## No More Boring Meetings: Facilitating Participatory Meetings

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| Do's  | and Don'ts  |  |   |
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| DO encourage youth and quieter voices to be heard     | DO stay<br>neutral on the<br>issue being<br>discussed | DON'T<br>control the<br>content of the<br>discussion                                 | DON'T let<br>people<br>interrupt<br>each other        |
| DO propose<br>the best path<br>for the<br>discussion  | DO have one<br>person speak<br>at a time              | DON'T be wishy-washy ("do we want to do this, or this, or maybe we should do this?") | DON'T<br>interrupt<br>people (only<br>as last resort) |
| DO keep the<br>group on<br>task, follow<br>the agenda | DO raise the energy of the group                      | DON'T let<br>adults and<br>louder people<br>control the<br>meeting                   | DON'T let long tangents make the meeting boring!      |