

Activities for workcamp participants

The Abacus of Evaluation

Length: 20 min

Main objective(s):

- evaluate all the project activities in a funny way
- actively involve all the volunteers
- allow to volunteers to express their level of satisfaction in an anonymous and non-verbal way
- create an image that exactly reflects the group evaluation of the activities.

Materials needed: a large coloured sheet of paper, a felt-tip marker, fingercolours with 4 different hues

Outline (step by step methodology):

1. Draw the structure of an abacus in a large coloured sheet of paper: an horizontal line where to write, one by one, all the activities carried out during the project; from each activity a vertical line start.
2. Write a legend with four colours, each of them corresponds to a different level of satisfaction (es. white = excellent; red = good; blue = average; black = below average).
3. The volunteers should have at their disposal some fingercolours for each level of satisfaction.
4. Stick the sheet on the wall and put near it the fingers colours tubes.
5. Each volunteer should create the balls of the abacus by leaving his finger print for each activity on the column corresponding to each activity implemented during the exchange.
6. At the end of the activity, you will have a complete abacus full of coloured spheres!

Resource: According by Davide Di Pasquale, <https://www.salto-youth.net/tools/toolbox/tool/the-abacus-of-evaluation.1441/>

