

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 we know that this breakthrough works differently than first imagined. So it is more accessible than imagined. And even more beneficial!

The chart below describes developments since 2002. (SB-2)

	SB-1 ... <u>Society's Breakthrough! Releasing Essential Wisdom and Virtue in All the People</u> (2002)	SB-2... Some of what we've learned since 2002 (as of 2020)
What is Society's Breakthrough? ... (SB-1 vs. SB-2)	SB-1 is an <u>Amendment to the U.S. Constitution</u> which initiates the Wisdom Council Process (WCP). It evokes an empowered "We the People"	SB-2 is the the Wisdom Council Process (WCP) applied nationally and/or globally. Breakthrough since 2002: ... We can just do it!
What is the impact?	New solutions to many impossible-seeming issues (e.g. partisan gridlock, money in politics, etc.), plus a new spirit of national community, and a system transformation to "Wise Democracy"	SB-2 promises to evoke an even larger range of benefits ... including a transformation in governance, economics, culture, justice, education, etc.
Who can set this in motion?	Many people must first understand to create a social movement. Then we must influence elected officials to enact an Amendment to the Constitution	Just a small number of "conveners"—with adequate resources— can set the process in motion nationally ... and globally
Where is the magic?	It is in the founding story of the United States—how "We the People" of 1789 set up the Constitution ... and how "We" today can use that vehicle.	It is in our ability to convene "one ongoing whole-system conversation in the spirit of "choice-creating".
What's required to release the magic?	There are 12 principles. Key among them is the "Citizens Amendment to the U.S. Constitution"	Key is in the capability of Dynamic Facilitation to reliably evoke choice-creating
Can we implement this in phases?	No. It comes down to either passing the Amendment or not	Yes. This process can be used to address particular issues locally, regionally, nationally or globally
Who determines the issue?	The Wisdom Council chooses the issue once it starts meeting	The issue will generally be predetermined by the organizers, government or the public
What is the promised transformation?	Our current system of governance is not really a "democracy". But SB-1 can facilitate "Wise Democracy," where "We the People" provide leadership to government and society	SB-2 can transform governance and economics because it can work directly at the global level, where "We" create a shared vision and work collaboratively to achieve it
Is the Amendment important?	Yes ... This is the vital bit. A legitimate "We the People" arises through the U.S. Constitution	Yes ... The Wisdom Council Process should be applied to each level of society, and adopted into the U.S. national Constitution.

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