Impromptu Networking

Build relationships by quickly sharing expectations and challenges

Impromptu Networking is a speed networking activity where participants pair up to discuss their challenges, expectations and contributions. Organised in three rounds of 4 to 5 minutes, with 2 minutes per person, it encourages encounters between strangers or colleagues from different departments. It takes place in an open space that allows for fluid movement, ensuring active and balanced participation for all.

Number of participants: 6 - 16

Estimated duration: 20 mins

Duration	Step name	Notes	Mode and Rights	Content	Tools
5 mins	Activity presentation	**Notes** - Explain the objective and procedure of the activity. - Start the timer. **Instructions** Answer in your personal notes for 1 minute: What important challenge are you bringing to this meeting? What do you hope to receive and how do you think you can contribute to this group?			00 h 01 m 00 s
12 mins	Sharing	**Notes** - Organise the participants into pairs. - For rounds 1 and 2: - Start the timer. - After 2 minutes, send the first announcement. - Once the timer has expired, send the second announcement. - Repeat the first two actions for round 3. **Instructions** - Take turns sharing your challenge and expectations with your partner for 2 minutes. - After 4 minutes, turn to meet someone else and repeat the exercise.		Instructions - Impromptu Networking - Sharing	00 h 04 m 00 s The second person shares their challenge and expectations. The person on the white pouffe turns clockwise to meet someone else. The person on the red pouffe stays at their table.

3 mins	Closure	**Notes** Send the announcement. **Instructions** Share the challenges and expectations that emerged from your discussions.		 Come back to the main table.

Legend:

Facilitation mode:

 Independent tables

 Synchronised tables

Participant rights:

 Table library access + Content interactions + Speech

 Content interactions + Speech

 Speech only

 Raise hand