

THEORY OF CHANGE: EVOLVE



BARDO NEURO-INCLUSIVE MATURITY MODEL | SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION

1 THE PROBLEM

Negative bias persists even with EDI policies, training, and events, because it's our brain's biology - habits and threat responses drive daily decisions.

BARDO NIMM uses neuroscience to turn awareness into lasting behaviour change, embedding inclusion into your organisation's DNA.

2 INPUTS

30 + years of expertise in EDI, plus 4 years blending with psychology, neuroscience, and behavioural science.

Tools: coaching, workshops, online modules, playbooks, scripts, immersion events.

Neuro-Inclusive Maturity Model (NIMM):

- 1. Delta: Awareness & self-reflection
- 2. Alpha: Application & behavioural nudges
- 3. Gamma: Integration & culture embedding

Supported by an online community of practice with NIMM coaches.

3 ACTIVITIES

- Online core programme (NIMM): Guided pathway from Delta (awareness) → Alpha (application) → Gamma (embedding inclusion).
- Unique pathways: Evolve to Lead, Fixed to Flourish, Build to Belong.
- **Behavioural nudges:** Recruitment, promotion, and team processes redesigned to form new habits.
- **Neuroscience-informed workshops**: Explore how the brain's biology drives bias, threat perception, and inclusion.
- **Behavioural Patterns:** Understanding of the patterns our brains' biology creates and the archetypes these display, and how to manage them in ourselves and others.
- **Immersive events:** Escape room challenges, murder mysteries and dinner with strangers switch the brain's biology on to inclusion.
- Leadership coaching & modelling: Coaching and tools for leaders to demonstrate inclusive behaviour, shaping organisational norms.
- **Individual reflection tools:** Temperature checklists, microexercises, and playbooks.
- **Evaluation & feedback**: Pre/post metrics, culture surveys, and behavioural data.
- Community of Practice: Online group of peers who are working through the NIMM and other tools, supported by BARDO Coaches.

5 OUTCOMES

Short-term (0-6 months):

- Increased awareness of bias and exclusion drivers as biology
- Individuals use micro-behavioural nudges and are rewarded
- Early culture shifts and improved psychological safety

Medium-term (6-18 months):

- Behavioural change across teams: more equitable recruitment, promotion, and recognition starts to be experienced
- Organisation-wide adoption of inclusive routines and habits
- Measurable improvements in equity and engagement

Long-term (18+ months):

- Inclusion embedded in organisational DNA
- Diverse talent retention, innovation, and cognitive diversity flourish
- Sustained systemic change and high-performing, equitable workplaces

4 OUTPUTS

- Staff progress through Delta → Alpha →
 Gamma, building inclusive mindsets and
 practical skills.
- Leaders consistently model inclusion, reinforcing organisational norms.
- Organisations embed nudges and structural tools to reduce bias.
- Metrics and evaluation track progress in real time.

6 IMPACT

- Organisations fully **integrate** neuroscience and inclusion.
- Employees embed inclusive mindsets in daily habits, reinforced by nudges.
- Leaders and staff make fair, evidenceinformed decisions, creating organisational and societal impact.



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