

Deliberation

In [Tiki 10](#) (trunk at time of writing, 2012 August) a new feature has been integrated into forums called "Deliberation" in an early experimental state.

Note:

Keep in mind that basic deliberation can be achieved already in [Tiki12](#) in forums when you enable the more stable features Ratings per forum and Ratings in comments. See [Rating](#) for more information.

According to Wikipedia:

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Deliberation is a process of thoughtfully weighing options, usually prior to voting.

In other words, a deliberation (in Tiki) is basically a rating system where a single forum topic has multiple opinions, where each can be rated on a scale.

Why is this different than a rating or a vote?

Rating:

- Gives you a single "opinion" to rate

Vote:

- A single vote, generally yes or no

Deliberation:

- Rate multiple choices rather than a single choice.
- Rate on a scale
- More than a single opinion that can be rated

Example in forums

The forum post, after it has been weighted through the deliberation feature by a couple of users, looks like this for a plain registered user that has just rated the two opinions:

The screenshot shows a forum interface for 'Delibera Web Test Forum 1'. At the top, there are buttons for 'Forum List' and 'Topic List'. Below these, the breadcrumb 'Forums » Delibera Web Test Forum 1 » Topic 1' is visible. The main content area has a blue header for 'Topic 1'. Below the header, it says 'Posted by admin on 2012-08-22 21:40' and 'This is a test to overview the new deliberation forum topic type.' There is a section titled 'Deliberations' with two entries: 'This is opinion 1' and 'This is opinion 2'. Each entry has a row of colored circles (red, orange, yellow, green) representing a rating scale, followed by a 'Rate' button. A 'Reply' button is located below the opinions. At the bottom right, it says 'Reads: 3'. Below the forum post, there is a 'Post new message' section with a 'Title' field and a 'Re: Topic 1' button. A red oval highlights the text 'Plain user view' in the top right corner of the forum post area.

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And this is how the same post would look like for the admin of that forum, in which some visual display of all the ratings for that post is shown with colors:

Delibera Web Test Forum 1

Edit Forum

Forum List

Topic List

Admin view

Forums » Delibera Web Test Forum 1 » Topic 1

Topic 1

Posted by admin on 2012-08-22 21:40

This is a test to overview the new deliberation forum topic type.

Deliberations

This is opinion 1

(1 / 50%)

(1 / 50%)

This is opinion 2

(1 / 50%)

(1 / 50%)

Rate

Rate

Rate

Reply

Reads: 3

Post new message

Title * Re: Topic 1

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