



Coding  
Pirates

# FOUNDATION MANIFESTO

Coding Pirates Denmark

# THE CODING PIRATES MISSION

Coding Pirates generate and embrace many different processes, activities and courses, carried out in different ways and taking on a variety of forms. Coding Pirates aim to invite, support and promote complex ideation, creative construction, design thinking and enterprising through mixed technologies, media and materials. Coding Pirates explore and experiment with technologies and course formats through constantly engaging, being inspired by and inspiring participants and surroundings to develop their ways of utilizing technologies for creative constructions.

- Coding Pirates aims to create a network of departments across the country and globally around the world where children, youngsters and adults come together as coding pirates to ideate, construct, collaborate, create and knowledge share through inventive and innovative use of technology.
- Coding Pirates aims to make a difference in our approach to and attitude towards technology. Coding Pirates wants to foster technological competencies and education as well as creative and reflective thinking with technologies.
- Coding Pirates aims to be fertile soil for friendships around as well as scaffolding professional development within technological imagination and innovation.
- Coding Pirates aims to create engaged, empowered and enterprising citizenship in a creative, playful and open society. Coding Pirates aspires to be a playing ground for participatory culture where people inspire, contribute to and create for each other. Coding Pirates dream of open minds in an open culture.
- Coding Pirates aims to scaffold, disseminate and develop knowledge about valuable technological interactions and experiences through open processes and knowledge sharing with each other and the world. Coding Pirates dream of open-ended processes in an open world.

# THE CODING PIRATES NETWORK

Coding Pirates departments can be sited and based anywhere that creates a place for children and volunteers adhering to the Coding Pirates Foundation Manifesto. Coding Pirates takes place where people come together to design, construct, code, invent, explore and experiment with technologies. Coding Pirates is a community consisting of a web of departments that partake in collaboration, communication and critical reflection with each other.

- Coding Pirates wants to foster a strong department network where coding pirates departments work together across the country and the globe. It will do so through creating cross-department structures, platforms and events where Coding Pirates departments enter into dialogue, teamwork and cooperation with each other.
- Coding Pirates wants to foster a strong volunteer network where coding pirates volunteers work together in and between departments as they network, knowledge share, inspire, collaborate and support each other internally and externally. It will do so through creating special volunteer events, workshops, camps and opportunities that support this.
- Coding pirates wants to foster a strong participatory culture where coding pirates participants work together on projects across the county and the globe. It will do so through courses, workshops and events that incite co-constructions, dialogue, co-inventions, friendships and creative and innovative ways of working together internally and externally.
- Coding Pirates wants to be an economically independent non-profit association and network, able to cover necessary expenses and ensure the continued development of the association and its departments. Coding Pirates aims to be an association excercising social responsibility through promoting the creation of supportive environments and networks for all children to imagine, create and construct with technologies on their own terms.

# THE CODING PIRATES ASSOCIATION

Coding Pirates is an association that constitutes the organizational framework around the network of Coding Pirates departments, events, activities and courses. It is an open democratic association building on participatory culture and participant involvement. It invites everyone with a zest for technological imagination, innovation and enterprising to become proactive –co-creators and owners of Coding Pirates that partake in the development of what Coding Pirates is and might become.

- Coding Pirates requires an active participatory advisory board with national and international outreach, through which Coding Pirates is supported, developed and promoted through international partnerships, initiatives, development and research projects, knowledge dissemination and suchlike on a national and international level. The goal is to dissipate and share knowledge with the rest of the world and incorporate knowledge from the rest of the world into Coding Pirates.
- Coding Pirates requires an active participatory association board with national weight and impact. Through which Coding Pirates is supported, developed and advanced through ownership, knowledge, competence, engagement, initiatives, experiments and suchlike on a national level. The goal is to ensure a motivated, engaged and skillful association board that puts the continuing strengthening, development and knowledge implementation of the Coding Pirates concept and foundation manifesto at its center.
- Coding Pirates requires active participatory local boards and departments with regional weight and impact, through which Coding Pirates is supported, developed and advanced through regional ownership, knowledge, competence, engagement, initiatives, experiments and suchlike, on the basis of the Coding Pirates Foundation Manifesto, on a regional level. The goal is to ensure a motivated, engaged and informed local boards that puts the continuing strengthening, development and knowledge implementation of the Coding Pirates concept and foundation manifesto at its center.

