



case study:
nuclear

sand box

Client:

UK nuclear industry / UCLan (20 delegates)

Objective:

To identify ways in which Academic Institutions can support the Nuclear Industry in the future. To develop a shared understanding of current and future UK Nuclear Industry issues.

Process:

Sandbox was approached by the UK Nuclear Industries Business Development Manager and an external consultant to the UK Nuclear Industry — our reputation for creative workshop design with disparate groups had preceded us.

This was a workshop where LEGO Serious Play™ (LSP) demanded to be used and so we made it a central part of the process. The night before the event, delegates were asked to build models that represented the main challenge in their current role. First thing the morning after, we asked delegates to describe their model to the whole group. This was a great way to open the day, build understanding of others roles and break down barriers.

This then led us into an extended LSP session where we split the delegates into two groups and asked each to model the current UK Nuclear Industry. Groups then presented their models to each other. The Nuclear Industry of 2028 was then modelled, and this 'future stretch' opened the debate of what needs to change and what is likely to stay the same. The models were again shared.

The fresh information and awareness from the LSP process was taken directly into a Red session. All delegates provided anonymous input in response to questions. This focussed information along with a rich map of the crossover points between Academic Institutions and the Nuclear Industry, was created using the unique software.

After lunch, small discussion groups (in the world café style) developed the output further, and the event culminated in a number of distilled action points and ideas for future development.

Following the event, the Sandbox team created a secure webpage to display images and the full output from the event. Sandbox continues to work closely with the Nuclear Industry.