



Lausanne Movement
Church Planting



Church Planting Issue Network

2025

Growth Reflection

Based on the Lausanne Issue Network Health Framework



Why Health Matters

The health of a network determines its ability to bear fruit that lasts.

The Issue Network Health Assessment exists to help catalysts and your teams reflect prayerfully on the state of your network and discern what the Spirit may be inviting you to nurture next.

This process is not evaluative but formative – an opportunity to pause, celebrate, and re-root in God’s calling.

As the Church Planting Issue Network participates in this growth reflection, the focus is on deepening vitality, strengthening connections, and extending impact.

Health, in this context, is not static but dynamic: a continuous process of tending the soil, pruning where needed, and rejoicing in new growth.



Understanding the Report

Each assessment question was rated on a 1–5 scale, producing average scores for each area of health. These scores correspond to stages of health that are relevant to Church Planting’s size and growth stage, and are:



(Your top 3 scores)

Flourishing and healthy



(Your middle 6 scores)

Active growth, but with room for strengthening



(Your bottom 3 scores)

Fragile or underdeveloped, requiring renewed focus



Assessment Summary

Overall Network Health Status



THRIVING

The Church Planting Network demonstrates thriving health, marked by spiritual clarity, strong leadership, and unity around a shared mission. Its clear purpose and collaboration drive steady progress, though sustaining long-term growth will require strengthened resourcing, mentoring structures, and systems for enduring stability.

Purpose & Alignment

People & Relationships

Resilience & Sustainability

Collaborative Action & Engagement

Integration & Impact

Shared Learning & Content

These numbers reflect the combined scores of the 2 areas of assessment under each dimension of health.





Purpose & Alignment

Spiritual vitality and strategic clarity rooted in God's purposes





Spiritual Vitality

How rooted the network is in prayer, biblical truth, and dependence on the Holy Spirit as the foundation for all vision and collaboration.

STATUS



Living

Average Score

4.46

Range

3.8–5.0

Variance

Low–Moderate

Reflection

Your network displays spiritual maturity and dependence on the Holy Spirit's guidance and power. Leaders discern God's direction faithfully; however, more regular shared prayer and Scripture reflection would strengthen communal connection, discernment, and continued alignment with God's purposes.

Encouragement

You are cultivating healthy roots. Continue nurturing shared rhythms of spiritual disciplines so that your unity, discernment, and purpose remain anchored in God's empowering presence.



When prayer and dependence on the Spirit anchor your work, every strategy becomes an act of worship and obedience.





Vision & Objectives

The degree to which the network operates with clearly defined, Spirit-aligned purpose and measurable, obtainable objectives that directly contribute to Lausanne's fourfold vision.

STATUS



Thriving

Average Score

4.92

Range

4.8–5.0

Variance

Low

Reflection

Church Planting's vision is clear, biblically grounded, and unites members around shared conviction. Objectives are well aligned with Lausanne's mission, though measurable goals and structured follow-through would strengthen accountability and ensure the vision continues translating into tangible, Spirit-led action.

Encouragement

Your shared vision is a strong anchor. Building clearer goals and follow-through will help this unity mature into even greater impact and lasting fruit.



Clarity of purpose gives direction; when your vision is Spirit-led and shared, the network grows with unity and confidence.



Additional Reflections



Spiritual Atmosphere

Described by words like **committed**, **purposeful**, **collaboration**, revealing a network marked by shared devotion, unity of purpose, and reliance on God's guiding presence.



Vision Metaphors

Common imagery included a map and a bridge. 🌍🌉 This suggests purposeful movement and connection, fostering unity across diverse contexts.





People & Relationships

Christlike leadership and inclusive, polycentric community with shared values





Leadership & Governance

The effectiveness, integrity, and structure of the network's leadership – how leaders model Christlikeness, provide direction, share decision-making, and uphold good governance.

STATUS



Thriving

Average Score

5.00

Range

5.0-5.0

Variance

None

Reflection

Leadership within the network demonstrates Christlike humility, integrity, and competence. Decision-making is transparent and inclusive, supported by clear, accountable governance. This collaborative and spiritually grounded leadership culture fosters trust, unity, and relational warmth, setting a strong foundation for sustainable, Spirit-led growth.

