

# Switch

 **Step:** One - Get Connected!

 **Time:** 30 min

 **Space and materials:**

- A large room where all participants could sit in a circle;
- A set of objects.

 **Description of the tool**

1. Give participants a set of objects which includes a variety of stuff worn and used by them every day. It might include: different pieces of clothing; different footwear; jewellery and accessories; electronic devices or their parts; household items; etc.
2. Ask each participant to select an object out of the set. Then ask two participants to come together, switch their objects and try to guess why the other person selected that specific object.
3. After a few minutes of thinking, ask the two participants get together and present a hypothesis to each other before they announce the right answer.
4. After sharing in pairs, ask the participants to come back to the plenary and present the object of their peers to the whole group. Open up a discussion using the following questions:
  - Have you learnt anything new about yourself during the activity? What?
  - Does the object you have chosen say anything about your consumption habits? What?
  - Does the object you have chosen connect you with other countries and people living there? How?

 **Additional remarks**

The tool can be used for other themes, which could be further strengthened by the selection of objects you provide to the participants. For example, working on the theme of *Technology*, you can only offer technological objects to the group and focus the discussion on that.