

## **Round table dialogue**

Round table dialogue is a method developed to establish a co-operation between private companies, general practitioners and public levels to qualify the work with persons on sick leave. The purpose is to prevent that sickness leads to exclusion from the labour market.

The method is further developed in various projects, mainly projects that focus on "inclusion" to the labour market and preventing exclusion, typically with involvement of different organizations, institutions and private companies, as well as the principles are used in health promotion and preventive work.

The method is used in the situations where there are more participants with different functions and purposes, however with a common interest in solving the certain task.

The method bridges the traditional relations of power and attaches the importance to task related, democratic decision-making processes.

The method is very usable in the connections where you wish to promote bottom up processes, co-operation with NGO's, deeply rooted developing processes, and other matters where processes must be deeply rooted with a view to subsequent change/acting. The principles for and the composition of the regional panel are based on the ideas of the round table dialogue.

The round table dialogue represents both a concrete method, a model and an approach.