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## 'Tackling the Contradictions in the Technology Enhanced Face to Face Classroom'

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In the wake of a pre-COVID Change Laboratory, a number of contradictions emerged in laptop-mediated English language classrooms at a federal institution in the UAE. The post-COVID return to classroom teaching means there is now the opportunity to explore these contradictions and put new models of practice into place. In this session I'll briefly describe the Change Laboratory, and then focus on three areas of contradictions that I am currently investigating. These areas are effective device usage, different devices for different purposes, and effective use of space and deployment.

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