

Mind Maps

Link to digital tool	Miro
Level of knowledge	Basic knowledge
Learning objectives	Know how to generate and develop ideas with different methodologies
Linked to module	2, 3
Description of the tool	A mind map is a diagram where we link everything that comes to our minds around a concept to help develop ideas. This tool can be helpful to shape an idea, whether you are working alone or with a team.

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Miro is a collaborative online whiteboard with several templates to shape ideas with others, create mind maps, make comments, and add links, pictures and many other materials.

With the free version of Miro, you can share up to 3 boards, but if you need to work with more boards and alongside others, it has different versions depending on the size of your team.

To create a board, you must sign up with your email account and choose from the different templates and start dragging contents to the board.

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	Inside Miro you can find several case studies and inspiration to develop your own mind map. Take a look at this example of a brainstorming mind map: https://miro.com/app/board/iXjVOOf1y2v4=/
How to use the tool as part of the course	<p>A good way to use a mind map, and specifically this virtual tool, is to place the focus or the goal in the middle of the board. This can be a picture that represents the result. For example, if our aim is to create a tour based on a mobile app, our central goal should be an image of somebody with a mobile phone walking.</p> <p>The next step is to create groups of elements with different topics, for example, similar projects, references, tools or materials, information about target groups, etc.</p>

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Create links between groups using lines and arrows and make comments around them. Add as many ideas as you can. With this tool we can brainstorm and visualize everything that is in our minds, and at the end you will be able to see the whole picture and discover tasks that need to be done, outcomes, and conclusions.

After the mind map is done, the next step is to summarize what you can see on the board, which can be done using a to-do list or a list of bullet points of what you found.

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