

TEMPLATE



Charts for Testing Assumptions—In Breakout Groups and Plenary Session

Chart for Breakout Groups

Before the breakout: Copy the template for viewing on the breakout room wall, filling in the first column only with the commonly-held assumptions generated over the course of the study. **At the meeting:** Ask participants to rate whether each commonly-held assumption seems C (credible), U (uncertain) or V (vulnerable) according to the conditions of the given scenario. Where the group finds an assumption vulnerable, discuss and record in the last column what a better, more robust assumption could be.

Commonly-held Assumption	Scenario Name			Revised Robust Assumption	
	Credible	Uncertain	Vulnerable		

Chart for Plenary Session

Before the plenary: Use the template to summarize the breakout group findings on a wall to present back to the group. Copy the (original) list of commonly-held assumptions, and indicate for each assumption under each scenario, whether it was deemed to be: C (credible), U (uncertain) or V (vulnerable). Beside each V, in the same column, record also the robust assumption proposed by the breakout group. During the plenary: Reporters present their group's findings. Review the assumptions deemed vulnerable under more than one scenario and in the last column write a new revised robust assumption to address all scenarios, based on discussion with participants.

Commonly- held		Revised Robust			
Assumption					Assumptions
	Muddling	Incremental	Incremental	Transformation	
	Through	Decline	Progress		