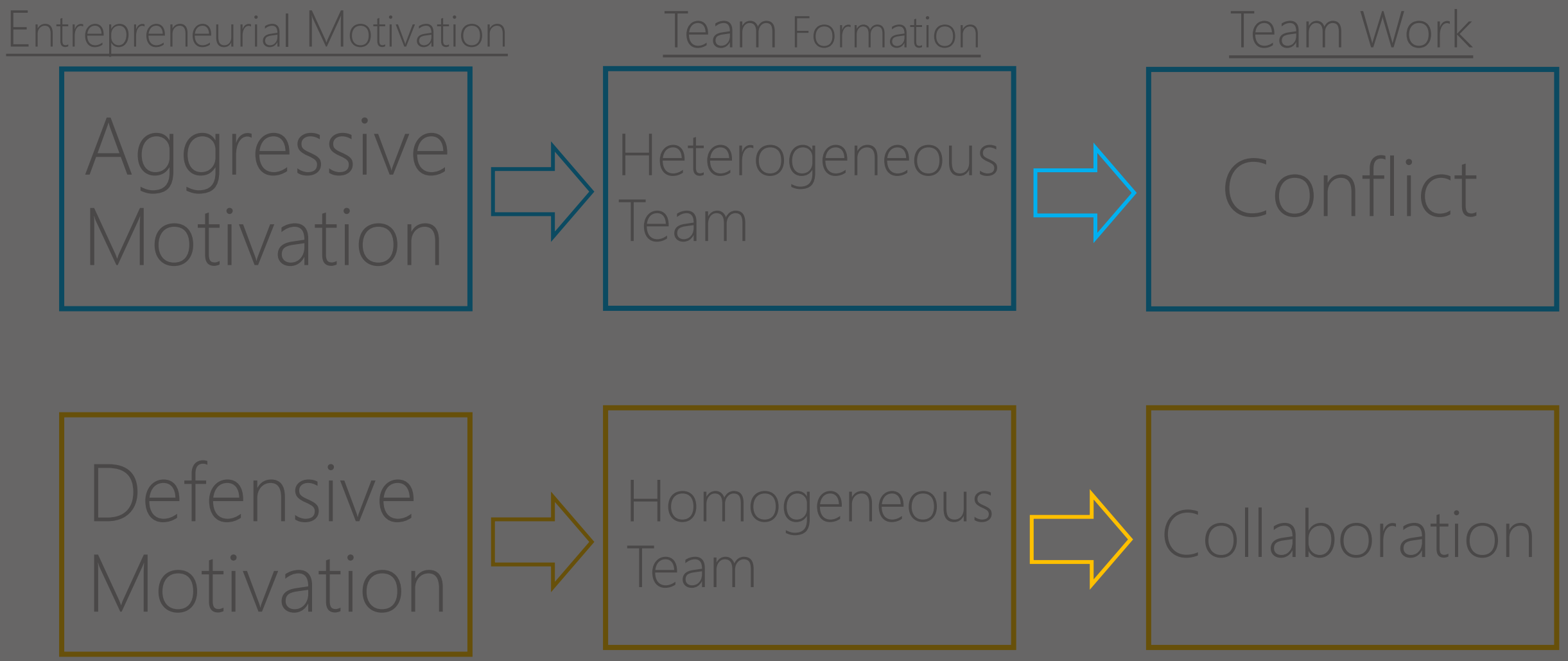
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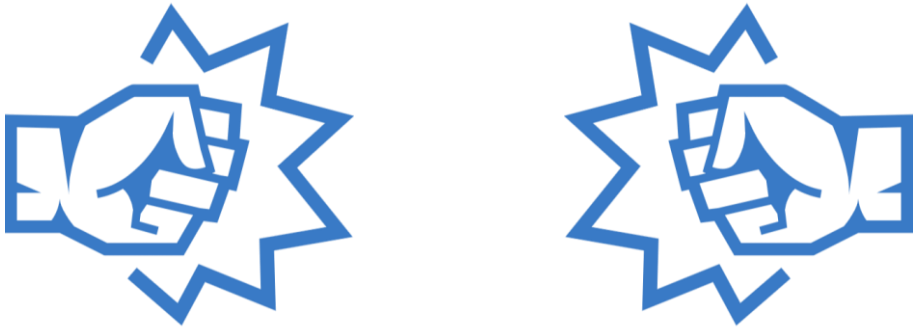
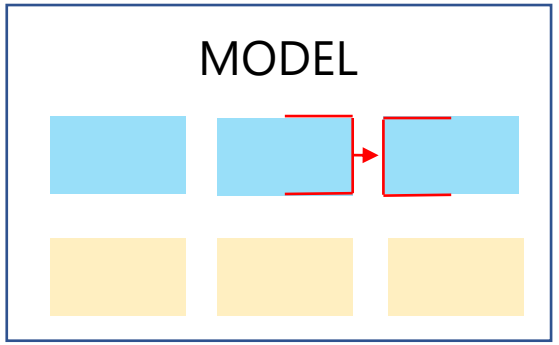
The formation

