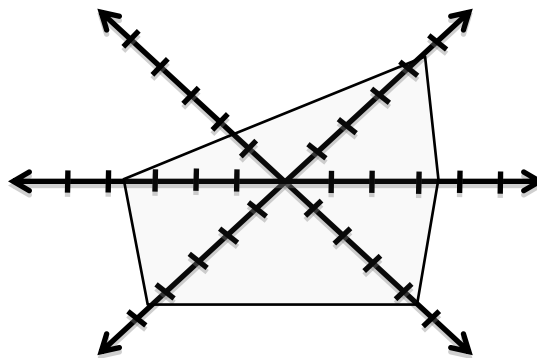
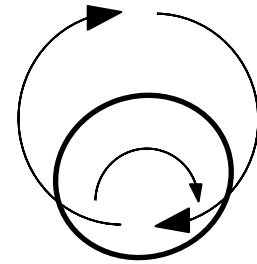
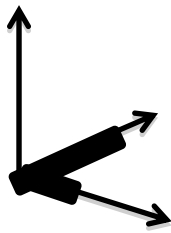


Veranstaltungsverfahren: Open Space



Info: The Open Spaces Technology allows a huge count of people to discuss a broad topic innovative and problem-oriented and to develop concrete projects.

Origin / intention: Open Space was developed in 1985 by Harrison Owen and is common worldwide. The mentality is, to make the important "coffee breaks" during meetings the essential part of the event.

Description: A focus-topic gives the OST its frame. In the plenum, everybody can present his ideas / topics and accompany others. This way, single working-groups evolve. After several working phases, the group's outcomes get sorted and written down.

There are five rules: 1) Whoever comes, is the right people - 2) Whenever it starts is the right time - 3) Wherever it happens is the right place - 4) Whatever happens is the only thing that could have - 5) Whatever happens is the only thing that could have-
There is one law: the "law of two feet": If at any time during our time together you find yourself in any situation where you are neither learning nor contributing, use your two feet, go someplace else

Characteristics: OST is one of the less structured procedures. It provides a big platform for self-realization and creativity, but it also can make people insecure.

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