

# We all are Guests on Earth. Comparison of Confucian and Christian Entrepreneur's Stewardship for the Earth

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### 2.1 Eight Characteristics of an Entrepreneur

- Innovator: An entrepreneur develops or attracts new ideas for products and services and provides the means to implement them in production, distribution and recycling.
- 2. Owner: an entrepreneur invests is or her capital of F others and invests his own is her own personality in the company. He or she is only her or majority shareholder of the enterprise.
- 3. <u>Decision-maker:</u> an entrepreneur is a leader who takes decisions. He prefers freedom of decision-making instead of executing decisions of others.
- Risk taker: an entrepreneur is willing to take risks in order to pursue the goals. A key element for success is the right balance between being too risky or too cautious.



### 2.1 Eight Characteristics of an Entrepreneur

- 5. <u>Permanent Runner:</u> an entrepreneur is optimistic in searching new solutions when challenges and obstacles arise it is a personality with endurance.
- 6. <u>The Adaptive:</u> an entrepreneur is adaptive when discovering new opportunities or challenges in the market. This needs courage, flexibility, knowledge and farsightedness.
- 7. <u>Networker:</u> an entrepreneur looks for opportunities of partnerships, networks, alliances, teams and communities to reach the goals. The opposite is a lonely fighter.
- 8. <u>Profit-maker:</u> an entrepreneur needs to make a profit to make the enterprise sustainable. Some seek maximum profit to become as wealthy as possible, others see profit more as an expression of success and power and look for optimum profit or they combine maximum profit with maximum philanthropy.

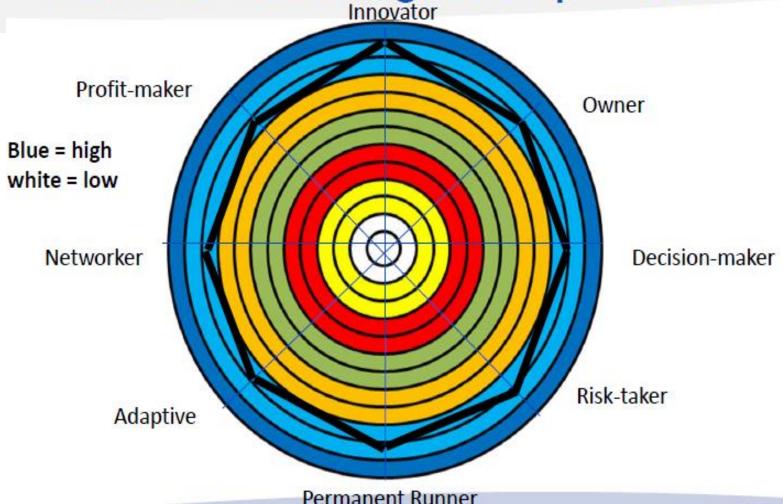


# 2.2 Confucian & Christian Entrepreneurial Characteristics Compared

Entrepreneur in General	Confucian Entrepreneur	Christian Entrepreneur
Innovator	Medium Heaven, nature, learning	high Kingdom of God, creator
Owner	Medium Responsibility	medium stewardship
Decision-maker	High Obedience to Community	high Obedience to God
Risk-Taker	Medium to low Depending on authorities	medium to high Forgiveness, innovation
Permanent Runner	high sustainable responsibility	High Sustainable responsibility
The Adaptive	Medium  In the frame of relations	Medium Global, openness
Networker	High Relations, nation	Medium Community, global
Profit-maker	Medium Optimization	High Ambitious, philanthropy



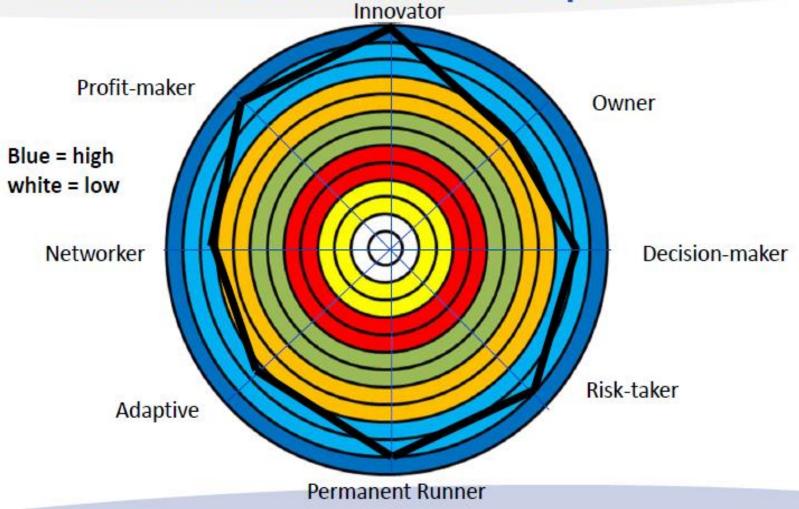
## Profile of an Average Entrepreneur



Permanent Runner

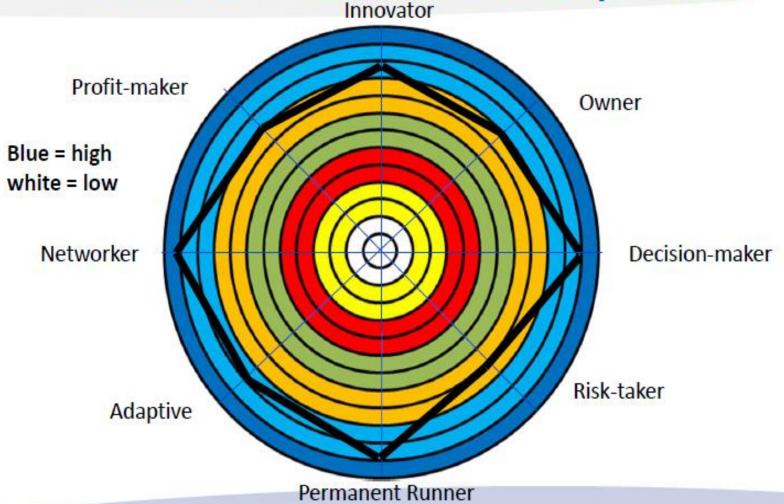


## Profile of a Christian Entrepreneur





# Profile of a Confucian Entrepreneur





### 3. To be Guest on Earth: Stewardship

#### The Christian entrepreneur as a guest on earth:

- Act as good steward
- Act as good manager ("oikonomos", Luke 12:42-48)

#### The Confucian entrepreneur as a guest on earth

- Act in obedience to the law of heaven which means also to the law of nature.
- Human beings and nature are inherently linked. Moral rationality which leads to environmental responsibility.
- Human superiority includes a higher responsibility to care for the weak which includes non-human beings.



# 4. Application for Climate Change: Principles for Responsible Stewardship

Climate Change is the largest challenge for humanity. Across cultures, political and economic systems, Confucian, Christian, Muslim, secular etc. values can lead to common principles and action.

- 1. Volume of (financial, technol., human) resources
- 2. The Polluters-Pay-Principle
- 3. The Capability-to-Contribute-Principle
- 4. The Responsibility and Capability Index RCI
- 5. The combination of positive and negative sanctions.
- 6. Caring for the weakest.

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