



Open Space

Ready for PESTO?

02 - 03 October 2014

Hotel Europa, Graz (Austria)

Duration:

1,5 hours (incl. coffee break)

Method:

Open Space is a method for structuring work and solutions to problems in a large group during conference. Between 50 and 2000 participants can take part in this group work. The method has been developed by an American consultant, Harrison Owen, in the mid-eighties.

During the first day of the conference a lot of questions will have been raised. The majority of these topics will be discussed during the Open Space. There will be three questions ready for discussion and solution finding at six discussion tables. For every topic there will be 15 minutes time to work on. After these 15 minutes you are free to change the table (and thus also the topic). The table moderators will announce the end of the sessions.

Along with the discussions, relevant points, ideas and solutions will be collected by the table moderators. In the end, the results will be collected and presented in the final plenary session.

Aims:

- Profound discussions about the main questions raised during the first day
- Exchange ideas and solutions with other conference participants
- Creation of a large pool of results

Outcome:

The ideas, solutions and remaining questions will be collected and presented at the final plenary session and will be included in the conference documentation.