Group Facilitation – Self-Reflection Checklist (contributed by Margit Szesztay)

Below are a number of statements related to group facilitation.

- 1. Consider the extent to which they are true for you and tick one of the three options in each case.
- 2. Discuss your findings with a partner
- 3. In the light of your reflections, think of one or two areas where you'd like to develop in the future.
- 1 I believe in the learning value of group interaction. ____True for me ____Not true for me ____Not true for me
- 2 I use a rich variety of learning modes and formats in my teaching.
- ____True for me ____Not true for me ____Not true for me
- 3 I am not afraid of silence and give my students/trainees time to think and respond. _____True for me _____Somewhat true for me _____Not true for me
- 4 When faced with a challenging situation, I spend some time clarifying what the problem is instead of jumping to a solution.
- ____True for me ____Not true for me ____Not true for me
- 5 I am aware of the way my learners see me and the effect I have on them.
- ____True for me ____Not true for me ____Not true for me
- 6 I am usually light-hearted and able to bring my sense of humour into the classroom. ____True for me ____Somewhat true for me ____Not true for me
- 7 I am usually observant and able to 'read' the feelings behind student behavior. _____True for me _____Somewhat true for me _____Not true for me
- 8 I believe that observation is an important part of learning, and help my learners to become better observers.
- ____True for me ____Not true for me ____Not true for me
- I am open-minded and strive to be non-judgmental in my attitude towards student learning.
 True for me _____Not true for me _____Not true for me

10 I am sensitive to the changing energies in the group and have a number of strategies for influencing these energies so that they support group learning.

____True for me ____Not true for me ____Not true for me

12 I regularly ask for and listen to student feedback. _____True for me _____Not true for me

 13 In a whole-class discussion I'm usually able to remember what everyone says.

 _____True for me
 _____Not true for me

- 14 I'm good at summarising the main points of a discussion.
- ____True for me ____Not true for me ____Not true for me

 15 I am able to challenge student contributions in a sensitive way.

 _____True for me
 _____Somewhat true for me

 _____Not true for me

16 It is easy for me to be patient and encouraging with students. _____True for me _____Not true for me

Areas for future development: