Checklist: Leading from inside out

This checklist can help you to hold a mirror up to yourself. There are no right or wrong answers in this context. This is above all an opportunity to check how honest you are with yourself.

	Perceptions
Am I predictable as a boss for my employees?	
Do my employees see me as a role model?	
Do I notice that my employees refer to my values in terms of their behaviour in difficult situations (e.g. customer complaints, differences of opinion, etc.)?	
Am I aware that staff and customers are constantly observing me?	
Have there been situations in which I have reacted boldly on behalf of my firm? Do my employees talk about this?	
Have there been situations of obvious despondency which stay in my memory?	
Do my employees have anecdotes about me?	
Is there much laughter within the firm?	
Do I have a "godfather" who points out "taboos" to me and gives me language tips?	
Am I able to discuss my management style with other entrepreneurs? Do they offer me advice?	
Do people in the firm speak politely about suppliers, customers and work colleagues even in my absence?	
Is there any differentiation in how people are addressed within the firm?	
Do I give responsibility to my employees?	
Do I consciously help my team to develop?	
Do I spontaneously and consciously offer praise?	
Do I reprimand clearly and directly without causing the person concerned to lose face?	
Are debates conducted with employees concerning actual challenges?	
Do I encourage the innovative capacity and will of my employees?	
Do I pay attention to my gut feeling (intuition)?	