

The Digital North Denmark Research Seminar

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Preliminary programme

**Thursday 21
November**

- 9.30 a.m. **Arrival, coffee, tea**
- 10.00 a.m. **Welcome**
The participatory research project on the Digital North Denmark
Lone Dirckinck-Holmfeld, Research professor and project manager, Aalborg
Universitet
<http://www.hum.auc.dk/ansatte/ldh>
- 10.15 a.m. **Theme 1:**
**Politically concerted actions on ICT-development at
the regional level**
Chairman: Bent Dalum

**"Regional Innovation Systems, Clusters and the Knowledge Economy –
A Comparative Perspective on Regional Development in Europe"**
Philip Cooke: Professor of Regional Development and Director of the Centre
for Advanced Studies, Cardiff University, UK.
<http://www.cf.ac.uk/cass/staff/pc.html>
- 11.00 a.m. **Break**
- 11.15 a.m. **"The Internet DNS: an obsolete logjam in a multi-cultural world
-present situation and alternative solutions"**
Louis Pouzin, professor of information technology, THESEUS Institute,
Sophia-Antipolis
<http://www.hum.auc.dk/~hannea/pouzin.doc>

12.00 a.m.

Lunch break

1.00 p.m.

**Theme 2:
ICT – Development: three cases
Panel and discussion**

Chairman: Lars Torpe
(coffee and tea will be served)

Case 1:

The Digital North Denmark

Director, Nanna Skovrup

<http://thedigitalnorthdenmark.com/index.php/>

Case 2:

“The Digital Sweden”

<http://www.itkommissionen.se>

Case 3:

Civic networking in Bologna

Mrs. Leda Guidi, head of Iperbole civic network, Bologna

<Http://www.comune.bologna.it>

4.00 p. m.

Coffee break

Theme 3:

Researching concerted actions on ICT-development in regions

Chairman: Arne Remmen

4.30 p. m.

“The Learning Region - ICT and Regional Development”

Lars Qvortrup: Professor, Syddansk Universitet

<http://www.qvortrup.info/>

5. 15 p. m.

“Mobilising a Regional Lighthouse – A Study of the Digital North Denmark Programme”

Henrik Bruhn, PhD

Laboratory of Environmental Protection,

Helsinki University of Technology

The paper is available from M. Sotarauta and H. Bruhn (eds.) *Nordic Perspectives on Process-Based Regional*

<http://www.hut.fi/Units/Civil/EM/DevelopmentPolicy>, Nordregio Report 2002-3, Stockholm.

<http://www.nordregio.se/Files/r0203p125-156.pdf>

6. 00 p. m. **End of to-days programme**

8. 00 p. m. **Dinner**

**Friday 22
November**

9.00 a. m. **Theme 3 (continued):**
Thematic workshops (Detailed programme enclosed after this
programme)

Group 1:
ICT, governance and democracy
ICT, governance and democracy

Organized by:
Arne Remmen, professor, Aalborg University
Lars Torpe, Associate professor, Aalborg University PhD student Torben
Kjeldgaard Larsen
PhD student Jens Ulrich

Group 2:
ICT, Infrastructure and industrial development

Organized by:
Ole Brun Madsen, Professor Aalborg University
Bent Dalum, Associate professor Aalborg University
PhD student Thomas Knudsen
PhD student Christian Ø. R. Pedersen

Group 3:
ICT, competence building and learning

Organized by:
Lone Dirckinck-Holmfeld, Research Professor Aalborg University
Ann Bygholm, Associate professor Aalborg University
PhD student Gitte Stoltenberg Aalborg University
PhD Student Egil Boisen Aalborg University

12.00 a.m. **Closing**
Lone Dirckinck-Holmfeld, research professor and project manager, Aalborg
University

12.30 p.m. **Lunch**

Workshop programmes

Programme for workshop 1: ICT, governance and democracy:

Four presentations will be given as base for the workshop

Jens Hoff, Copenhagen University:
ICT and Governance. Does IT matter?

Lars Torpe & Jens Ulrich: Aalborg University:
E-democracy - experiences from a small municipality.

Arne Remmen & Torben Kjeldgaard Larsen, Aalborg University:
Digital Administration – a comparative analysis of means and ends in the DDN-projects.

Birgit Jæger, Roskilde University:
Innovations in public administration - a critical review of the DDN-projects within Digital administration

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Programme for workshop 2: ICT, Infrastructure and Industrial development

The workshop will focus on essential requirements for supporting ICT Industrial development in an ICT based society

Two presentations will be given as base for the workshop:

Bent Dalum:
Strategic considerations for the future of the North Jutland ICT sector

Ole Brun Madsen:
Strategic considerations for an IT Infrastructure supporting Industrial development

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Programme for workshop 3: ICT, competence building and learning:

The workshop is dealing with two main questions: Learning in Virtual Environments and Design of Virtual Learning Environments. The discussion of the questions takes point of departure in the projects from The Digital North Denmark.

Learning

- How to do participatory research on learning and competence development?
- What kinds of learning processes are the projects within DDN dealing with?
- What kinds of learning strategies are we supporting?

Design

- Who are we designing for – who is going to learn?
- How to design for learning and competence development
- How does the design of the systems influence the learning strategies

Four short presentations will be given as base for the workshop

Lone Dirckinck-Holmfeld:

How to do participatory research – different approaches.

Ann Bygholm:

Learning to use IT in professional work: what does that imply?

A framework for understanding the learning implications of implementing and using IT in the context of the digital health projects.

Eigil Boisen:

Handing competence to the patient, how may ICT enhance this process? Initial considerations on the Diabetes Advisory System (DIAS-net) under the DDN – project: “Det Digitale Sygehus” (The digital hospital)

Gitte Stoltenberg:

Participatory design practices – designing by doing. Experiences from DDN – projects on learning and competence development