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This book discusses the links between the basis of motivational, leadership and curricular constructs with regards to 21st century and net-generation learning. It brings together recent developments in motivation, educational leadership and curriculum design in order to offer a better understanding of what is already known and what is yet to be explored in these fields. It consists of a collection of findings on recent educational developments, including topics such as motivating the 21st century learner, leadership practices and influences, curriculum design and models, novel learning environments and 21st century learners and their needs.

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Intended to promote the innovative use of technology in education and promote educational advances all over the world, this volume brings together 16 best-practice cases on technology-enhanced educational innovations. Experts from Turkey, Tunisia, Cyprus, Italy, Malaysia, China, India and Finland have

contributed to these cases, highlighting the current state-of-the-art in the use of technology in education in their respective counties. Topics include best practices for designing smart classrooms, effective use of tablets and interactive whiteboards, virtual learning environments, digital learning spaces, game-based learning, synchronous cyber classrooms, micro-courses, among others. The book offers an essential resource on emerging technologies and the educational approaches currently being pursued in different countries to foster effective learning.

This volume presents findings and insights from contemporary thinking and research on the application of Information Technology in Educational Management. It analyzes the ways in which ICT has been used, across a range of educational institutions, to support various aspects of educational management. It is the latest in a series of books produced by IFIP Working Group 3.7.

"This book presents the relationship between SRL and ICTs from several standpoints, addressing both theoretical and applicative issues, providing examples from a range of disciplinary fields and educational settings"--Provided by publisher.

Recognizing the potential of ICTs to make the classroom transaction of curriculum significantly more relevant and purposeful, principals and school administrators in India need to design appropriate IT strategies and oversee the entire implementation process in their schools. This book is guide to the use of ICT in schools, covering issues of pedagogy, curriculum and learning. In brief, it deals with - Education uses of IT - Criteria for selection of hardware and software - Designing an IT-assisted curriculum - Teacher recruitment, training and desired competencies - Management and financial issues - Possible problem areas: plagiarism, privacy, hacking Lucidly written, with case studies highlighting successful strategies, this volume will be of immense importance to principals and administrators of schools as also students of education.

This volume investigates the agendas and initiatives for using education to transition Gulf communities from being dependent on natural resources into knowledge societies. This volume presents information, case studies and empirical research about the development of information-based economies across the Arabian Gulf as a whole.

Although educational leaders do not have to be digital experts, they play an important role in supporting learning communities that embrace technological innovation and promote systemic change. The Digital Principal shows administrators how to apply their leadership skills to a learning environment rich in technology, and provide opportunities for both students and teachers to work and learn within the digital world. From the basics of digital literacy to connecting to the digital community, this timely book establishes an effective framework for integrating technology into instruction and learning.

Within educational organizations, administration and leadership are relied upon for the allocation of resources as well as the optimization of processes that can include data storage, knowledge management, and decision making. To support these expectations, technologies,

knowledge, and smart systems must be put into place that allow administrators and leaders to accomplish these tasks as efficiently as possible. Utilizing Technology, Knowledge, and Smart Systems in Educational Administration and Leadership is an academic research book that examines knowledge regarding the scholarly exploration of the technologies, information/knowledge, and smart systems in educational administration and leadership. It provides a holistic, systematic, and comprehensive paradigm. Featuring a wide range of topics such as technology leadership in schools, technology integration in educational administration, and professional development, this book is ideal for school administrators, educational leaders, principals, IT consultants, educational software developers, academicians, researchers, professionals, educational policymakers, educators, and students.

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This handbook presents a global overview of current research in education and education policy reforms during the last decade. It provides an accessible, practical and comparative source of current research that examines the intersecting and diverse discourses of this important issue. It first examines globalisation, education and policy research and reforms in higher education, including coverage of main trends in education and policy reforms globally, as well as specific policy issues such as gender, equity, minorities and human rights. Next, the handbook offers a comparative perspective that evaluates the ambivalent and problematic relationship between globalisation, the state and education reforms globally. It features coverage on curricula issues and education reforms in schools around the world, the curriculum in the global culture, as well as globalisation and education futures, with respect to social justice and human rights. The handbook contributes to a better and a more holistic understanding of the education reforms and research nexus—offering possible strategies for the effective and pragmatic policy planning and implementation at the local, regional and national levels. It will serve as a vital sourcebook of ideas for researchers, practitioners and policy makers in education.