Cognitive Gap

The teamwork

How Heterogeneous Team ended up in Conflict?





Wide Gap of **Priority** in business.

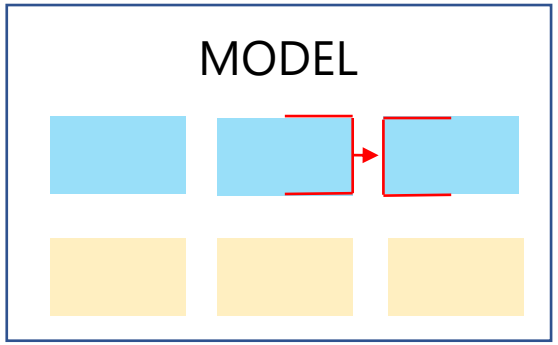
Minimizing risk & Maximizing profit

VS

Achieving Scientific Goal

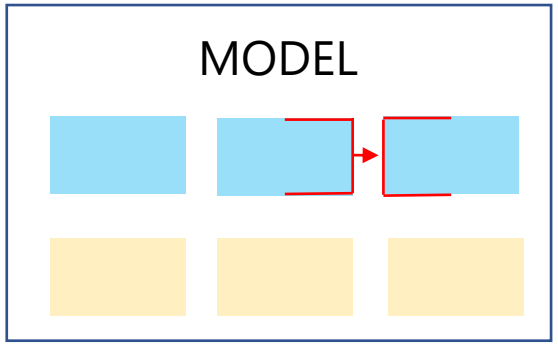
Manager

Researcher



When other company have the producing know-how that they don't have,

outsourcing is…?