Encouragement

Continue modelling unity and transparency to continue nurturing trust, growth, and enduring fruitfulness across the network.



Servant-hearted leadership nurtures trust and credibility – where humility guides, integrity protects, and shared decision-making brings peace.





Diversity & Inclusivity

The breadth of the network's representation (across cultures, ethnicities, genders, denominational traditions, and generations) and how intentionally it includes and values all voices in unity.

STATUS



Living

Average Score

4.25

Range

3.3 - 5.0

Variance

Low-Moderate

Reflection

The network embodies a welcoming, honouring culture where diversity is celebrated as a kingdom strength. Relational unity is strong, though broader inclusion of younger leaders and professionals from varied sectors would further enrich collaboration and innovation.

Encouragement

Your community reflects genuine warmth and belonging. As you grow, intentionally elevating younger and diverse voices will deepen collaboration and strength.

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When every culture, generation, and voice is valued, the network reflects the fullness of Christ's body in mission.



Additional Reflections



Conflict Resolution

If a disagreement arose, all agreed that a **healthy discussion** would follow – indicating strong relational trust and a culture of open, respectful dialogue.



Network Diversity

Diversity in the network is mostly **theological**, although representation of **cultural/ethnic** as well as **professional background** diversity is also recognised. There is a need for greater **gender** and **generational** inclusivity.





Collaborative Action & Engagement

Trusting partnerships and clear
communication, upholding unity





Collaborative Engagement

The degree to which the network fosters participation, trusting partnerships marked by shared initiatives, mutual support, and unified pursuit of its mission.

STATUS



Thriving

Average Score

4.71

Range

4.5–5.0

Variance

Low

Reflection

Collaboration across the network is Spirit-led and relationally strong, marked by mutual trust. Members work together with genuine unity and purpose, though opportunities remain to amplify diverse voices in planning and ensure everyone contributes meaningfully to strategic direction.

Encouragement

Your partnerships reveal strong relational bonds. The next step is inclusion – widening participation in planning will strengthen shared ownership and unlock fresh innovation.



True collaboration is born from trust; when members serve one another, and shared mission flourishes beyond individual strength.





Communication

The effectiveness of communication within the network (between members and leadership) and to external stakeholders (to the broader Lausanne Movement, church, and public).

STATUS



Living

Average Score

4.33

Range

3.8–5.0

Variance

Low–Moderate

Reflection

Communication within the network is broad and inclusive, with engagement across regions and languages. Channels and meetings foster consistent connection, though clearer feedback and more active two-way dialogue would strengthen participation and ensure every voice helps shape the network's direction.

Encouragement

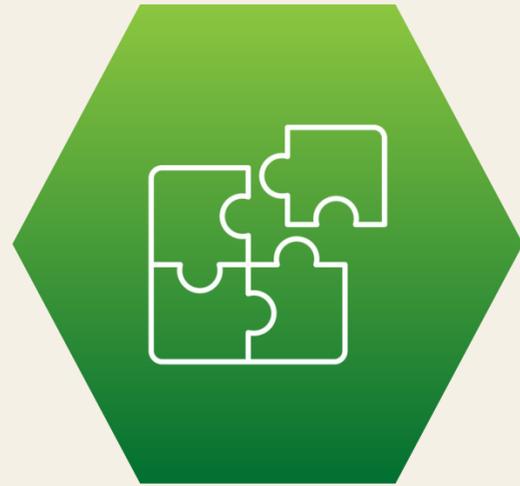
Your reach and accessibility are clear strengths. By cultivating open feedback and dialogue, communication can become an even greater tool for unity and effectiveness



Healthy networks speak with clarity and grace – amplifying vision, inviting participation, and ensuring every member is heard.



Additional Reflections



Collaborative Relationships

There is a strong sense of collaborative potential within the network. All could name 3 people they could collaborate with on a shared initiative.



Communication Channels

Information flows mainly through WhatsApp, with some use of email and Zoom – reflecting accessible communication, but potentially requiring central coordination.





Shared Learning & Content

Thoughtful theological reflection,
missional leadership, motivating and
equipping the outworking of the vision





Content & Training

Does the network equip others through quality, theologically grounded resources and training that meet real missional needs in diverse contexts?

