



PRESENTATION SERIES

Rethinking Digital Technologies in the Early Years: Philosophy, AI, and Practice

In this presentation, Professor Susan Edwards, Director of the Early Childhood Futures research program and Head of Discipline for Early Childhood Education at Australian Catholic University, considers how ideas from the philosophy of technology can support thoughtful engagement with digital tools and AI in early childhood education. As technology, especially AI, becomes increasingly present in early years settings, educators are being asked to navigate complex questions about what these tools do and how they shape children's experiences. This presentation responds to the BC ELF's invitation for educators to critically reflect on engagements with technologies in 21st-century classrooms. Professor Edwards also discusses the difference between AI *in* Education and AI *and* Education, highlighting why this distinction matters for the early years. The session offers space to think together about the growing presence of digital technologies and the questions they raise for educators today.

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