

NLP LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

shared thoughts and resources

What we are about . . .

In 2012, Michael Hall and Frank Pucelik started the NLP Leadership Summit for seasoned NLP Trainers and Leaders to get together and talk. It was a response to the legitimate criticism that “the leaders in NLP don’t talk to each other.”

Recognizing that the future is in our hands, we began talking about our dreams for the future. We decided to continue “associating” with each other as a group, and to avoid the conflicts of the past between leaders in the field. This also enabled us to look at where our field has been and where it is going.

Included in the Leadership Summit are a number of NLP Associations and accrediting bodies, and this is the first forum where all these people have agreed to meet and talk.

We consider this to be a huge breakthrough and are now seeing benefits, both personal and professional, from working together and fostering cooperation. From the original 20ish members, the Leadership Summit has grown to over 150 NLP leaders from around the world. Each member has agreed to our [purpose statement](#), [what we stand for](#), and [our values](#). The responsibility for professional standards remains with each of the NLP Associations and accrediting bodies.

Since the mission of the Leadership Summit is to bring together a wide range of leaders in the field of NLP to talk things over, it goes without saying that the members may have differing opinions. Each member has equal rights. There are no constitutional leaders within the Leadership Summit. All work is done on a voluntary basis.

The Leadership Summit does not have a regulatory or ‘policing’ function. However, we do want to hold each other accountable to uphold the values to which we agreed. As a community, we address complaints by talking with each other, uncovering each other’s positive intentions and focusing on our common values to find solutions that work.

As we continue to associate, new possibilities for positive contributions to the field of NLP are opening up. The Leadership Summit supports members contributing to research and developing practical NLP strategies that people can really use. We share insights and resources, especially in our bi-annual meetings.

These meetings have created great new friendships, rekindled some older ones and everyone who has participated has been touched by the magic of people with common interests coming together.