# THE CODING PIRATES VALUES

Coding Pirates seeks to promote a creative, playful, experimenting, explorative and inquiring mindset and use technological materials, communities and culture to support this. Coding Pirates meet to ideate, construct, code, play and design through developing own technological ideas and solutions. Coding Pirates core values reflect this. The core values of Coding Pirates are:

- **Technological imagination, initiative and enterprising**
  - Supporting a mindset characterized by creativity, inventiveness, curiosity, confidence, courage, computational thinking, zest, exploration, prowess, vigor and vitality in multifarious ways taking multiple forms with technology are the heart of the matter to every Coding Pirates department and activity
- **Technological engagement, empowerment and emancipation**
  - Promoting an approach characterized by citizenship, self-efficacy, technological courage, ideation, open-endedness, adaptability, design competence, inquiry, passion and futuremaking through building competence and scaffolding open formation through inviting for engaging, empowering and emancipatory interaction and experience with technology are main objectives of every Coding Pirates department and activity
- **Technological community and participatory culture**
  - Creating a culture characterized by co-creation, knowledge sharing, open source, dialogue, democracy, networking, societal change, proactive participation and cross-fertilization between research, education, business, entrepreneurship, culture and society through utilizing technology are the broader aim of every Coding Pirates department and activity

# THE CODING PIRATES VISION

Coding Pirates builds on participatory culture and aims for democratic participation across age, gender, culture and means. Coding Pirates is a place for playing, learning, working, making and living where everybody is welcomed and included. The Coding Pirates vision is to support and make space for technological imagination, initiative and enterprising through inviting for, supporting and promoting engagement, empowerment and emancipation.

- Coding Pirates is founded on **Maker Philosophy** and **Design Thinking** and invite children and youth to engage and take ownership of the technological development in society through technological ideation, design, changemaking and enterprising. Coding Pirates creates new dialogues and collaborations between people meeting around mutual technological projects. In Coding Pirates children, youth, adults and old construct together with other children, youth, adults and old through technological gumption, vigor and zest for life.
- Coding Pirates is founded on a culture of **democratic participatory culture**, where people through technological imagination, changemaking and futuremaking meet around exploration of and experiments with new technologies across generations, gender and capabilities. Coding Pirates seeks to proactively, through democratic participatory culture, create new possibilities and capabilities for all people, and to create collaboration, co-creation and citizenship between generations in the world.

# THE CODING PIRATES VISION

Coding Pirates build on a **value-based, vision-driven and passionate approach** to technologies, where Coding Pirates express technological curiosity, courage and agency. Coding Pirates approach technology as experience and acts and experience through hands-on interactions with technology. It is the individual Coding Pirates that are central in the creation and development of Coding Pirates. Through joint interaction with each other, technological imagination and enterprising is supported and developed.

- Coding Pirates dream of creative urge, inventiveness, community, participation, passion and agency **for, with and by** Coding Pirates through technological education construction and thinking. Coding Pirates dream of a society in which children and youth feel engagement, empowerment and emancipation through playful open-ended processes. And where they are taken seriously along with all other citizens. The processes and projects in Coding Pirates share close affinity with processes in education, research, culture, community, business and entrepreneurship.
- Coding Pirates is for everybody that has a zest for **exploration and engrossment** with technologies through a IT-creative, -curious and open-ended approach. Coding Pirates creates a place for people to develop their inner inventor, partake in playful communities and feel that they belong and matter with technology. Coding Pirates are changemakers and futuremakers within and without.