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Title: Who else is reimagining learning in digital worlds besides big tech?

Abstract: The project <u>Reimagining learning digital worlds</u> brought together the University of Utrecht and Deakin University to explore the new ways that learning is being shaped through digital media both in and beyond the classroom. The project was devised pre-Covid and prior to the spread of platformization as a key conceptual heuristic to explain the organisation of power, learning and education across contemporary societies. This provocation proposes that while the project might show limits to the power of platforms in Education, their effects on constraining what it might mean to imagine teaching and learning lowers the horizon for criticality and thus destabilises our historical belief in the transformative potential of education.

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