The Neuroscience of Trust

Unlocking Trust in Agri-Edu Partnerships

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Workshop

Intro: The Neuroscience of Trust (Break out 1)

Trust-Building Activity (Break out 2)

Actionable Strategies



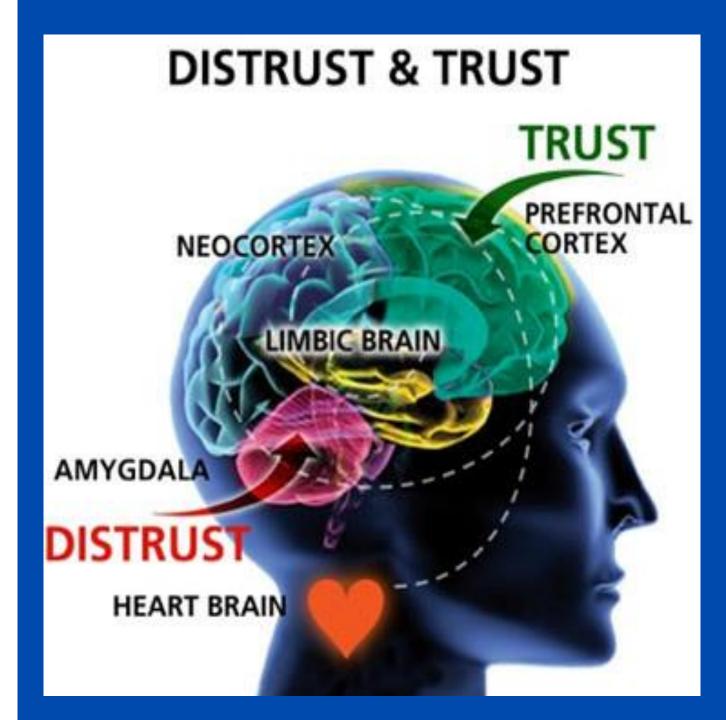
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The importance of understanding the neuroscience of trust

The role of the brain on trust and distrust relationships

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Understanding Trust
Through Biology





Prefontal Cortex is the home of Trust



Prefrontal cortex It takes 7 seconds to trust;

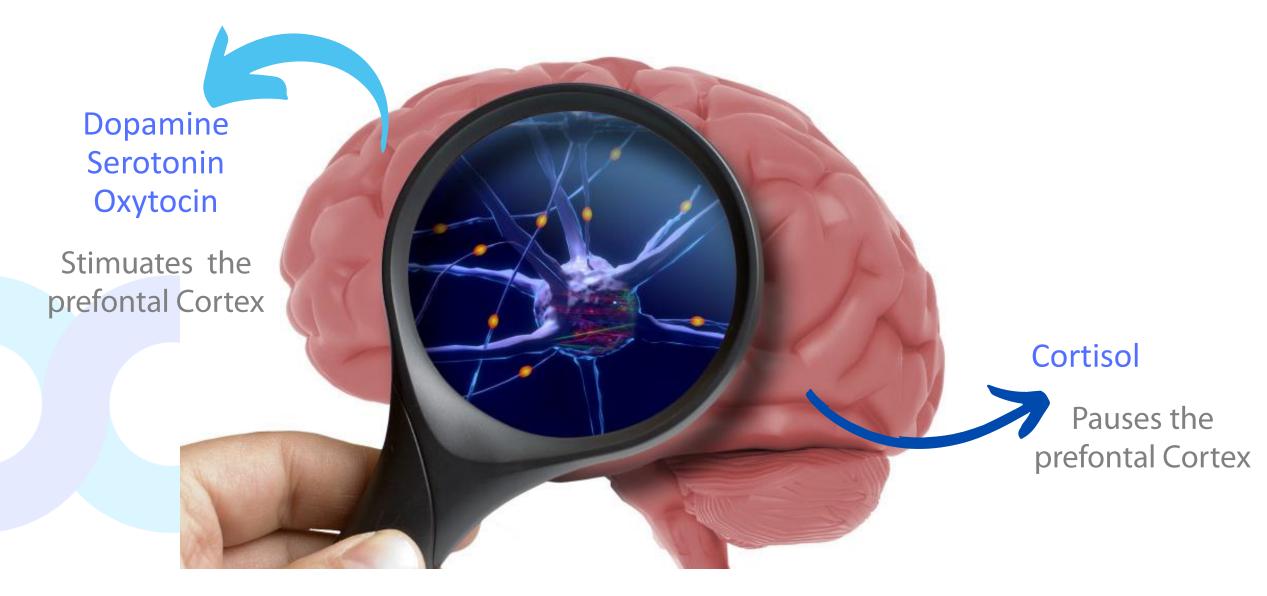


Our Amygdala responds in as little as 0.07 seconds





Neurotransmitters



Case Study: KCSEED

Trust Building for Farmers – Traders Collaboration



Introduction

Overview of KCSEED:

- A community-based organization in Nakuru, Kenya.
- Mission: To empower and uplift the livelihoods of its 3,000 farmer members through farming



Challenges in Potato Production

2016: KCSEED aimed to diversify into the potato market.

Challenge: Gaining access to a market dominated by traders (brokers)



The ABC approach

- ABC stands for Agri-Business Clusters.
- ABC promotes collaboration and structure in agri-business clusters and partnerships.
- Trust Building: Central focus on building trust and fostering cooperation.





<u>Vulnerability</u>: Self-disclosure entails sharing personal vulnerabilities and experiences. This vulnerability signals trust, fostering intimacy and connection.





Transparency

Self-disclosure promotes transparency and authenticity in interactions.

Openness about thoughts and emotions reduces suspicion and enhances the perception of authenticity.

		DESTINED MARKET	
	Itemised cost	SIRARE (100kg bag)	Mombasa (150kg bag)
1	Cost of potatoes (paid to farmer)	900	1300
	Other additional expenses catered for by the broker		
2	Cost of bag	30	30
3	Cost of Sisal Thread	20	60
4	Labour	50	150
5	Loading	30	40
6	Cess	15	20
7	Broker fee	100	100
8	Transport to Trader	300	450
9	Weigh-bridge charges	70	45
10	off loading	0	30
11	Broker fee at market		100
	Total cost per bag (KSh)	1615	2325





Lessons Learned Trust is a bridge that forms when individuals engage in self-disclosure, fostering vulnerability, reciprocity, and authenticity.

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