Opportunities for action (affordances) and learning in Norwegian Forest/Nature Kindergarten: inspirations, reflections and recommendations



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Research Question and Objectives



What are the potentials and limitations of **Forest/Nature** Kindergarten as an effective learning contexts?

1. co-construct scientific knowledge about the articulation of exterior, nature and interior educational contexts

> 2. to observe and understand the action opportunities and learning experiences of children in these contexts

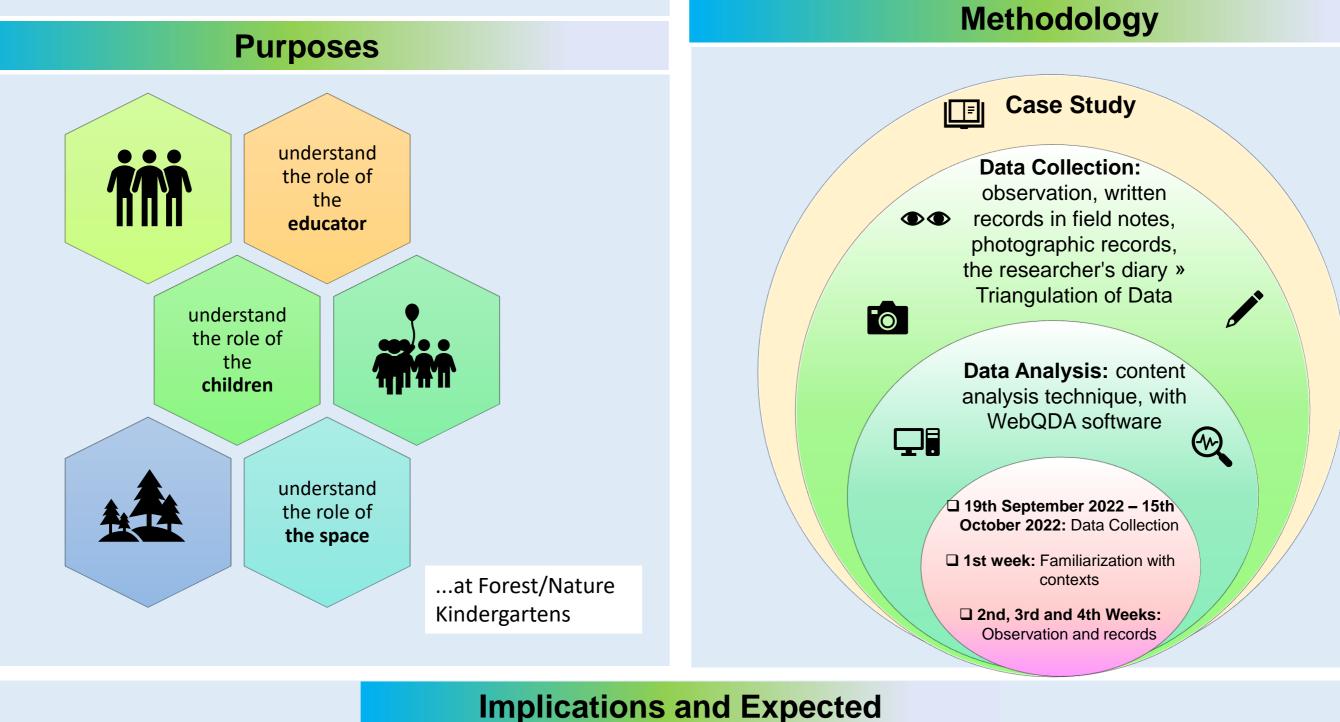
> > 3. to learn about the educational principles (in action) of Forest/Nature Kindergarten

Ethical Considerations

- ✓ Authorizations and Informed Consent of the study participants (children will be asked for informed consent verbally and in a relaxed and friendly environment)
- ✓ Participants will have the right to **anonymity** through pseudonymization and data confidentiality, as well as the right to withdraw from the study at any stage of the project without any inconvenience
- ✓ The data will be stored in a secure, anonymized and confidential way

 \checkmark The educational contexts and the pedagogical principles and methodological options that underlie them will be understood and respected in an equitable and impartial manner, with the legitimacy of the diversity of methodologies, activities and educational strategies

Accordance with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNICEF, 2019) and the Ethical Code of the European Early Childhood Education Research Association (EECERA).



Contributions

- © to deepen the **theoretical framework** of the doctoral thesis in progress
- © foster a critical and reflexive spirit in the analysis and discussion of the results of the doctoral thesis in progress
- contact with experts in the field, encouraging discussion, reflection and questioning on the theme under study \bigcirc

© produce scientific knowledge in the area, through the publication of an empirical article, as a product/result of this short project/work plan in an international context