STATUS



Living

Average Score

4.08

Range

3.3–4.8

Variance

Low–Moderate

Reflection

Your content reflects strong theological depth and cultural relevance, meeting real-world mission needs. Broader accessibility, diverse formats, and more consistent storytelling would expand impact, ensuring valuable insights reach and equip leaders across the full breadth of the network.

Encouragement

You are producing rich, contextually relevant resources. The next step is accessibility – ensuring every leader can easily find and engage with your materials.

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Networks that equip others through biblically grounded learning multiply wisdom and strengthen the church for global witness.





Thought Leadership

The extent of the network's contribution to biblically faithful, Spirit-led insight that shapes global mission thinking and guides others in their practice.

STATUS



Living

Average Score

3.97

Range

2.5–4.8

Variance

Moderate

Reflection

You enrich the global mission conversation with theological and strategic depth, supported by respected voices in wider forums. To deepen influence, strengthen collective discernment and amplify emerging leaders, ensuring fresh, Spirit-led insight continues to shape and extend the network's contribution to mission thought.

Encouragement

Your contributions to global mission dialogue are respected. The next step is inviting wider participation to amplify shared learning and insight.



Spirit-led thought leadership inspires the church to think deeply, act courageously, and pursue mission with prophetic clarity.



Additional Reflections



Most Shared Content

<https://www.collaborate2saturate.com/>



The Network's Voice

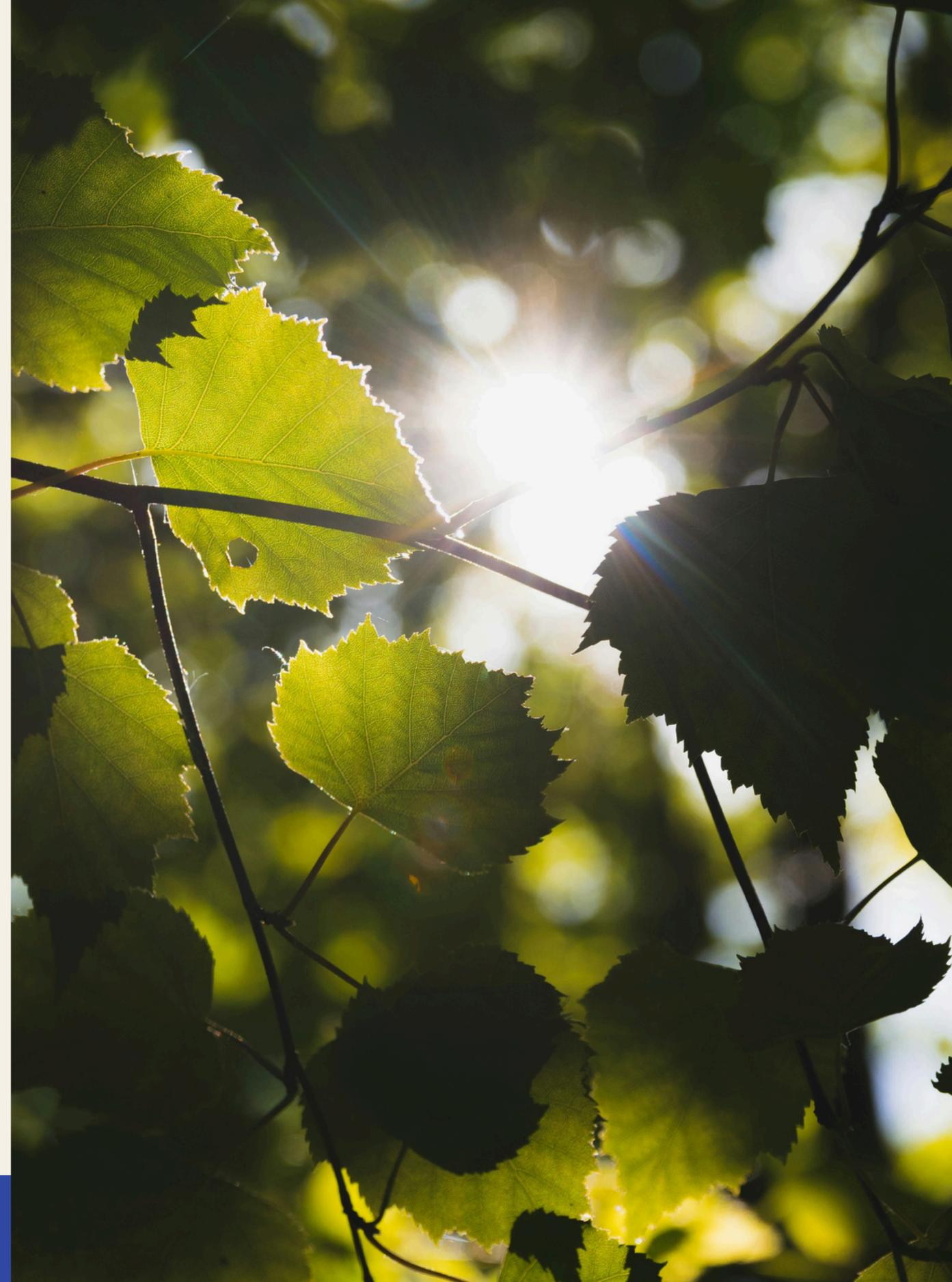
All judge Church Planting's voice as **emerging but growing.**





Integration & Impact

Shared initiatives marked by innovation and relevance, achieving tangible global impact





Missional Impact

The degree to which the network makes a meaningful spiritual and strategic difference in fulfilling its mission.

STATUS



Thirsty

Average Score

3.96

Range

2.7-5.0

Variance

Moderate

Reflection

The network's impact is visible and aligns with Lausanne's mission and signs of gospel transformation. However, consistent tracking, evaluation, and storytelling remain limited, suggesting the need for more intentional processes to capture and communicate both spiritual and strategic outcomes.

Encouragement

You are planting seeds of real impact. The next step is consistent evaluation and storytelling to visibly share the fruit of your ministry.



Healthy networks bear visible fruit – lives changed, communities renewed, and the gospel taking root where it was once absent.





Adaptability & Innovation

The ability to adjust and innovate in response to changing circumstances or challenges, maintaining effectiveness and mission faithfulness over time.

STATUS



Living

Average Score

4.67

Range

4.0–5.0

Variance

Low

Reflection

Church Planting shows adaptability rooted in Spirit-led creativity and responsiveness to global realities. Challenges are addressed constructively. Building stronger systems for testing and scaling innovative ideas will help sustain momentum and extend impact.

Encouragement

You are showing openness to adapt and learn. The next step is strengthening the structures that sustain creativity and innovation.



Spirit-led innovation keeps the network fresh – ready to respond with courage, creativity, and faith to changing mission needs.



Additional Reflections



Network Impact

The most prevalent impact is **missional awareness** and **new partnerships**, although there were mixed views on whether your network brings personal transformation, with the impact on **communities** seen as low.

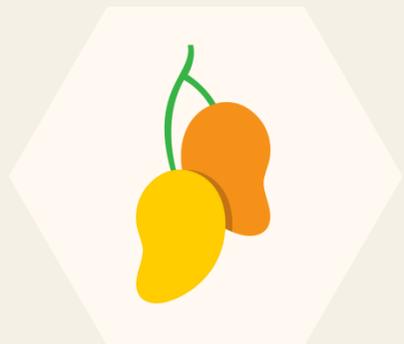


Innovation Culture

Most common responses:

- 🚲 Bicycle – Slow but steady, powered by a few
 - 🚗 SUV – Reliable and adaptable, but lacks speed
- Steady and dependable, yet driven by a small core and limited in pace and innovation.





Resilience & Sustainability

Resources and generational continuity, ensuring longevity and multiplication beyond the network





Resources

The ability of the network to steward finances, people, and knowledge with transparency and interdependence, ensuring sustainability for its calling.

STATUS



Thirsty

Average Score

3.63

Range

3.3–4.2

Variance

Low

Reflection

There is confidence in the integrity of stewarding resources, yet limited resources constrain growth. While emerging leaders receive some investment, the absence of structured support and sustainable funding highlights the need for intentional capacity-building to ensure long-term vitality.

Encouragement

Your stewardship reflects faith and integrity. Strengthening sustainable support and structured investment in emerging leaders will help secure lasting growth and resilience.



Stewardship done in unity – sharing time, gifts, and finances – builds interdependence that sustains mission beyond any one generation.





Multiplication

The extent to which the network cultivates leaders, initiatives, and contextual expressions that carry the vision forward with generational continuity and global reach.

STATUS



Thirsty

Average Score

3.71

Range

2.2–5.0

Variance

Moderate–High

Reflection

Church Planting demonstrates growth through new initiatives and emerging leaders rooted in a good discipleship culture. However, local replication and leadership transitions remain uneven. Greater regional ownership, mentoring, and coordination will help multiply Spirit-led influence with sustained depth and continuity.

Encouragement

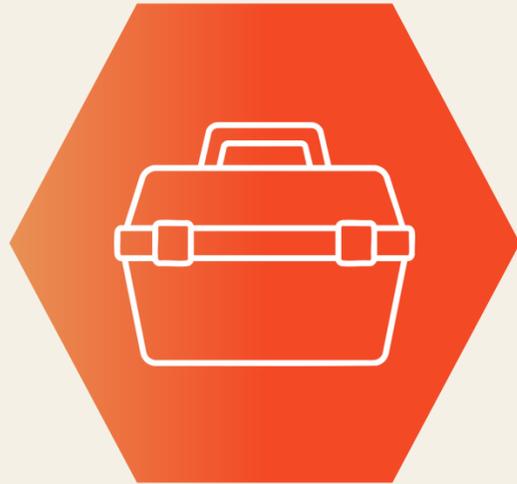
Your foundation for growth is strong. Your next step is to strengthen coordination and empower emerging leaders.



When leaders reproduce leaders and vision gives birth to new expressions, the network ensures lasting fruitfulness for God's glory.



Additional Reflections



Resources

Only 1 respondent feels confident that the network can be sustained over the next year. The greatest present needs are identified as:

Financial support

Volunteers or leaders



Multiplication and Growth

Most common responses:

💧 Trickling Stream – Small beginnings

🌊 Flowing river – consistent multiplication

Growth is viewed as slow and emerging, though some see signs of steady, consistent multiplication beginning to take shape.



Visual Dashboard Summary



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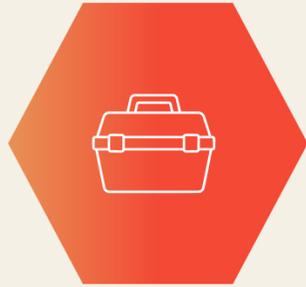
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Suggested Next Steps



Assess Resource Needs

Develop a rhythm for regularly identifying and addressing resource needs.

Create Resourcing Plan

Create a plan for resourcing that reflects faith, sustainability, and generosity.

Invest in Emerging Leaders

Prioritise investment in the growth and development of younger leaders.



Create Leadership Pathways

Create a clear pathway for emerging leaders to take on meaningful roles.

Develop Emerging Leaders

Identify younger leaders within your network and devise a plan to develop them.

Form New Initiatives

Form working groups to launch new initiatives or regional expressions.



Identify Impact Drivers

Identify areas where your work has made a tangible difference – and why.

Share Transformation Stories

Gather and share stories of gospel transformation resulting from your network's efforts.

Share Impact Stories

Invite network members to share impact testimonies during gatherings.



Voices of Reflection

Final recorded thoughts

Steady collaboration and growth

"We are moving forward, slowly, but surely."

Global partnerships are growing through national round tables pursuing gospel saturation, though continued growth depends on broader leadership, resources, and global reach

Spirit-led momentum

"The work is moving forward with great energy."

Guided by the Spirit, the network launched Collaborate2Saturate and its white paper, and diversified its leadership – gaining renewed energy.



In closing...

The Church Planting Issue Network reflects thriving purpose shaped by unity, faith, and clear missional vision. Your dedication to collaboration and gospel saturation is evident. May the Lord deepen your roots, sustain your fruitfulness, and multiply your impact for His glory.

*“...that they may be called oaks of righteousness,
a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendour.”*

- Isaiah 61:3b

