Creativity applied to problem solving

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## OBJECTIVES

At the end of the program students will be able to:

- Identify characteristics of creative personality and assess the individual level of creativity.
- Get familiar with the main creative skills.
- Lear and apply different creativity tools.
- Improve the ability to use the creative thinking approach to problem solving.

## DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

- 1. What is creativity?
- 2. Creative personality and creative skills
- 3. How creative are you? How to assess your creativity resources.
- 4. Supporting tools for creativity improvement.
- 5. Creativity tools applied in work environment.
- 6. Problem definition:
- Causes, present situation, consequences.
- Linear thing and systemic thinking
- 7. Decision making tools.
- 8. Search and analysis of relevant information.
- 9. Taking decisions in group:
- Dialogue mapping
- Visual metaphors
- Team dialogue tools
- Six thinking hats, (De Bono)
- How to get to consensus
- 10. Follow-up and control of decisions.

## LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

Teaching hours are distributed in accordance to the following activities:

- ¿ Exposition of different topics related to the program content.
- ¿ Exercises and team dynamics related to the content specially those reflecting operative
- problems together with interaction problems (such the helium stick exercise).

*i* In-group comments and evaluation of exercises, including presenter's suggestions and practical advices.

- ¿ Video clips for reflection and analysis of models.
- ¿ Visual metaphor for solving problems in groups.

# ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

% end-of-term-examination/test:	0
% of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals):	100

Continuous evaluation: 10 points according to student's participation in classroom activities and exercises and activities. Without final exam.

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