**Role Play**

**Panel Discussion „Green Logistics“**

Sustainability is becoming increasingly important in all areas of life, including logistics and transport. Due to the currency of the topic, a conference on "Green Logistics" will be held with a panel discussion of experts. In addition to Green Logistics in general, the connection with inland waterways as an environmentally friendly transport alternative will also be discussed.

**Was ist Green Logistics?**

„Green Logistics is a form of logistics which is calculated to be environmentally and often socially friendly in addition to economically functional.“ Rituray Saroha (2014) (Online: <http://www.ripublication.com/iraer-spl/iraerv4n1spl_14.pdf>)

Two videos that explain Green Logistics in more detail can be found on YouTube at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E5ywje44-tg>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MX2N8uATfzs>

**Procedure**

Step 1: Divide into groups

Divide into groups of equal size. The group size should be 4-5 people depending on the total number of participants.

Step 2: Assignment of Roles

Possible roles:

1. Moderator
2. Expert road transport
3. Expert rail transport
4. Expert inland waterway transportExpert air transport

Now define which of the groups should have which role. Depending on the size of the group, roles can be doubled or you can think of new roles according to the topic and the task. However, there should only be one moderator, in exceptional cases with particularly large discussion groups two.

Each group prepares arguments and inputs for the discussion together according to the role assigned to them. Which group member represents the group in the discussion is decided randomly, i.e. by lots.

Step 3: Preparation (preparation time 45-60 minutes)

Prepare for discussion. Here are a few brief suggestions for the individual roles:

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| **Moderator** | **Expert** |
| Short introduction of the participants  As an introduction, briefly explain "Green Logistics”  Prepare short questions for the individual participants (in case discussion is stalled)  Ensure that all discussion participants are equally involved | Prepare key data for the presentation by the moderator  Introduce your mode of transport briefly. Look for interesting facts and data on the individual modes of transport in Europe and worldwide (focus on freight mobility)  What effects (both positive and negative) does Green Logistics have in your area?  How well does your mode of transport fit into the Green Logistics concept? |

Step 4: Panel Discussion

Now that you are well prepared, it is time for your discussion. As soon as it is decided who represents which group, you can start.

**Have Fun! ☺**