ESF Exploratory Workshop on

SOCIAL, COGNITIVE AND AFFECTIVE DIMENSIONS OF COLLABORATIVE LEARNING INTERACTIONS: TOWARDS AN INTEGRATED ANALYSIS

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Main Objectives of the Workshop:

The aim of this workshop is to bring together specialist researchers from across Europe to lay the theoretical and methodological foundations for an integrated approach to analysing communicative interactions produced in collaborative problem-solving and learning situations. The approach should provide precise criteria for the analysis of social, cognitive and affective dimensions of communicative interaction, show how the phenomena analysed relate to collaborative learning in and by interaction, and — above all — integrate these dimensions within elements of a unified theoretical-methodological framework.

Studying the interrelations of cognitive, social and affective dimensions of interactions requires an interdisciplinary approach in social sciences, with contributions from, and collaboration between, researchers in different social science disciplines that study structures and processes of communication and learning in interaction. This workshop will bring together specialists in educational sciences (studying the socio-institutional context of learning), linguistics (linguistic interactionists, conversation analysts, working on the roles of social relations and identities in interaction structures) and (social, cognitive) psychology (working on emotion and interactive knowledge elaboration).

Workshop Agenda

Participants will compare analyses, along different dimensions, of a single common corpus of interactions (already collected by a workshop participant). Elements of analyses will be requested before the workshop, aligned and then redistributed, as a preparatory exercise.

Already written papers relating closely to participants’ research will be circulated within the group prior to the workshop, in particular to facilitate work of discussants of sessions. Discussants will be asked to write short critical summaries of sessions, revised versions of which will be included in the workshop proceedings, to be published subsequently in the form of a book.
Report publication and dissemination

The set of abstracts will be published as hard copy, and on a workshop website as a pdf file. The book to be published as an outcome of the workshop will be discussed in a concluding session to it.
FINAL PROGRAMME

Monday 25th May 2009

Morning

Arrival

12.15-13.45 Lunch and get-together (visitors’ dining room, Telecom ParisTech)

14.00-14.20 Welcome by Convenor
Michael Baker (CNRS-Telecom ParisTech, Paris, France)

14.20-14.40 Presentation of the European Science Foundation (ESF)
Thorlakur KARLSSON (School of Business, Reykjavik University, Iceland)


14.40-15.10 Presentation 1 “Contextual nature of collaborative knowledge construction”
Maarit Arvaja, Päivi Häkkinen (Finnish Institute for Educational Research, Jyväskylä, Finland)

15.10-15.40 Presentation 2 “Dimensions of the quality of collaborative learning interactions”
Anne Meier, Hans Spada (Institut für Psychologie, Abteilung Allgemeine Psychologie, Freiburg, Germany)

15.40-16.00 Coffee / tea break

16.00-16.30 Presentation 3 “Critical Care Teams Analyzing their Collaborative Work Using Video”
Klas Karlgren (Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden)

16.30-17.00 Presentation 4 “Self-regulation and motivation in collaborative learning: a process analysis”
Sanna Järvelä, Hanna Järvenoja, Tarja-Riitta Hurme (Department of Educational Sciences and Teacher Education, University of Oulu, Finland)

17.00-17.30 Presentation 5 “Group Self-regulation during Collaborative Problem Solving”
Pierre Dillenbourg, Khaled Bachour (CRAFT-EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland)

17.30-18.30 Discussion
Discussants: Charles Crook (School of Education, University of Nottingham, United Kingdom), Åsa Mäkitalo (LinCS, Department of Education, Göteborg University, Sweden), Baruch Schwarz (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel)

20.00 Dinner
Tuesday 26th May 2009

09.00-09.30 Review of progress so far
Michael Baker (CNRS-Telecom ParisTech, Paris, France), Sanna Järvelä (University of Oulu, Oulu, Finland), Jerry Andriessen (Wise & Munro Learning Research, The Hague, The Netherlands)

09.30-13.00 Morning Session: [2] Experience, emotion, collaboration and learning

09.30-10.00 Presentation 1 “Re-thinking the collaborative experience of learning in a Web2.0 ecology”
Charles Crook (School of Education, University of Nottingham, United Kingdom)

10.00-10.30 Presentation 2 “Affects and subjective appraisal in collaborative interactions”
Béatrice Cahour (CNRS-Telecom ParisTech, Paris, France)

10.30-11.00 Coffee / tea break

11.00-11.30 Presentation 3 “Changes in narrative and argumentative writing by students discussing ‘hot’ historical issues”
Baruch Schwarz, Tsafrir Goldberg (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel)

11.30-12.00 Presentation 4 “Drawing upon cultural-historical approaches to depict mechanisms of tension resolution in interdisciplinary knowledge work”
Patrick Sins (Research centre Learning in Interaction, Utrecht University, The Netherlands)

12.00-12.30 Presentation 5 “Tension-relaxation patterns and uptake of information in educational dialogues”

12.30-13.00 Discussion
Discussants: Pierre Dillenbourg (CRAFT-EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland), Christian Hudelot (CNRS-Université Paris Ouest La Défense, Paris, France), Roger Saljö (LinCS, Department of Education, Göteborg University, Sweden)

13.00-14.00 Lunch (visitors’ dining room, Telecom ParisTech)

14.00-18.30 Afternoon Session: [3] Language, learning and social context

14.00-14.30 Presentation 1 “Learning, inscriptions and knowing”
Roger Saljö (LinCS, Department of Education, Göteborg University, Sweden)

14.30-15.00 Presentation 2 “On some forms of support for verbal expression during the development of complex language skills in children”
Christian Hudelot (CNRS-Université Paris Ouest La Défense, Paris, France)

15.00-15.30 Presentation 3 “Identity dimensions in argumentative learning interactions: methodological and theoretical discussion from the analysis of argumentative productions mediated by Digalo”
Nathalie Müller-Mirza (Institut de Psychologie, Université de Lausanne, Switzerland)
15.30-16.00  Coffee / tea break

16.00-16.30  Presentation 4 “Gender, social comparison and stereotype threat in collaborative problem solving”  
Richard Joiner (Department of Psychology, University of Bath, United Kingdom)

16.30-17.00  Presentation 5 “Conversation analysis, accountability and situated knowing”  
Åsa Mäkitalo (LinCS, Department of Education, Göteborg University, Sweden)

17.00-17.30  Presentation 6 “Appropriation of collaborative learning technologies as an institutional, social and cognitive process”  
François-Xavier Bernard (Department of Educational Sciences, Université Paris Descartes, Paris, France), Michael Baker (CNRS-Telecom ParisTech, Paris, France),

17.30-18.30  Discussion  
Discussants: Päivi Häkkinen (Finnish Institute for Educational Research, Jyväskylä, Finland), Klas Karlgren (Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden), Hans Spada (Institut für Psychologie, Abteilung Allgemeine Psychologie, Freiburg, Germany)

20.00  Dinner
Wednesday 27th May 2009

09.00-09.15  **Introduction to the morning session’s work**


09.15-10.00  **Round-table discussion: Session [1] “Collaborative knowledge construction, regulation and motivation”**
*Presenters of session [1]* and *Discussants of session [1]*

*Presenters of session [2]* and *Discussants of session [2]*

10.45-11.15  **Coffee / tea break**

*Presenters of session [3]* and *Discussants of session [3]*

12.00-13.00  **Discussion on follow-up activities/networking/collaboration**

13.00-14.00  **End of workshop, lunch (visitors’ dining room, Telecom ParisTech), departure**
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