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Will the Coming Metaverse Improve Education in China?

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The big promise of the metaverse for education is that it will improve education by making learning more immersive, detailed, social, and impartial. But turning a modern classroom into a virtual world can be quite a daunting task. What does it take for teachers to create immersive learning experiences? How long will it take for the metaverse to become a reality in education in China? Might institutional factors like reforms of education in China help to speed up the emergence of the metaverse? Jean-Yves LeCorre will share his perspectives from his on-the-ground experiences as an educator, while Nicolas Labatut will share his understanding of the trends in China's K12 education sector.

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