"This book unites the theoretical underpinnings and scientific methodology of an approach of deploying ICT in marginalized communities to bridge the so-called digital divide. This book contains case studies of Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean that demonstrate which approaches work and which do not in deploying public access to information sources"--Provided by publisher.

This dissertation, "The Impact of ICT Policies on Educational Practice in a Secondary School" by Man-ki, Leung, ???, was obtained from The University of Hong Kong (Pokfulam, Hong Kong) and is being sold pursuant to Creative Commons: Attribution 3.0 Hong Kong License.

The content of this dissertation has not been altered in any way. We have altered the formatting in order to facilitate the ease of printing and reading of the dissertation. All rights not granted by the above license are retained by the author. Abstract: The dissertation describes a case study conducted in a Hong Kong secondary school, which investigated educational practices relating to the adoption of Information and Communication Technology (ICT). The study examined the changes in the educational practices; identified obstacles, success factors, strategies and interventions for ICT integration into teaching and learning from a professional development and leadership perspective; and investigated teachers' pedagogical practices and students' classroom activities with the use of ICT. A framework based on the literature was developed to address the professional development and leadership issues related to integrating ICT into teaching and learning, with the aim of providing a holistic view and achieving better understanding of relationships between these issues and educational practice and change. The researcher's school has experienced three major ICT initiatives in Hong Kong, and was selected for the study. The principal, the ICT coordinator, five Mathematics teachers and four Science teachers participated in the study. A mixed-methods approach was used to collect and analyze the data. The study first adopted parts of the questionnaire survey instruments used by the SITES 2006, which depicted a general picture of participants' attitudes towards ICT on teaching and learning. Lesson observations and semi-structured interviews were then conducted to provide an in-depth understanding about the adoption of ICT on teachers' pedagogical practices and students' classroom activities from the perspective of professional development and leadership. Analysis of documentation and archival records were done for supplementing the understanding of the study. The findings of the study showed that the school leaders enacted ICT policies and practices with various strategies to ensure the effectiveness of teaching and learning. The school provided a rich-ICT environment conducive to teaching and learning. The teachers used a variety of ICT tools to develop their pedagogical practices and adopted a student-centered teaching approach in designing classroom activities, allowing students to control their learning progress. In regard to professional development, the school organized different related activities to meet the teachers' individual professional needs and improve student achievement. The professional development activities not only equipped teachers with various ICT knowledge and skills, but also supported their pedagogical practices through collaboration and sharing among teachers. Furthermore, the school leadership was found to be effective at building an ICT vision and supporting teachers in exercising their leadership at different levels. Trust relationships were built among the school leaders, empowering them to risk integrating ICT into pedagogical practices. The school leaders also provided equity of ICT access and a ubiquitous network on campus to ensure that teaching and learning could occur anywhere and at any time. Finally, teachers were provided opportunities to share their good pedagogical practices with colleagues. This study provides educational practitioners with an in-depth insight into the current state of pedagogical approaches and how technologies can be integrated into pedagogical practices and classroom activities with the support of professional development and leadership, resulting in a genuine improvement in student

Globalization has shifted perspectives on individualism and identity as cultural exchange occurs more rapidly in an age of heightened connectivity. As technology connects those around the world, it too helps to provoke a shift in the autonomy of individuals. The Handbook of Research on Individualism and Identity in the Globalized Digital Age is an essential resource for researchers, professionals, and graduate-level students. This book explores and explains how globalization has impacted humans with specific emphasis on education and human development. This research-based publication presents critical perspectives on universal changes that are occurring due to globalization.