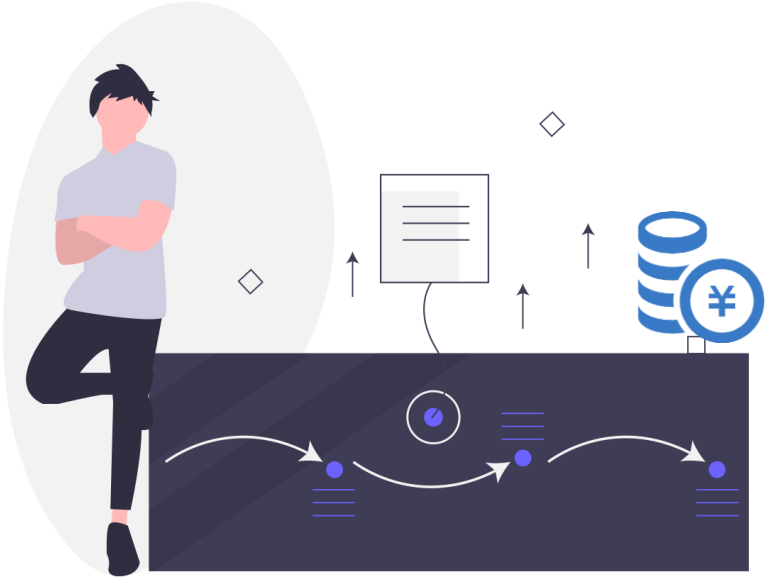


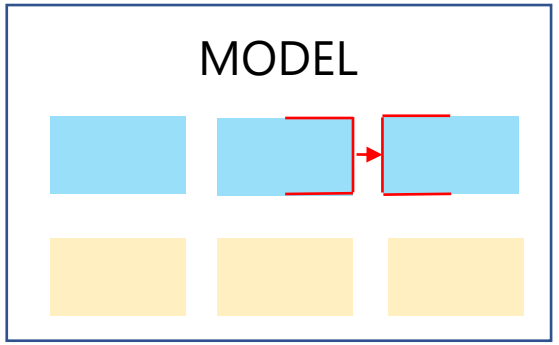
In terms of business

Great RISK of loosing the company's superiority, stability, and profits,

so we should develop **by ourselves**

even if it takes a lots of time and cost.



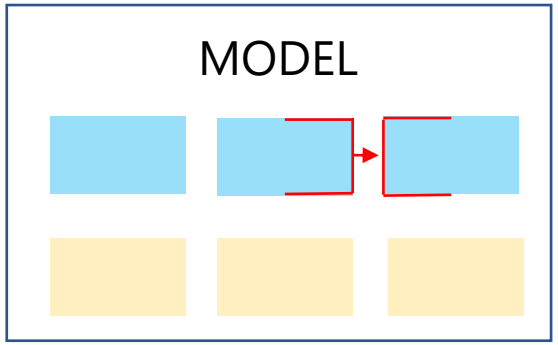


In terms of academic science

The **Quickest way** of making the findings into products,

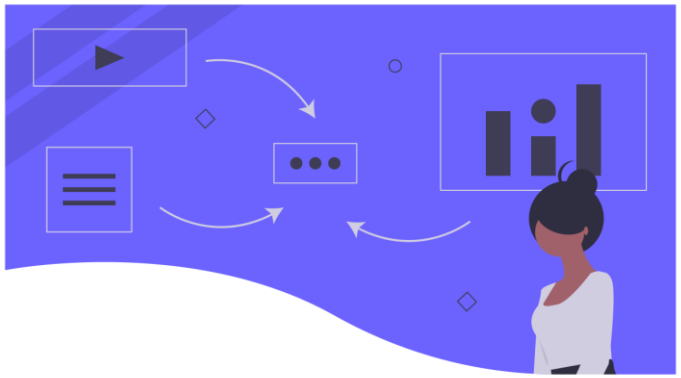
so we should **ask others to produce**

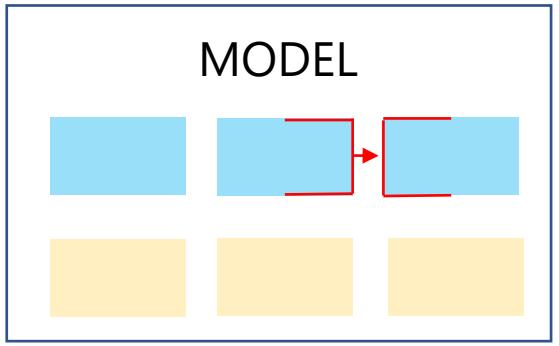
without the waste of resource.



