Your event’s layout is important. Zones help by signaling what is going to happen/where.

Check that your setting includes:

**Orientation Zone**
- A place to transition from the outside world;
- A host who warmly welcomes guests, provides event details, signs them in and provides a nametag;
- Information for the event;
- Nametags;

**Exploration Zone**
- A place that encourages people to open their minds, think broadly and network;
- Tables, stools and display boards;
- A photo board of recent work or a question posed to open one’s mind.
Conversation Zone
- A place to connect with others;
- Refreshments including finger foods and beverages;
- A connector who invites people to refreshments and introduces people to others;
- High cocktail tables.

Participation Zone
- A place to “dig-in”, get hands on experience or participate in a workshop;
- A communal table, workshop benches with stools or seating area with movable chairs,
- A presentation wall.