With increasing global challenges, the Belt and Road initiative seems to offer one possible

platform to think about different possibilities and pathways to promote international collaboration and development covering Asia, Europe, Africa, and other countries. Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in education, as a key focus, provides valuable perspectives for governments, inter-governmental and non-governmental agencies wanting to innovate and advance both ICT and education independently and collaboratively. This book highlights the burgeoning of ICT in education in eleven countries, with particular emphasis placed on the context of the Belt and Road Initiative. ICT has increasingly important roles in education including improve teaching and learning qualities, as well as equity in education. The prominent contributors describe the state-of-the-art of ICT in education in eleven countries based on six major themes (policy perspectives, infrastructure, educational resources, ICT integration into practices, students' ICT competence, and teachers' professional development). We hope the in-depth discussions included in this book would provoke more academic and policy insights globally.

This book is an essential text for researchers and academics seeking the most comprehensive and up-to-date coverage of all aspects of e-learning and ICT in education, providing expanded peer-reviewed content from research presented at the 10th Panhellenic Conference on ICT in Education. The volume includes papers covering technical, pedagogical, organizational, instructional, as well as policy aspects of ICT in Education and e-Learning, and emphasizes applied research relevant to the educational realities in schools, colleges, universities and informal learning organizations. Research on e-Learning and ICT in Education is a valuable resource for education professionals interested in keeping up with current trends, perspectives, and approaches determining e-Learning and ICT integration in practice, including learning and teaching, curriculum and instructional design, learning media and environments, teacher education and professional development.

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the Third European Conference on Information Literacy, ECIL 2015, held in Tallinn, Estonia, in October 2015. The 61 revised full papers presented were carefully reviewed and selected from 226 submissions. The papers are organized in topical sections on information literacy, environment and sustainability; workplace information literacy and knowledge management; ICT competences and digital literacy; copyright literacy; other literacies; information literacy instruction; teaching and learning information literacy; information literacy, games and gamification; information need, information behavior and use; reading preference: print vs electronic; information literacy in higher education; scholarly competencies; information literacy, libraries and librarians; information literacy in different context.

The Handbook of Research on the Education of School Leaders brings together empirical research on leadership preparation and development to provide a comprehensive overview and synthesis of what we know about preparing school leaders today. With contributions from the field's foremost scholars, this new edition investigates the methodological foundations of leadership preparation research, reviews the pedagogical and curricular features of preparation programs, and presents valuable insights into the demographic, economic, and

political factors affecting school leaders. This volume both mirrors the first edition's macro-level approach to leadership preparation and presents the most up-to-date research in the field. Updates to this edition cover recent state and federal government efforts to improve leadership in education, new challenges for the field, and significant gaps and critical questions for framing, researching, evaluating, and improving the education of school leaders. Sponsored by the University Council of Educational Administration (UCEA), this handbook is an essential resource for students and scholars of educational leadership, as well as practitioners, policymakers, and other educators interested in professional leadership. .

"This comprehensive, six-volume collection addresses all aspects of online and distance learning, including information communication technologies applied to education, virtual classrooms, pedagogical systems, Web-based learning, library information systems, virtual universities, and more. It enables libraries to provide a foundational reference to meet the information needs of researchers, educators, practitioners, administrators, and other stakeholders in online and distance learning"--Provided by publisher.

This book features a selection of thoroughly refereed papers presented at two subconferences of the IFIP TC 3 Conference on Key Competencies in Informatics and Information and Communication Technologies: the IFIP WG 3.4 Conference on Key Competencies for Educating ICT Professionals, KCICTP 2014, and the IFIP WG 3.7 Conference on Information Technology in Educational Management, ITEM 2014, held in Potsdam, Germany, in July 2014. The 28 revised full papers were carefully reviewed and selected from numerous submissions. They are organized in the following topical sections: key competencies for educating ICT professionals; key competencies, learning and life transitions; key competencies and school management; and education stakeholders and key competencies.

This book showcases English educators from South East Asian countries using information and communications technologies (ICTs) as teaching resources and social networking sites as platforms for instruction, as well as communication with their learners. Their explorations in the web-based teaching and learning environment are reported as research studies using a variety of research methodologies across different samples of learners. Thus, this book is useful not only for English practitioners but also researchers like postgraduate students. It can be a reading material for an educational research methods course for Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL), Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) and Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) students.