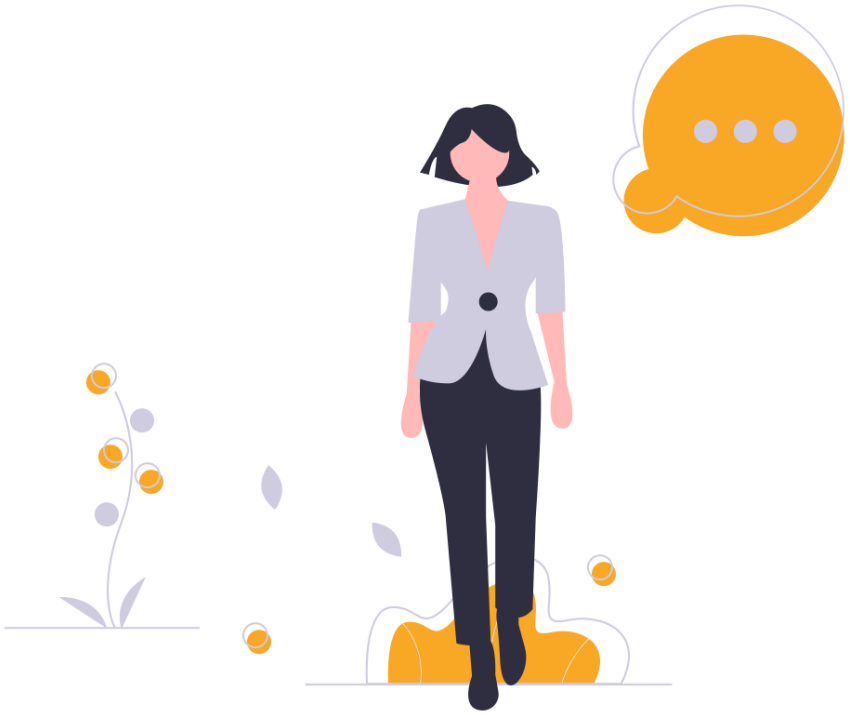
Such **cognitive gap** make the team less united,

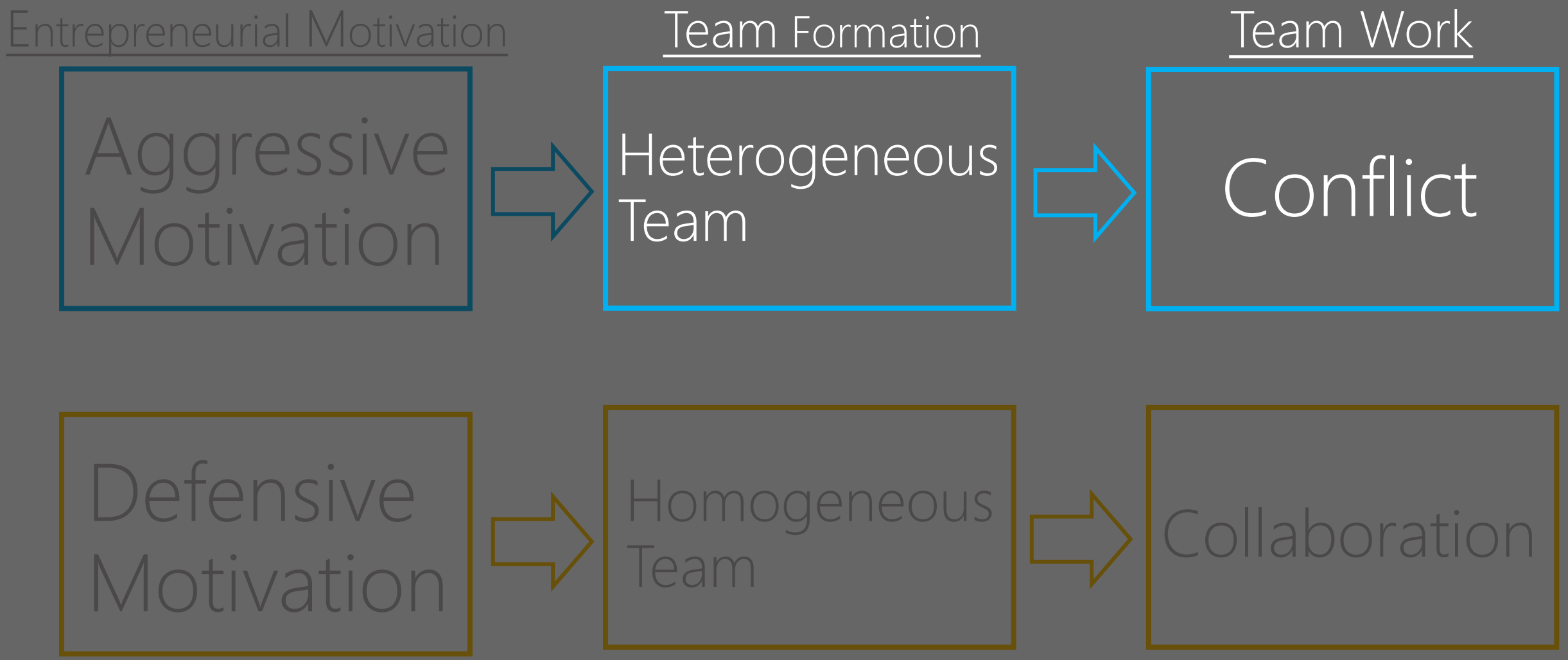
and make the researcher **feel discouraged**.





