

STRUCTURED DIALOGUE

Brief description of the Activity

Structured dialogue is a dialogue between young people and policy makers, where young people engage in a process of forming opinions, defining key challenges, and researching possible solutions. The aim of this activity is to encourage taking action, obtaining results and bringing positive change within a community and provide a safe space where young people can discuss possible changes with the decision makers.

Targeted Audience

Young people, age: between 15 and 30 years old; decision makers (depending on the topics discussed).

Practical Setting - Context of Activity


- Labour Market
- School Environment
- **Community Work**

Linked Stop of VALUE Roadmap (IO1)

- Self Management
- Think outside of the Box
- Can Do Mindset
- Enrichment
- **Making it Happen**
- Roadblocks
- Transition

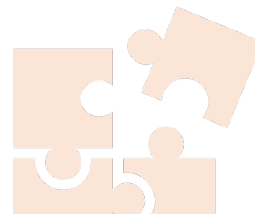
Type of Activity (IO2): Campaign pretending

Other Information


 **purpose:** Encourage young people to take action in their local community.


Extra advice for implementation:


- It would be better if the local decision makers sit among the young participants and not in front of them.
- Avoid overwhelming your audience with too much and too detailed information at the beginning.
- Structure your information and keep it short.
- Appreciate the feedback and learn from others.
- After a few months (approx. 3 months) have a follow up conversation with the policy makers to see if any ideas have been implemented.





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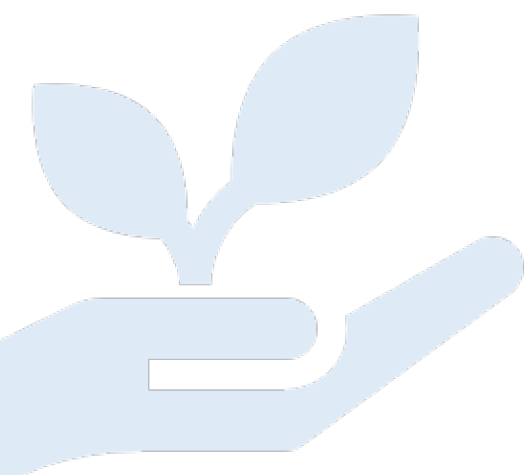
 **Time:** 3 hours (flexible and with a break, especially after preparatory steps of the activity and before the actual dialogue takes place)

 **group size:** flexible, maximum 5 groups of 3-7 participants (this is to ensure that each group has sufficient time to present their ideas and the participants don't lose focus); 3-6 decision makers.

 **required space:** A venue with enough space for people to divide into groups and discuss among themselves and then present their ideas to the decision makers

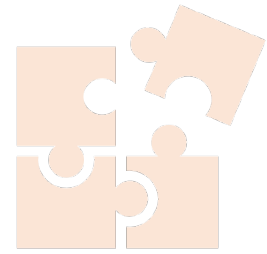
 **material:** pens, flipcharts or bigger sheets of paper, optionally computers with wifi access for research purposes

 **preparation:** Inviting policy makers and finding young participants to attend a meeting together; preparing the required materials.





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Chosen process for implementation:

A STRUCTURED DIALOGUE is a dialogue between young people and policy makers, where young participants engage in forming opinions and presenting them to decision makers. The aim is to encourage taking action, obtaining results and bringing positive change within a community.

STEPS FOR IMPLEMENTATION:

1. Invite policy makers and young participants to attend a meeting together.
2. Young participants pick the challenges or a certain topic to discuss.
3. Participants sort themselves into groups.
4. They discuss their experiences and ideas about the topic and write them down or create posters.
5. Young participants present their work to the decision makers.
6. Open discussion between policy makers and young people takes place, regarding possible solutions and implementation of the proposed ideas.

Message of the game:

The structured dialogue activity's aim is to encourage young people to start thinking about their future, about things that they want to change, things that they can change and different ways of approaching the changes they wish to see. The main purpose is to show young people that through active participation their voice can be heard.

