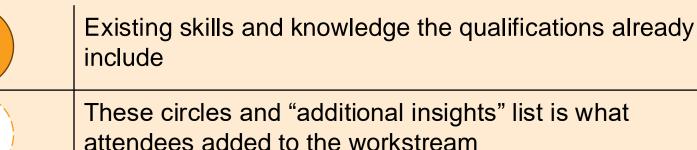
# **For Your Information**

- This is the summary findings gathered from the Ringa Hora led Business Qualifications review event in collaboration with The Power of 3 - Wellington Chamber of Commerce, Wellington Pasifika Business Network & Te Awe Māori Business Network on 01 August 2024.
- Each business qualification within Ringa Hora's remit has been grouped into their own workstream (disciplines).
- Each group of slides aims to initiate conversations about:
  - $_{\odot}$  What skills are relevant to: Accounting, HRM, Marketing and Sales, etc
  - $_{\odot}$  Looking to the future, what can help speed up momentum vs. what will slow it down
  - $_{\odot}$  Reflection: what can you do to speed up momentum and neutralise challenges
- KEY: Attendees were presented with high-level topics and skills that are embedded across the qualifications within each workstream







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From exercise 1, identify skills that might help or hinder us when building tomorrow's workforce. Using post its, place the identified skills in TAILWINDS or HEADWINDS based on how strongly they will impact the future workforce.

Qualification or micro-credential that supports accounting practitioner

TALLWINDS Things that fuel momentum

Starting budget management and financial literacy in schools

Accounting applications and software – building confidence in using diverse technology and inputting information

Connecting everyday examples to commercial examples

Changes to legislation and regulations keep accountants relevant

Stigma that the profession is boring

Implications of A.I in accounting

Startups or new entrepreneurs have limited accounting knowledge and skills they need for their business Things that slow momentum or pose an obstacle 5 Z 



#### **EXERCISE 3 – REFLECTIONS ACCOUNTING**

#### How might you:

# ... Leverage the tailwinds to go further, faster?

Example: Use AI as a virtual assistant to improve efficiency of routine administrative tasks/scheduling

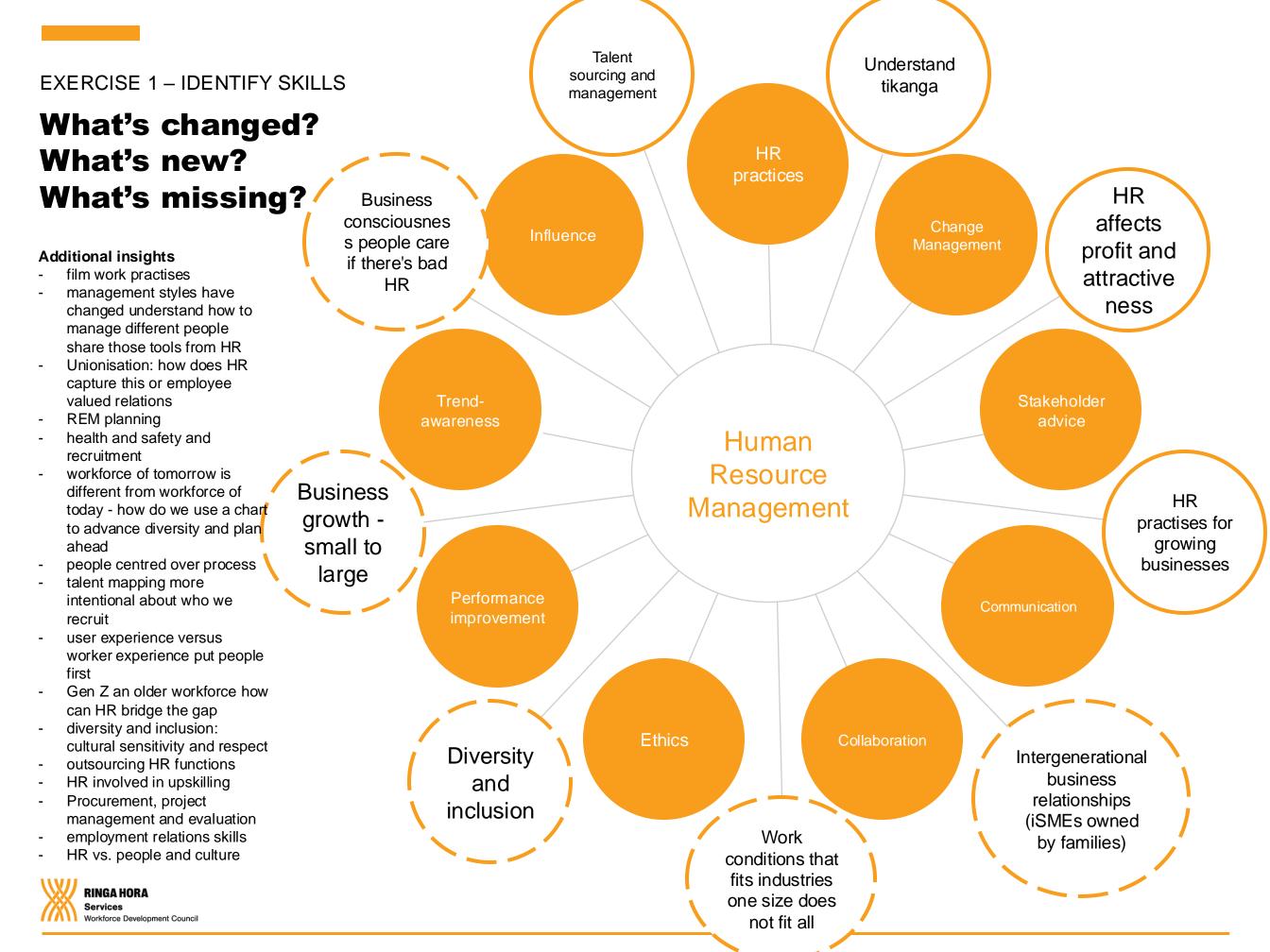
Pathways – how can these qualifications pathway into non-accounting professions or roles?

