

Session 5.2. Evaluation

Evaluation of the course will be done through the reconstruction of a 'time line' of the entire course. Reconstruction of a time line is a highly participatory evaluation technique, which allows course participants to be very open and specific in their criticism, as well as constructive in their suggestions for improvement.

The time line is reconstructed as follows: all course elements will be listed horizontally on a piece of paper. Then, you will be requested to write your comments, criticisms and suggestions for improvement for each of the individual course elements on cards: red cards for negative comments and criticisms, green cards for positive comments and appreciation. Cards will be pasted along the time line, above (positive) or below (negative) the specific course elements. Special cards in the shape of hearts, flowers and thunderstorms can be pasted wherever desired.

After placing the cards, you can read the comments and collectively reflect upon the strong and the weak points of the course. Together with the trainers, the group can come up with practical suggestions for improvement, and design the basic headlines of a future course.