A successful administrator is one who applies suitable or appropriate leadership styles in various situations or contexts. It is crucial to investigate how effective administrators lead their organizations in challenging and difficult times, as well as promote the accomplishments of their organization. Predictive Models for

School Leadership and Practices is an essential reference source that discusses academic administration as well as administrative effectiveness in achieving organizational goals. Featuring research on topics such as teacher collaboration, school crisis management, and ITC integration, this book is ideally designed for principals, researchers, academics, educational policymakers, and teachers seeking coverage on academic leadership and leadership models.

The effective and sustainable use of ICTs (Information and Communication Technologies) in education has become commonplace as it is necessary to keep up with demands of the 21st century. ICT in education has become a tool for the empowerment of both teachers and learners for better teaching and learning. Although various ICT strategies and initiatives are implemented across South Africa, no system-wide effective and sustainable ICT integration in schools has yet come about. The pace of integration is slow and teachers avoid using ICT in their teaching and learning practices due to insufficient training. The aim of teacher professional development (TPD) is to improve teachers' ICT application skills and knowledge, as well as to enable teachers to integrate ICT effectively in their classroom practices. Principals play a vital role in leading school reform, implementing innovations and bringing about change. The widespread assumption that high-quality leadership is an essential dimension of successful school management, leads to the question of how principals can influence teachers' effective and sustainable integration of ICT into classrooms through TPD activities. Therefore, the purpose of this research was to determine the influence that principals have on teachers' ICT integration through TPD. As school leadership is frequently cited as an essential for the successful integration of ICT into education, the very position of the principal is associated with authority, accountability and power. My initial research is based on Stoner's (1999) Adapted Life Cycle Model of Learning Technology Integration. I used this model to illustrate the principals' influence on teachers' integration of ICT into education. From this review subsidiary questions emerged. Qualitative research through in-depth interviews formed the basis of an interpretative perspective, allowing principals to reflect on ICT integration, as well as their influence on teachers' use of ICT. This study followed a basic grounded theory approach where I assumed an inductive stance and strived to derive meaning from the data in order to develop new theory. Pre-defined theoretical criteria determined the selection of the respondents to ensure validity of the data. The seven principals represented secondary schools across cultural and socio-economic levels. The perceptions and experiences of the principals were analysed, compared, and patterns of influence were identified. This study indicated that principals do not only influence the integration of ICT in classrooms through their leadership and management styles, but also through their attitude toward ICT integration, knowledge on related ICT and TPD issues, as well as their strategic thinking on ICT integration. Emerging findings on the role of the principal lead to new insights on the empowerment of teachers. The study resulted in a proposed theoretical

framework that indicates the interrelatedness of the emerging patterns that influence the principals' role through TPD.

This dissertation, "Issues for E-leadership With the Secon[e] Phase of ICT Implementation in Hong Kong" by Yu-sum, Alfred, Chan, ???, was obtained from The University of Hong Kong (Pokfulam, Hong Kong) and is being sold pursuant to Creative Commons: Attribution 3.0 Hong Kong License. The content of this dissertation has not been altered in any way. We have altered the formatting in order to facilitate the ease of printing and reading of the dissertation. All rights not granted by the above license are retained by the author. Abstract: Abstract Following the footsteps of major world leaders in education, the HKSAR government launched its five years I.T. plan in 1998. Since then, billions of dollars were spent on providing the basic infrastructures for schools, purchasing hardware & software, teacher training and staff development. At the same time, the Education Department (now the EMB) also initiated the requirements for teachers in achieving different I.T. competencies. By the school year 2003-04, schools are required to have at least 25% of their teaching resources in I.T. format for all subjects. The paper "ICT Implementation and School Leadership: Case Studies of ICT Integration in Teaching and Learning" by Yuen, Law & Wong (2000) shows that whether ICT implementation brings forth a variation in pedagogical practices depends part on the school leaders' vision and understanding of the role and impact of ICT in the curriculum. The leaders' goals and objectives for ICT integration also have significant influences. The research was conducted at the early stage of ICT implementation in Hong Kong (18 months after the launch of the plan). Since then, e-Leaders of schools have adopted different plans in search of the best way to incorporate ICT into the curriculum. Different "models" were identified and it was predicted that schools will somehow migrate from one stage to another. The SITES M2 report Hong Kong chapter identified four groups of e-Leaders at a later stage of the implementation plan: (1) initiator of school changes, (2) supporter of innovation and professional development, (3) innovation champion and initiator, and (4) visionary leader. Each type of leadership has different visions and implementation methods. The effect on staff, students, teaching and learning is very different among them. Five years have gone by now and the government of Hong Kong has not yet published a Second Master Plan in ICT education. Without a clear indication of what should be the next step, what will be the upcoming plans (if there is any) for the e-Leaders in school? At the same time, the HKSAR government is facing a huge budget deficit. Funding in all aspects will be cut. As reforms usually require vast amount of time and resources, how will the e-Leaders in school face this challenge in carrying out their reforms? What will be their contingency plan to deal with a situation like this? This study used a Qualitative method through interviewing 12 e-Leaders from four different schools. The study was selective; all four schools have different cultures and backgrounds in ICT. The Principal, the I.T. team leader and one teacher, who engaged in active use of ICT in his/her teaching, was interviewed. The results were triangulated to give a more accurate picture of the situation. The findings showed the importance of visions in e-leadership and their impacts on dealing with future implementation. Clear goals, careful planning and appropriate strategies are often keys to successful implementation. It was found that the shifting of paradigms and the development of Learning Communities are the results that make learning more meaningful and productive following the Constructivist's

