

# Ethnographic exercise

## Interview and Observation in Monikulttuurikeskus Gloria

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# Interview

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# Research Info

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- Interviewee

- Male
- From Holland
- Over 50 years old
- In Finland since 1985

- Interview process

- 19 minutes
- Agreed recording
- Semi-open questions building a life and identity in Finland
- Followed by probing / free-flow interaction
- Rapport, trust and comfortable participation



My Identity Finland by Huntermind

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# Perspectives on acceptance and achievements

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- Over 30 years in Finland
- Self-employment (kioski, restaurant)
- Self-trust gradually built
- Active member of society
- Integration?

# Perspectives on challenges

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- Lack of job stability
- Acculturation stress
- Self-effort against uninviting environment
- Language and social barriers
- Public sector involvement
- Integration?

# Observation

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- Same setting as interview facilitated blending
- Flowing number of people of diverse ages and genders
- Groupings depending on type of interactions
  - Language classes, meetings, get-togethers and workshops
- Varying use of language in friendly and comfortable environment
- Open area accesible to all, yet orderly, quiet and respectful
  - Multicultural engagements held under “house rules”
- Increased awareness of surroundings and face recognition

# Team conclusions

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- ❖ Great learning experience
- ❖ Notes discussion led to common field observations
- ❖ Revealing results in subsequent analyses
- ❖ Will definitely go back to Gloria 😊

# Kiitos!

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