Finally, the researcher **quit** the further **help** for R&D
that is essential for business.

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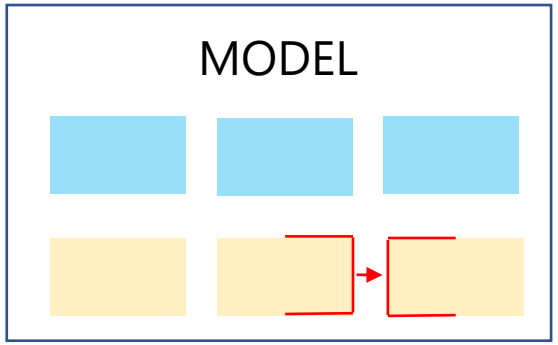


Common understanding to the core tech

and previous **Relationships of mutual trust**

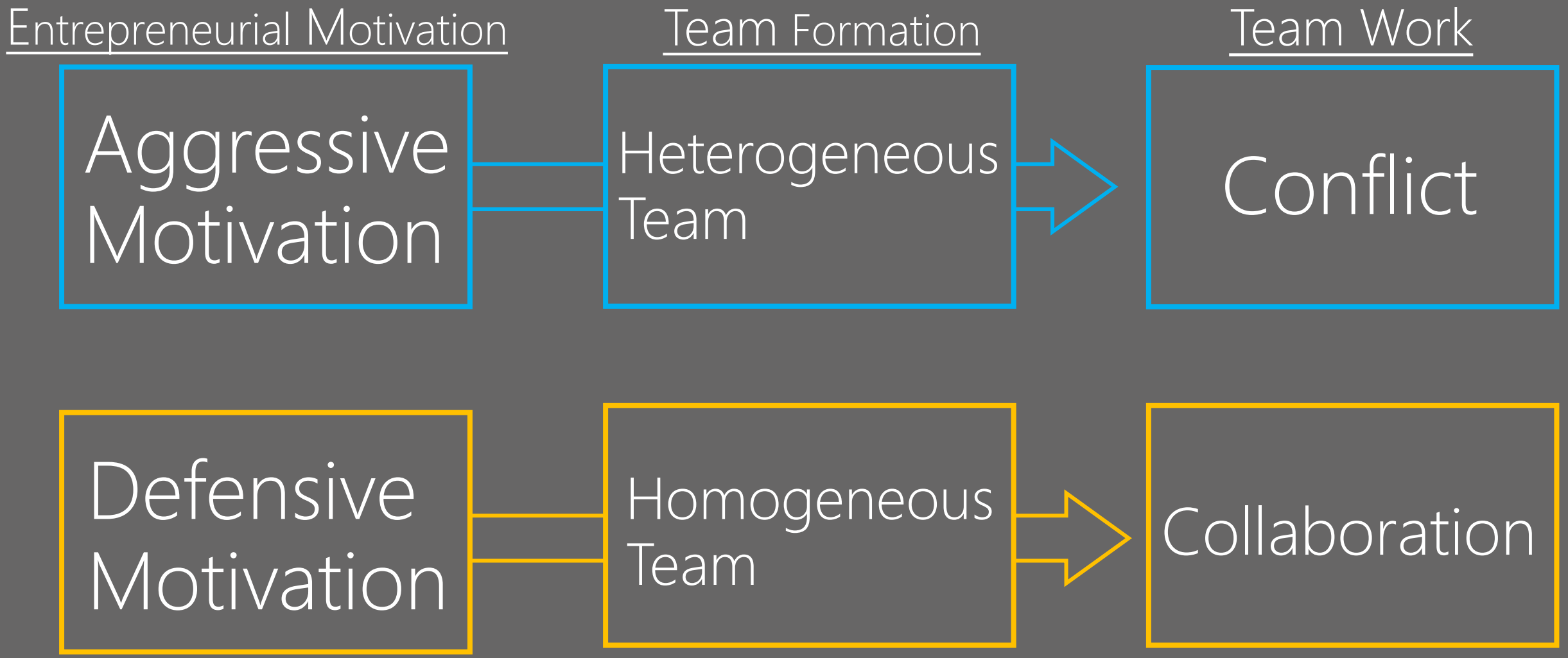
make the cognitive gap **small enough to solve** easily.