approach to teaching and learning with ICT. ii DOI: 10.5353/th_b3049131 Subjects:
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Once considered designated storytellers, modern library professionals are emerging as experts in technology integration, information literacy, and curriculum alignment. Though, their collaboration with technology specialists and administrators continues to be a struggle. Collaborative Models for Librarian and Teacher Partnerships brings together best practices and innovative technological approaches in establishing the media specialist-teacher partnership. Highlighting theoretical concepts of case based learning, knowledge repositories, and professional learning communities; this book is an essential practical guide for professional development specialists, administrators, library media specialists, as well as teacher educators interested in maintaining and developing collaborative instructional partnerships using emerging digital technologies. This book of best practices documents how school administrators and librarians can work together to optimize their library media services. * Includes a collection of practical tools, such as a library walkabout description and form, a list of administrative enablers and inhibitors, GEAR process documentation and worksheets, administrator self-assessments in each chapter, planning paperwork for budgeting, scheduling, staffing, and feedback forms for the administrator and the library media specialist * Each chapter concludes with a comprehensive list of additional resources * Contains 13 helpful appendices sections

The book details the findings of a study carried out in Kenya, seeking to establish the role of a school Principal in integrating ICT in her school. Among other factors it highlights the provision and maintenance of ICTs facilities, creation of a school vision and distributed leadership as factors that created an enabling environment for teachers to integrate technology in their practices. Lack of supervision and financial constraints are highlighted as factors that impeded full integration of ICT in the school

Global interest in indigenous studies has been rapidly growing as researchers realize the importance of understanding the impact indigenous communities can have on the economy, development, education, and more. As the use, acceptance, and popularity of indigenous knowledge increases, it is crucial to explore how this community-based knowledge provides deeper insights, understanding, and influence on such things as decision making and problem solving. Indigenous Studies: Breakthroughs in Research and Practice examines the politics, culture, language, history, socio-economic development, methodologies, and contemporary experiences of indigenous peoples from around the world, as well as how contemporary issues impact these indigenous communities on a local, national, and global scale. Highlighting a range of topics such as local narratives, intergenerational cultural transfer, and ethnicity and identity, this publication is an ideal reference source for sociologists, policymakers, anthropologists, instructors, researchers, academicians, and graduate-level students in a variety of fields.

Solution at Hand to Improve Quality presents the materials necessary for understanding problems and solutions to integrate educational media technology in classroom teaching by exploring factors that affect the perceptions of instructional leaders. A considerable portion of the Solution at Hand to Improve Quality describes the roles of media in improving the quality of teaching-learning process and the roles of different

actors. It focuses in identifying the instructional leaders tendency to favor on supplementary or/and substitutive roles of media for classroom teaching in relation to their past training as well as experience. Solution at Hand to Improve Quality also pointed out the reasons behind for instructional leaders' perception and detailed solutions for the existing problems. Finally, Solution at Hand to Improve Quality presents practical recommendations for curriculum developers, education officials, teachers' educators, educational media experts, instructional leaders and even to teachers.

