

Society's Breakthrough Revisited

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Society's Breakthrough! Releasing Essential Wisdom and Virtue in All the People (SB-1) was published in 2002. Now in 2016 we know the process works better than imagined and is more accessible. The next book (SB-2) will describe some of what we've learned.

| | SB-1* ... <u>Society's Breakthrough! Releasing Essential Wisdom and Virtue in All the People</u> (2002) | SB-2**... Holution ... Preview of what we've learned since 2002 (as of 2016) |
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| What is Society's Breakthrough? | SB-1 is an <u>Amendment to the U.S. Constitution</u> , which applies the Wisdom Council process to U.S. Society | SB-2 is the Wisdom Council process applied globally (and/or nationally). A small group can initiate this. |
| What is the impact? | SB-1 promises to transform the political system in the U.S. by facilitating all of us to come together as "We the People." It assures solutions to many of society's most pressing issues. And it models the process for others. | SB-2 promises to spark transformation of the entire System (politics, economics, etc.). It's how to solve society's most pressing issues: a) globally; b) nationally; c) regionally, etc. |
| Who can set this in motion? | Elected officials at the state and federal level must understand and vote for the adoption of this process. | We (you and I) plus a small group of conveners can apply the Wisdom Council process to the global system |
| Where is the magic? | The magic is in the founding story of the United States. The original "We the People" helps facilitate today's "We the People" into being | The magic is in "choice-creating," the heartfelt, creative, collaborative thinking process that can be reliably evoked through Dynamic Facilitation |
| What's required to release the magic? | We must follow 12 principles, including a U.S. Constitutional Amendment | We must facilitate a whole-society choice-creating conversation |
| Can we implement this in phases? | Not really. It boils down to either enacting the Amendment or not | Yes. The Wisdom Council process can be established at different levels |
| Who determines the issue? | The Wisdom Council chooses the issue it will address. | The organizers, government or a citizen initiative can set the issue |
| What's the main blocking factor? | Vast numbers of people must understand the process and its benefits before an Amendment can be enacted | We need a core group of people who understand choice-creating, money, a global network & media support |
| What does kind of System transformation? | The book describes the System transformation as a shift from Box to Circle, from a republic to a true democracy and a "Wise Democracy" | The System transformation is now seen to be a new -ism, "ToBe-ism," which transcends democracy, capitalism, socialism, etc. |
| Is the Amendment still important? | Yes ... The Parliament of Vorarlberg Austria has enacted a version of the amendment, which is even better! | Yes ... Ultimately as "We the People" come into being, "We" must provide a structure for continuing to exist |

*SB-1: *Society's Breakthrough! Releasing Essential Wisdom and Virtue in All the People* (2002)

**Holution!" This book is in development. (tentative ... 2018) See www.WiseDemocracy.org