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COMMISSION**

Getting the point across...without missing the point

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THE ROLE OF THE COMMISSION

Aim: to promote better preparedness for a major crisis or incident

50 Commissioners: prominent figures from public life, business, academia and civil society – first meeting in November 2020

Context: we are living in a world that is increasingly volatile and unstable

Key questions:

- What should we prepare for?
- How much preparedness is enough?
- How do we engage the ‘whole of society’?



Turbulent, Uncertain, Novel, Ambiguous



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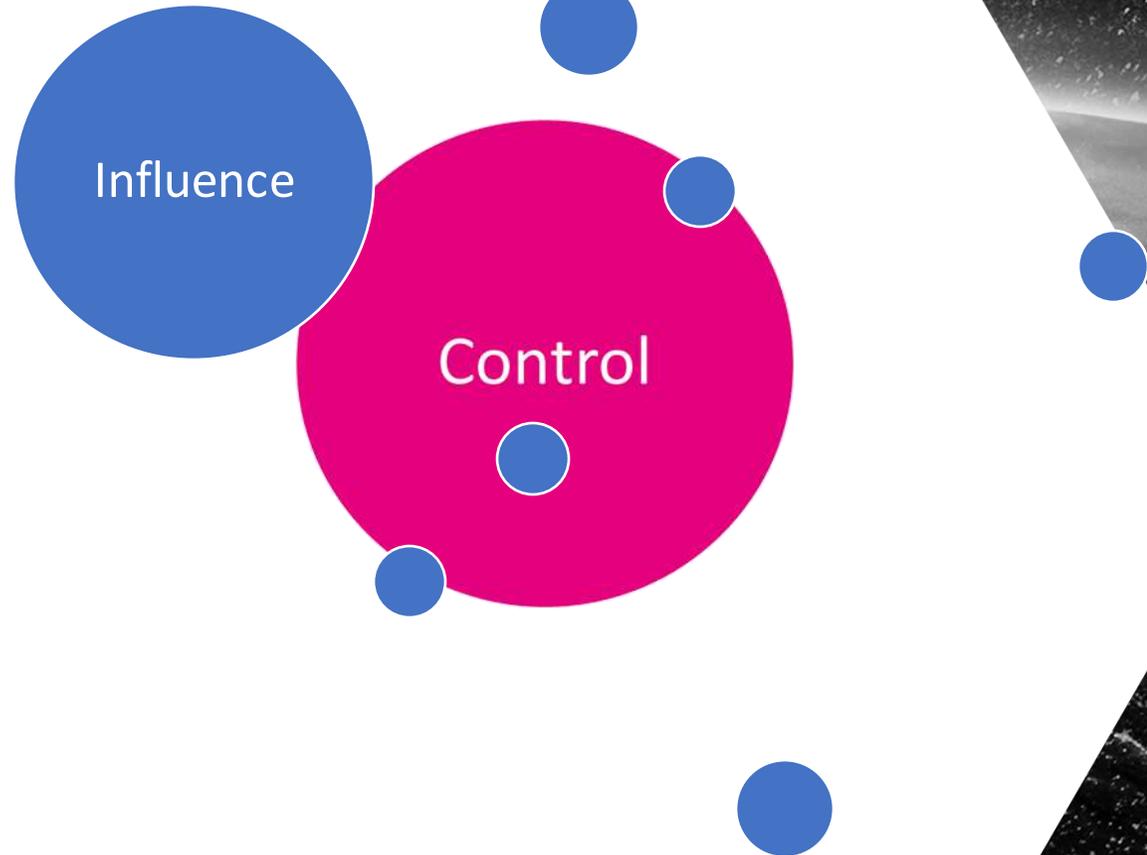
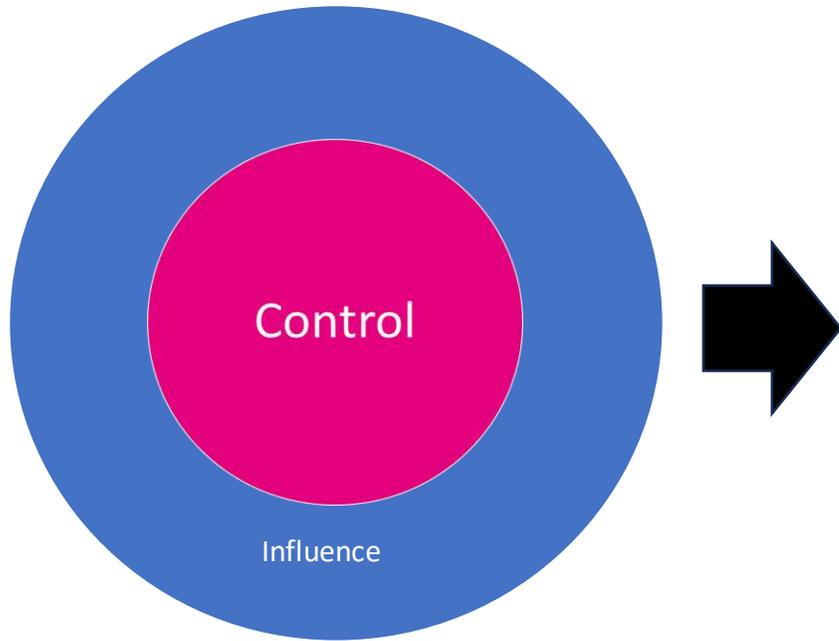


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