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Responsive Cities

Responsive Cities allow the direct engagement of citizens in the planning and management of their present and future environment, enabled by the advancement of good governance and progress in information and communication technology. We present examples of cities from the US, Asia and Europe that are on the verge to become responsive. We show similarities and differences between their starting positions and their approaches.

Dynamic planning and citizen integration differentiate the Responsive City from the Smart City: cities become first smart and then responsive. The ICT industry developed the Smart Cities concept as an opportunity to contribute to the improvement of city safety and management. Data for the Responsive City come from smart buildings, smart infrastructure and other smart environments. Those are human made structures that are monitored, metered, networked and controlled in areas of interest to the owners, builders and managers.