This book aims to serve as a multidisciplinary forum covering technical, pedagogical, organizational, instructional, as well as policy aspects of ICT in Education and e-Learning. Special emphasis is given to applied research relevant to educational practice guided by the educational realities in schools, colleges, universities and informal learning organizations. In a more generic scope, the volume aims to encompass current trends and issues determining ICT integration in practice, including learning and teaching, curriculum and instructional design, learning media and environments, teacher education and professional development, assessment and evaluation, etc.

The rapid development of information communication technologies (ICTs) is having a profound impact across numerous aspects of social, economic, and cultural activity worldwide, and keeping pace with the associated effects, implications, opportunities, and pitfalls has been challenging to researchers in diverse realms ranging from education to competitive intelligence.

"This book captures the current trends in technology integration from PreK-12 to higher education, focusing on the various constituent groups, namely students, teachers, and communities, in education and the effects of educational technology on learning and empowerment"--Provided by publisher.

Research in the area of teaching and learning within education is a dynamic area that continues to evolve because of new technologies, knowledge, models, and methods within formal and non-formal educational settings. It is essential to evaluate the changes that educational systems undergo as they adapt to the increasing use of the technology and the flattening of access to education from an international perspective. Redesigning Teaching, Leadership, and Indigenous Education in the 21st Century is a cutting-edge research publication that provides comprehensive research on the amalgamation of teaching and learning practices at each level of the education system. Highlighting a range of topics such as bibliometrics, indigenous studies, and professional development, this book is ideal for academicians, education professionals, administrators, curriculum developers, classroom designers, professionals, researchers, and students.

The integration of information and communication technologies in education is unavoidable, as an increasing percentage of educators embrace modern technology, others are faced with the decision to reevaluate their own pedagogical practices or become obsolete. To meet the needs of students, one must first define what stipulates a successful K-12 student, the best practices of online classrooms, the warning signs for low-performing students, and how to

engage web-based students. Optimizing K-12 Education through Online and Blended Learning addresses the models, support, cases, and delivery of K-12 online education. Seeking to further the conversation about the most effective ways to integrate ICT into the classroom, this publication presents theoretical frameworks to support educators and administrators. This book is an essential collection of research for teachers, administrators, students of education, IT professionals, developers, and policy makers.

This book seeks to present a comprehensive review of Singapore's ICT Masterplans in education, providing a rare behind-the-scenes look at policy planning, as well as the lessons learnt and insights gained from the past decade of the use of ICT in teaching and learning. Since 1997 (when the First Masterplan was launched) to 2008, schools and teachers have made great strides in their use of ICT for education at all levels: primary, secondary and junior college. The seeds of this change were planted in the Pioneer Years (1980-1996) which marked the pre-Masterplan period, and they began to germinate in the momentous Foundation Years (1997-2002) when the First Masterplan got underway. The subsequent period of the Engaging Years (2003-2008) outlines the growth of the Second Masterplan, while the Future Years present the vision of what the future of ICT will look like in Singapore schools in 2009 and beyond. This comprehensive coverage of the evolution of ICT use in Singapore schools includes views and reflections from key individuals involved in the planning and implementation of the two ICT Masterplans, students, teachers, ICT experts, and policy makers. It also includes articles detailing significant projects and programmes of the First and Second ICT Masterplans.

This book offers a nuanced understanding of how two different theories of leadership can be applied to achieve better results within schools. These leadership theories – Instructional Leadership and Leadership for Learning – have assisted our recent understanding of school leadership. This book interrogates the theories themselves as well as their impact on education systems around the world. It also looks at how they can be practically applied to educate school leaders within their schools and beyond, building partnerships with families, schools and other community agencies serving students. In doing so, the book considers the possibility that these theories are not opposed, but two sides of the same coin. Both are underpinned by the question ‘how do we provide the best educational experience for students?’. The answer to this question will determine the way leaders go about the task of leading schools. This important book will be of interest and value to students and scholars of educational leadership, as well as educational leaders themselves.

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