



Thank you for downloading the *Environment & Fast fashion – L'impatto della moda low cost sull'ambiente* game.

Discussion games allows to talk in a simple, respectful and fact-based way about controversial issues. The game enables players to get familiar with a question, see it from different perspectives and **form or clarify their own opinion.**

The game also invites players to look at issues as a group: can you reach a positive consensus? The game culminates in a vote on a number of proposed policy positions.

A Discussion game session lasts approximately **90 minutes** in total. The ideal number of players is 4 to 6: form several parallel groups if there are more than 6 players.

This kit contains all the necessary elements for a group of up to 6 people. The group shares all the cards.

The game needs a **facilitator** who takes the time to get familiar with the flow and contents of the game before playing.

Enjoy!

For any question or information, email gbacaro@units.it.



Instructions

1 / Preparation. This pdf contains all the necessary elements for a group of up to 8 players. If you have more participants, divide them into parallel groups and print more copies.

The group shares all the cards. Provide paper, pens and pencils for all.

2 / Getting started. From start to finish, the game will take about 90 minutes to play. The facilitator talks the players through the flow of the game and its main stages. He or she points out the aims of the game.

Before the first phase starts, the facilitator reminds all players about the conversation guidelines (at the end of this pdf).

Anyone can pause the discussion in case they feel someone is not respecting the guidelines. When the issue is solved, the discussion resumes. On the bottom of the placement there is a space for notes and 'initial thoughts'.

3 / Game phase: Information. This part of the game takes approximately 30 minutes.

In this stage players get familiar with the issue, see it from different perspectives and form or clarify a firstpersonal opinion. At the end of this stage, each player chooses one or two cards

1. One player reads aloud the *At a glance* card.
2. One player reads aloud the *Story* card.
3. All players read a few *Information* cards. They each choose one or two they find significant and put it in front of them. Each player briefly summarizes their *Information* card to the group.

Players can use the white paper at any time to add information and issues if needed.

4 / Game phase: Discussion. This part of the game takes approximately another 25 minutes.

In this stage, players share their first opinion with others and refine their point of view as they hear different arguments and perspectives. Players use the cards gathered in the first stage to sustain their arguments.

There are different ways to discuss. Choose one that fits the character of the group.



- You may use the 'Free form': no restrictions, the discussion flows among the players. Everyone tries to respect the guidelines.
- A more structured way to discuss is to 'talk in rounds'.

If the discussion is difficult or it slows down, the facilitator may intervene to encourage discussion.

5 / Game phase: A shared group response. This last part will take approximately 20 minutes.

This stage invites players to look at issues as a group: what opinions are present in your group? Can you reach a positive consensus on a position?

1. Everybody reads the policy positions again.
2. Try to look for common ground. Is there a policy position you can all live with? If not, try as a group to formulate your own policy.
3. All players vote individually in turn on all policies.
4. Votes are recorded on the paper sheet to compare your group's results with that of other players.

6 / Share the results. This last part will take approximately 15 minutes.

In this stage, each group is invited to elect a spokesperson who will share with other players the key ideas emerged from the discussion and the votes recorded.

The facilitator compares differences and similarities both in the result and in the selection criteria. If present, the expert clarifies any doubts or questions.

Guidelines

- You have a right to a voice: speak your truth. But do not overdue it.
- Value your life learning. Respect other people. Allow them to finish before you speak.
- Delight in diversity. Welcome surprise or confusion as a sign that you've let in new thoughts or feelings.
- Look for common ground. "But" emphasises difference; "and" emphasises similarity.