

OLPC machine may cause an education revolution

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If the One Laptop Project keeps its promises, the small green US\$100 laptop could very well revolutionise teaching in developing nations. Computerworld Denmark asked Jan Soelberg, an expert from the school of education at the University of Aarhus, to try the computer.

The hyped One Laptop per Child project at MIT could potentially be a revolutionary tool for education in developing nations, said Soelberg after he tested the PC at Computerworld Denmark's office.

"It's one of the potentially most interesting contributions in the effort to equalize some of the differences we face in the world today," said Soelberg.

He became aware of the project six months ago. If the PC and project can live up to their promises, the computer could become the ultimate learning tool, said Soelberg. None of the functions that are in modern computers are missing, he said.

"It can work as a book and create sound files and play them. It seems like there is nothing that it can't do," Soelberg said.

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