Emotional commitment to the core tech itself is the **strong driving force** to overcome every challenge.

Cognitive Gap is

so wide to break up the team

narrow enough to fill up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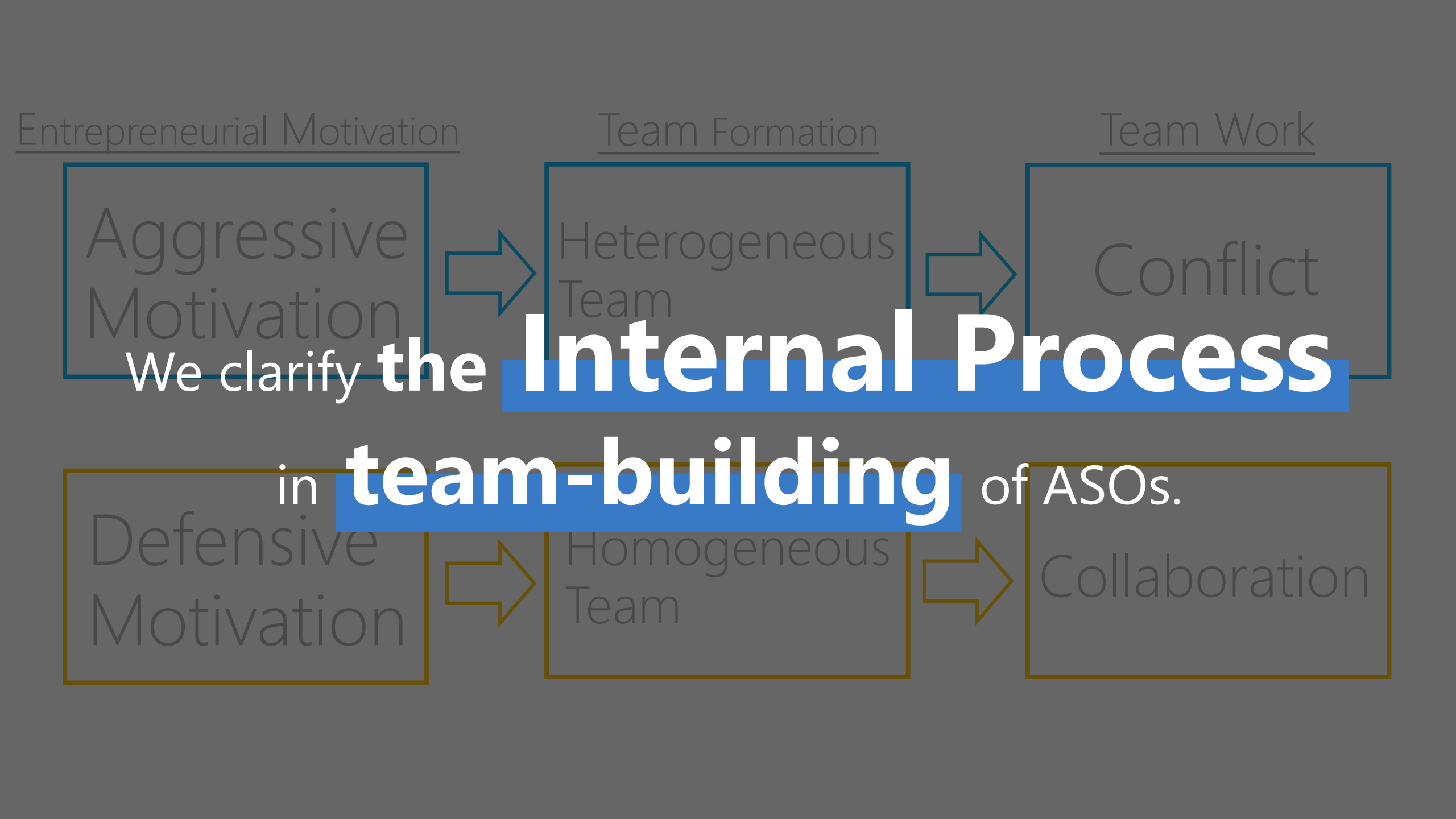
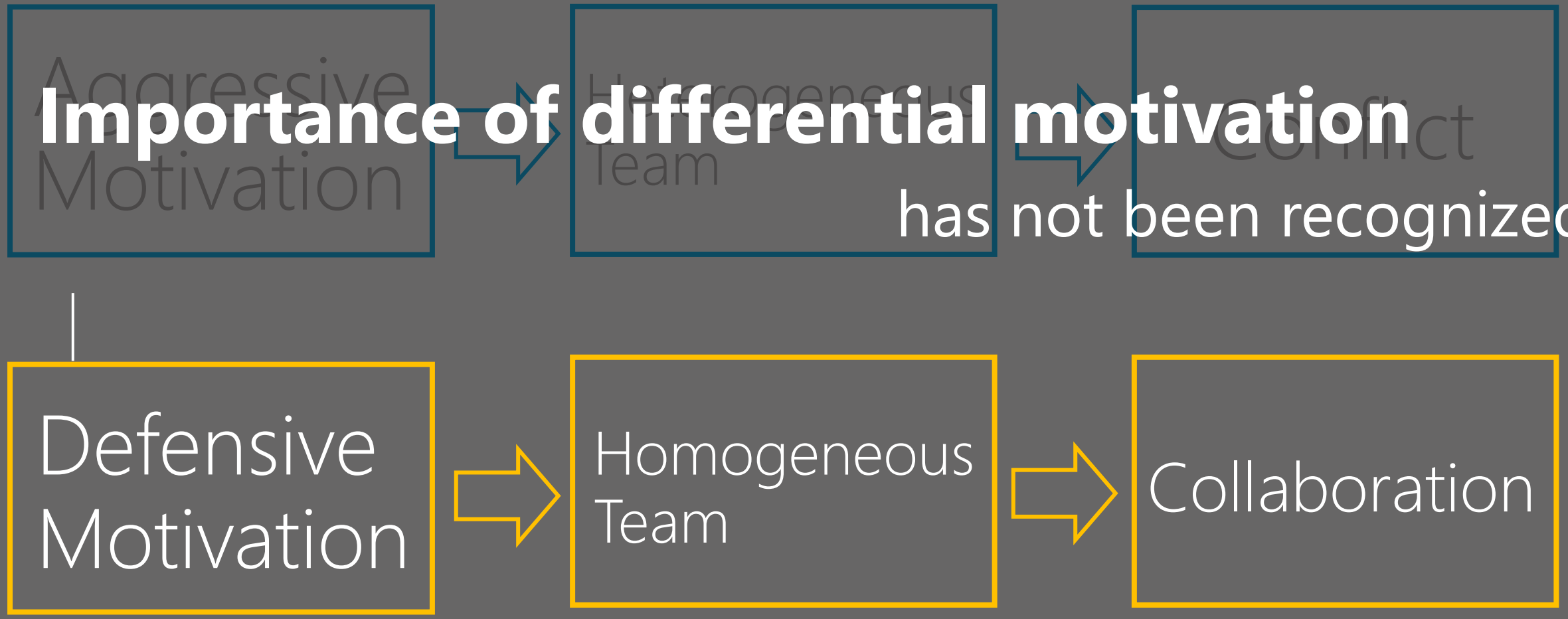
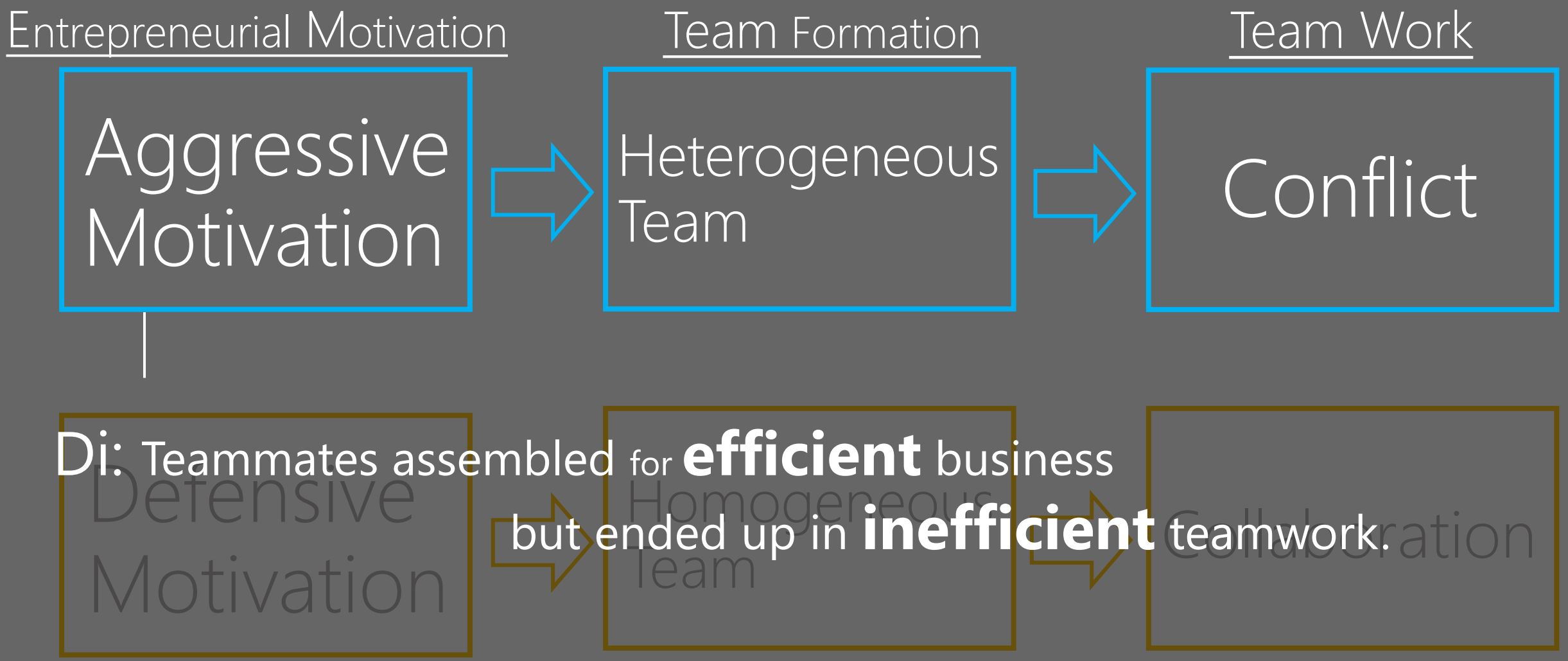


We clarify **the Internal Process** in **team-building** of ASOs.

Importance of differential motivation has not been recognized.





Di: Teammates assembled for **efficient** business but ended up in **inefficient** teamwork.

Thank You!