

## Het Nieuwe Trivium - filosoferen in organisaties

# Little time – good conversation

Even when there is only a little time, we would still like to have a good conversation. That is possible if you use the following approach which helps you not to lose track of the structure and the time.

#### Time

Agree how much time is to be spent on the dialogue. In a small group half an hour could be enough.

#### **Topic**

Select the topic. Exchange some thoughts about its relevance. Describe the topic in a few words and write them down.

#### Questions

Formulate some questions about the topic that are worth being investigated.

#### Experiences

Collect personal experiences that relate to the topic – "When and how did you experience this topic in your own life or work?" for instance. Try to be as concrete as possible.

### Responses

Ask questions about the experiences. Maintain an atmosphere of joint investigation. Think with the other participants, not against them. Make room for new thoughts

#### The essence

Each participant states what he finds the essence of the topic to be. What really hits you here? Have them read aloud. Ask one of the participants to make a short report of the conversation, including these statements.

### Reflection

Take a few minutes to reflect. How did it go? What should you keep in mind for a next time? Make an appointment for a follow up.