# Research Building Blocks For Intelligent Infrastructure: Convergent Systems



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### Intelligent Infrastructure

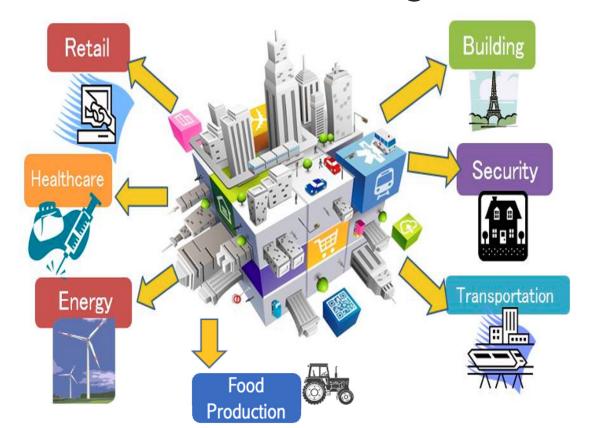
Embedding sensing, computing, and communications into our physical infrastructure





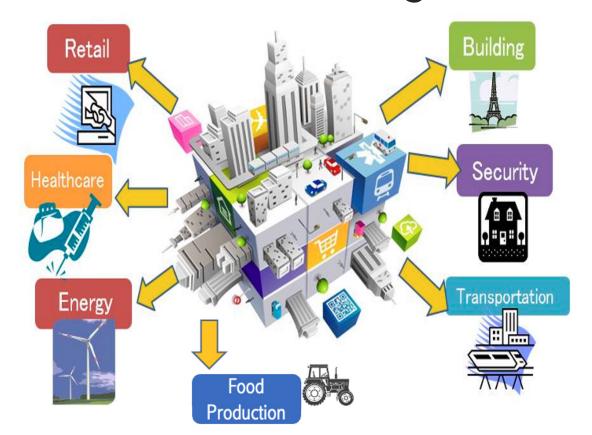






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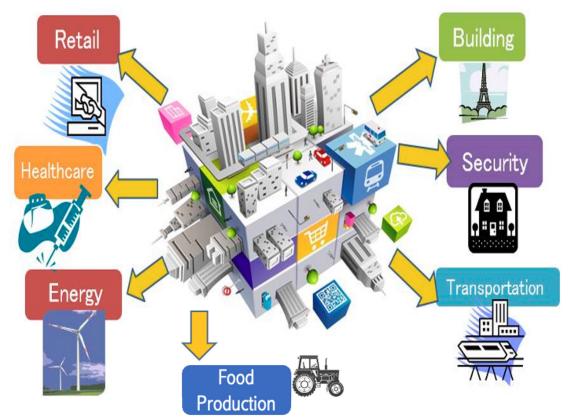




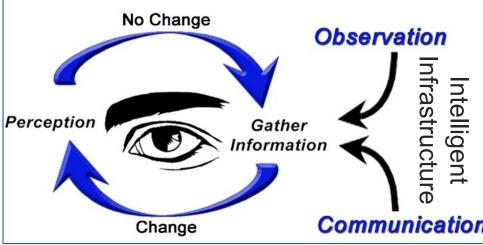
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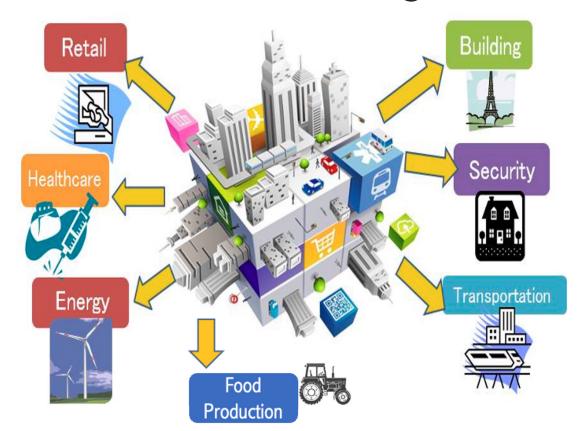




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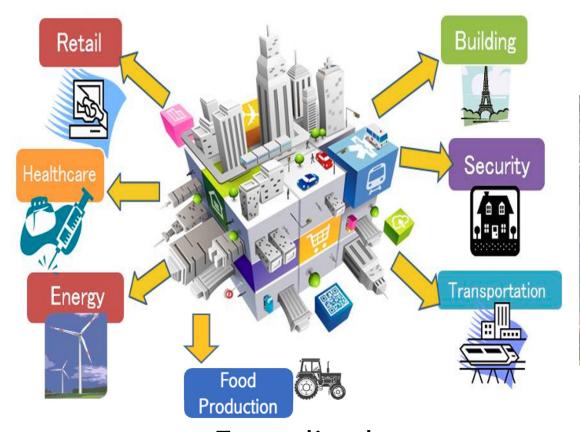




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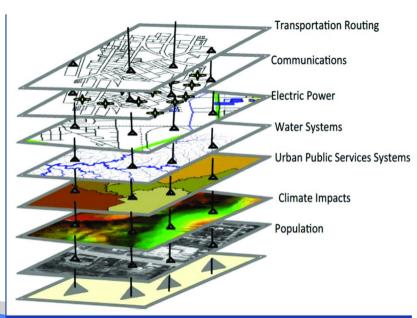
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**Smart Grid** 







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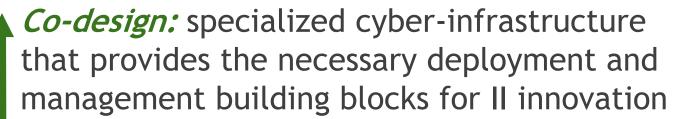
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