

Exchange Your Knowledge

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Collaboration in a large scale intervention project

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Demonstration School Project

- Government initiative
 - To promote educational media use
 - To promote development of 21st Century Skills
 - To develop designs for learning for innovative teaching and learning
 - To generate evidence on what works for whom, how and under which circumstances
- Budget: around 30 million kroner

Multiple Intervention Program

- Technical
- Designs for learning
- Organisational

Three projects

- Three projects sharing the same framework
 - Innovative teaching designs
 - Differentiation with IT
 - Teachers' professional development regarding IT

Research

- Effect: Quantitative evaluation
 - Baseline and end-line
 - Student competences
 - Context (surveys, structured observations)
- Cross project research
 - Qualitative
- Single project research
 - Qualitative

Participants

- Aarhus University
- 7 University Colleges
- Alexandra Institute
- 16 schools

Roles

- Consultants (around 3 x 10)
- Researchers (around 3 x 10)
 - Quantitative
 - Qualitative
- Teacher students as research assistants

Contracting authority objectives

- Ministry of Education
- Local Government Denmark (municipalities)
 - Showcases
 - Best practice
 - Guidances for teachers
 - What works?
- Go on! Answer quick!

School objectives

- Help developing teaching with ICT
- And a lot of other objectives!

Consultants

- How to support schools develop their practice
 - Give us time with the teachers
 - Don't make things too difficult

Quantitative researchers objectives

- What works for whom, how and under which circumstances

Qualitative researchers objectives

- What happens
- What stands in the way, promotes progressive teaching with IT
- How does IT participate in practice
- What about subject learning
- Etc.

All in all

- Very complex interventions in very different contexts
- Lots of different objectives in the same project
- Lots of infrastructure
- Lots of calendars!
- It is great fun!