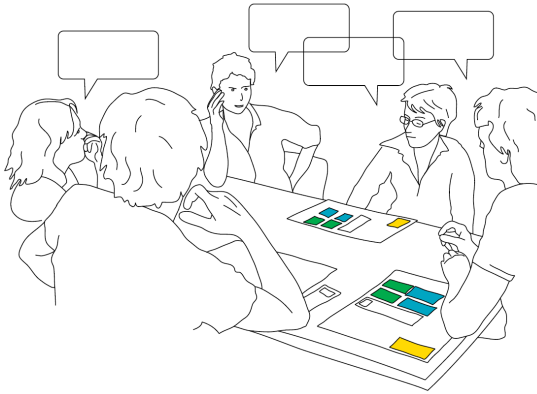


PlayDecide: the basics

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A 90 minute card game in three stages



With PlayDecide, get familiar with a question, see it from different perspectives and form or clarify your own opinion.

Look at issues as a group: can you reach a positive consensus?

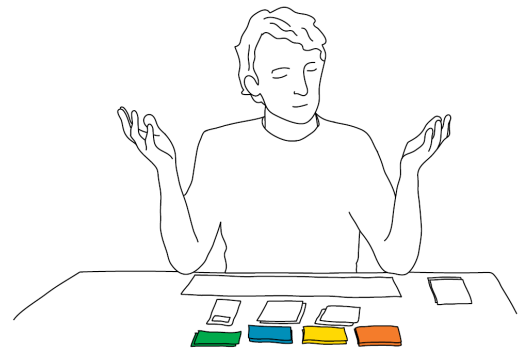
The game is divided into three stages and **culminates in a vote** on a number of proposed policy positions.

Online support for facilitators

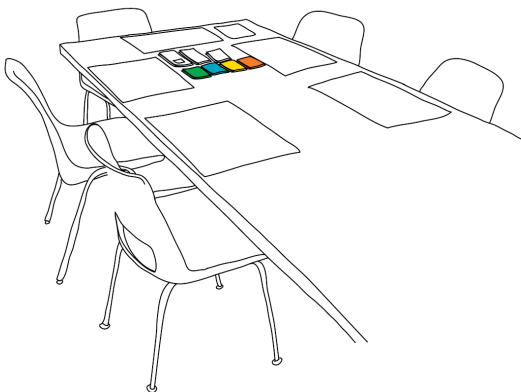
A PlayDecide session lasts approximately 90 minutes.

The ideal number of players is 4 to 8: form several parallel groups if there are more than 8 players.

You will need a facilitator who takes the time to **get familiar with the flow and contents of the game** before playing and prints out the necessary materials. This website will guide you step by step: www.playdecide.eu.



Preparation



Pick your game and **download** it in the language of your choice.

The downloaded pdf contains all the necessary elements for a group of up to 8 players, as well as detailed instructions.

You'll need A4 and A3 paper of different colours. **Print and cut** the cards.

Getting started

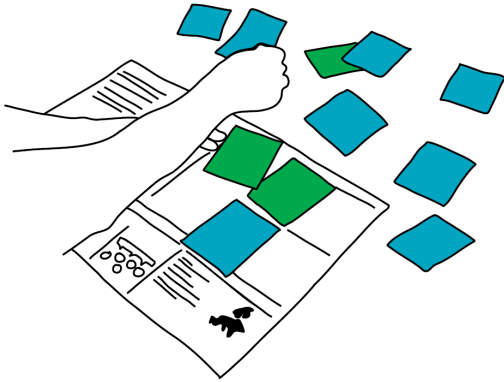
All players have a placemat in front of them.

There are **different types of cards that will gradually fill up the placemats**.

The facilitator talks the players through the aims of the game and its three main stages.



Game phase 1: Information



This part of the game takes approximately **30 minutes**.

Get familiar with the issue, see it from different perspectives, **gather evidence and form a first personal opinion**.

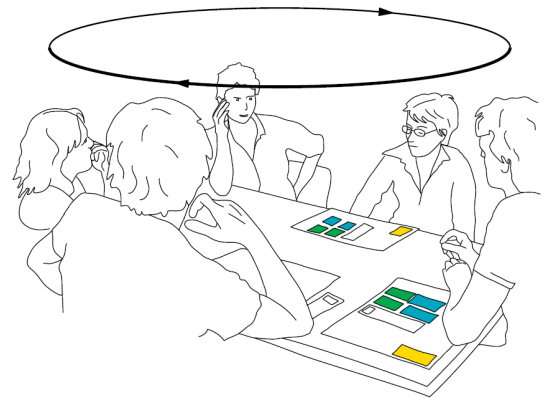
At the end of this stage, each player has one or two of every kind of card on her or his placemat.

Game phase 2: Discussion

This part of the game takes approximately another **30 minutes**.

Share your first opinion with others and **refine your point of view** as you hear different facts and perspectives. Use the cards gathered in the first stage to sustain your arguments.

Anyone can raise a yellow card to pause the discussion in case they feel someone is not respecting the guidelines.



Game phase 3: A shared group response



This last part will take approximately **20 minutes**.

Look at the issue as a group: what opinions are present in your group? Can you **reach a positive consensus** on one of the proposed positions?

All vote individually and record votes directly online: you'll get a nice visual summary and will be able to compare your group's results with that of other players around the world.

Ready to play?

350+ games are available in almost 30 languages. Topics range from vaccination to football refereeing.

