# The EdTech Hub: Building a global community of practice of researchers and implementers

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#### The EdTech challenge

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The potential of technology-use to improve learning outcomes is not being realised.

As a consequence, funding invested is not leading to equitable improvement of education.

#### Some contributing factors

- 1. Incomplete understanding of (in-)effective EdTech-use;
- **2.** Intervention designs: not effective, not evidence-based;
- **3.** Policy decisions: not effective, not evidence-based;
- **4.** Stakeholders are disconnected / disparate;
- **5.** EdTech evidence is not easily accessible.

#### What is the EdTech Hub?

#### **Our** aim

Generate and convene evidence, increase the use of evidence ...

... to inform decision-making and practice on the most appropriate and effective uses of technology to improve learning. Quality education: improved (generalised) learning outcomes

low-income environments in LMICs: equity and inclusion

Technology (?)

#### Not asking:

#### What's the 'technology solution' ?



#### Not asking:

#### Does technology-use in education lead to learning outcomes?

Differential benefit + cost of technology to accelerate, scale, improve quality education for all. In classrooms, for teachers, in schools, in education systems.

#### 1. Research — Innovation

#### 2. Scale: growth-stage + at-scale

#### 3. Engagement (governments)

#### At-scale research and innovation

Growth-stage innovation and research

Engagement

#### Our approach

**Research** to understand effective uses of technology within education interventions to raise learning outcomes

**Innovation** to research and support effective learning-focused EdTech-enabled interventions to scale

**Engagement** to ensure research outcomes meet user needs and lead to change for children's education

#### £20m+

#### 8 years







#### **1. Global Public Goods**

#### 2. Evidence + learning

#### 3. Dialogue + CoP



#### Workshop objectives

#### 1. Convene and listen to our users

#### 2. Share insights

#### 3. Capture learning

#### Workshop structure

#### 1. Design your EdTech Hub

#### 2. Dialogue groups

#### 3. Challenges and fears

#### 4. Your participation

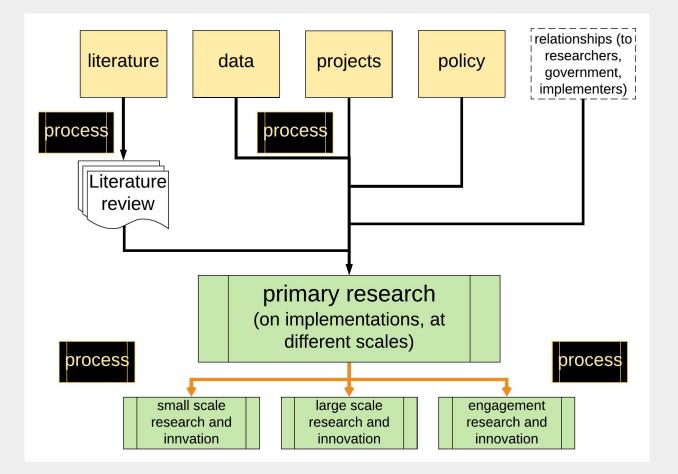
## Activity: what do you want from the EdTech Hub?

#### 1. Think (post-its)

#### 2. 'Pair' (on your table)

#### 3. Share (snap)

#### **Research inputs**



#### EdTech Hub research activities

#### **Dialogue groups**

**Groups 1 & 2 & 3:** How do we consult the community (of researchers and practitioners) on the four research inputs (literature, data, project and policies)? How do we ensure that these inputs stay up-to-date?

**Groups 4 & 5:** How do we break down the barriers and bridges between research and implementation — engaging government and other partners throughout (focusing on the difficult questions they face as they integrate technology into their education systems)?

#### Activity: Risks and concerns

#### EdTech / EdTech Hub

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## Activity: How do we get your participation?

#### 1. Think (post-its)

#### 2. 'Pair' (on your table)

#### 3. Share (snap)

i) research locations where do we plan to do the research (countries)

ii) what opportunity will I have to be involved in the research down the line.



### Thank you!

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