Keeping up to date with technology relevant within Accounting

# ... Neutralise the headwinds to maintain energy and momentum?

Example: Roll out HR initiatives that enables professional development of staff







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Digital natures vs. digital storytellers

Preparing learners by ensuring learning environments replicate real working environments to expose and build resilience

Enhancing an individual's soft skills

Mental health of workforce

Reliance on A.I and can't think for self

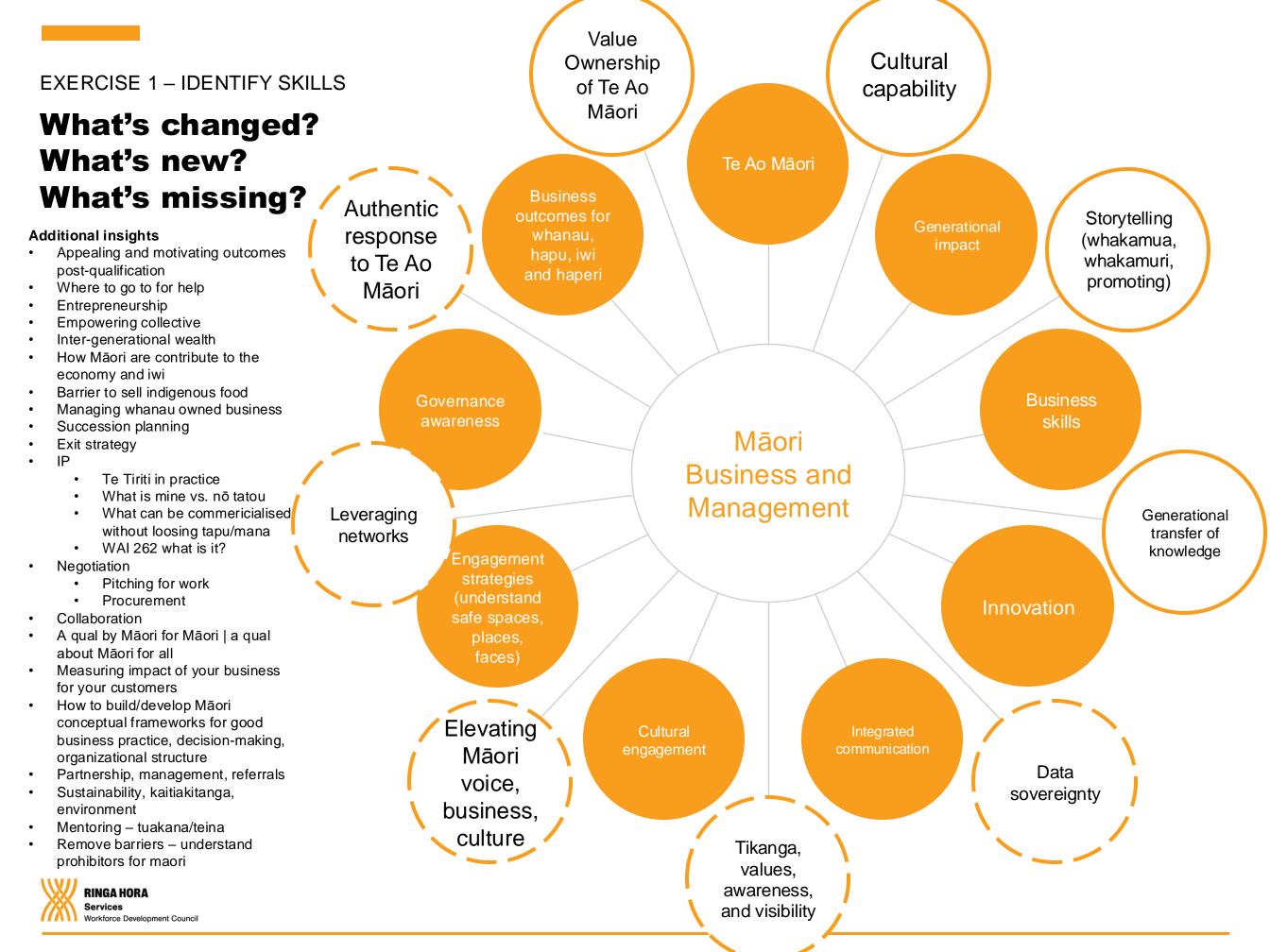
Technology relevance and access gap. Speed of technology can limit point of view

Low soft skills

Generational workforce / business owner's different approaches and mindsets

Quick sales vs long term sales









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Demand and supply

Being agile

Mentorship & reverse mentoring (being mentored)

Speed in technology and need to ensure capability keeps up to date

Increasing diversity of audiences

- Knowing your market
- Identifying opportunities for new markets

Networking

Appetite for risk

Market analysis & awareness



Family owned and employed – line between "family" & "boss/employee"

Tall poppy syndrome – imposter syndrome

Isolation

Risk – slow to respond, shift, and prepare for risk

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