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It wasn't in the context of my work, but I attended a world café style event that I thought was well facilitated and encouraged and allowed participants to share personal experiences in a small group setting with opportunities to report back to the larger group.

Not ideal for decision making, but it laid important ground work in building trust, developing relationships and listening skills, and encouraging less vocal/more shy folks to participate.

Here's a link with resources for using this method: <http://www.theworldcafe.com/key-concepts-resources/world-cafe-method/>



*"As human beings, our greatness lies not so much in being able to remake the world as in being able to remake ourselves."*

~ Mahatma Gandhi

## World Cafe Method

Drawing on [seven integrated design principles](#), the World Café methodology is a simple, effective, and flexible format for hosting large group dialogue.

World Café can be modified to meet a wide variety of needs. Specifics of context, numbers, purpose, location, and other circumstances are factored into each event's unique invitation, design, and question choice, but the following five components comprise the basic model: