

# Enabling Environmental Sustainability Through Cloud Computing

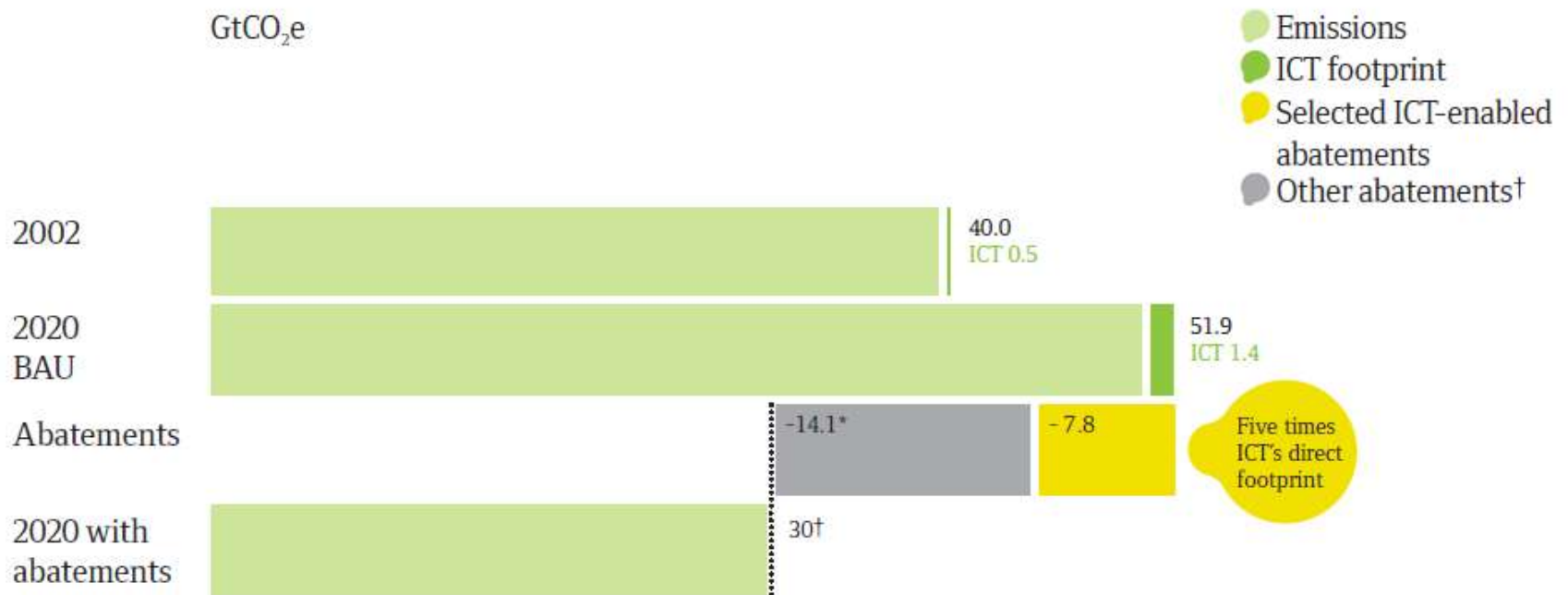
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**ITU GREEN STANDARDS WEEK**

# SMART 2020 REPORT

***40% of CO<sub>2</sub> will be removed by 2020 if existing technology is used today!***

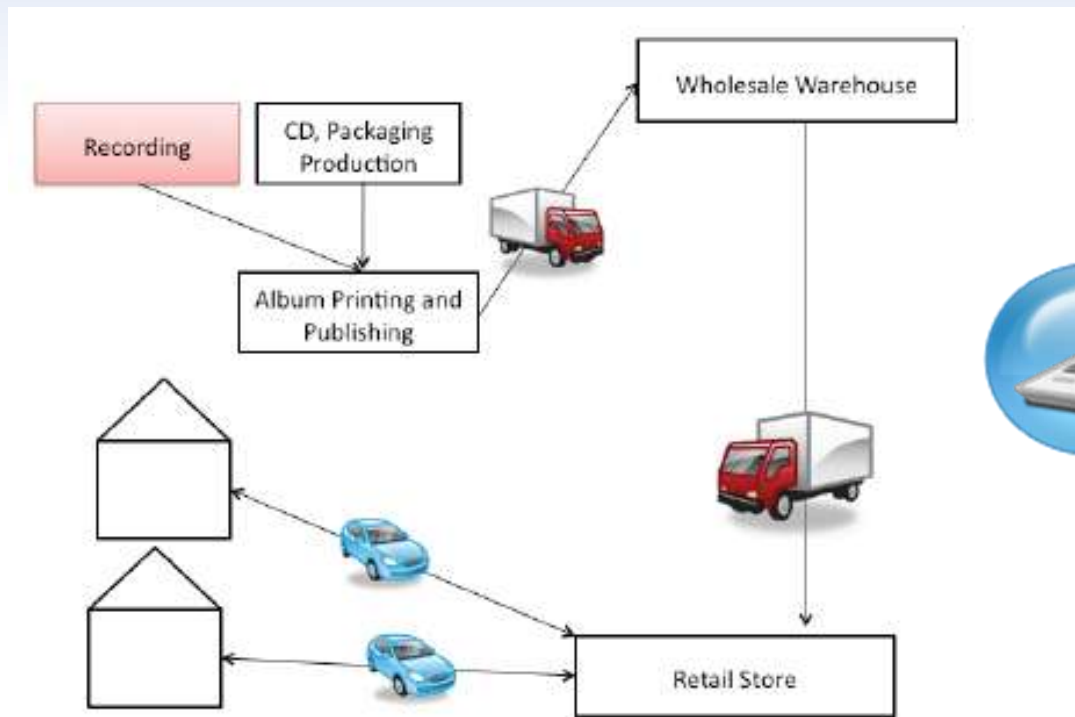
Fig. 1 ICT impact: The global footprint and the enabling effect



\* For example, avoided deforestation, wind power or biofuels.

# Cloud computing case study: music delivery

Carnegie Mellon University and Stanford University, found that buying an album digitally reduces carbon dioxide emissions by 40 to 80 percent relative to a best-case scenario for purchasing a CD.



# Reducing e-waste



**Result of decades-old practice of overbuilding computer systems.**

**Cloud offers what you need when you need it.**

# Microsoft Scope 3: 1/3 of CO2

- Microsoft Travel estimates that employees avoided flying more than 100million miles in the past fiscal year, saving 17,000 mtCO2. Microsoft has a commitment of reducing our own carbon footprint by 30% by 2012,
- Microsoft UK reduced air travel by 21% since 2007 verified by the Carbon Trust Standard in April 2010. We enabled this shift largely by using technology to replace and supplement travel and a flexible work policy which 90% of our staff take advantage of unified communications, web and videoconferencing





● SELECT A COUNTRY



● SELECT A TYPE OF ENTERPRISE



● SELECT THE PERCENTAGE OF ENTERPRISES  
ADOPTING CLOUD COMPUTING TECHNOLOGY  
SLIDE YOUR FINGER ON THE WHITE BAR

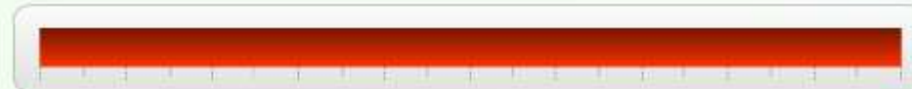


IF **80% OF ALL ENTERPRISES** WITHIN **ALL COUNTRIES** PROVISIONED THEIR EMPLOYEES WITH EMAIL, CUSTOMER RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT AND GROUPWARE SOLUTIONS THROUGH CLOUD COMPUTING...

THEN **1.518.214** TONNES OF CO2 COULD BE SAVED.

**ANNUAL CARBON EMISSIONS**  
ON-PREMISE COMPUTING

**2.098.240** TONNES



**FOR 80% ADOPTION IN CLOUD COMPUTING**

**1.518.214** TONNES

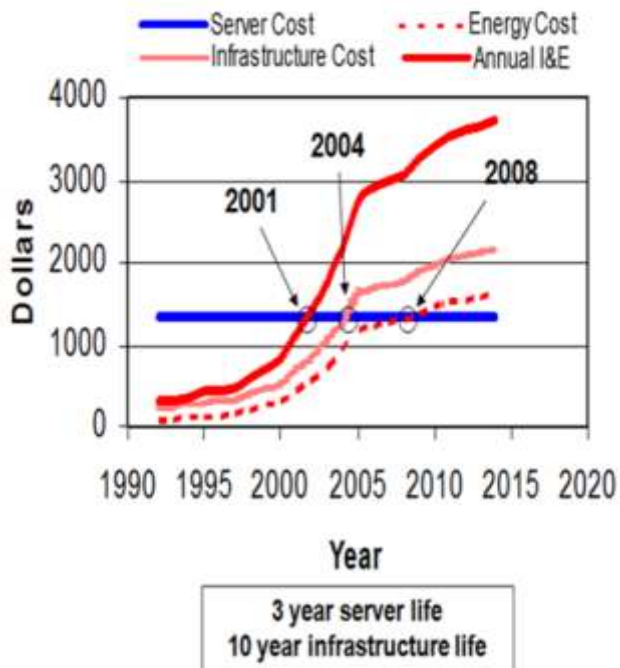
**ANNUAL CARBON EMISSIONS SAVED WITH CLOUD COMPUTING**



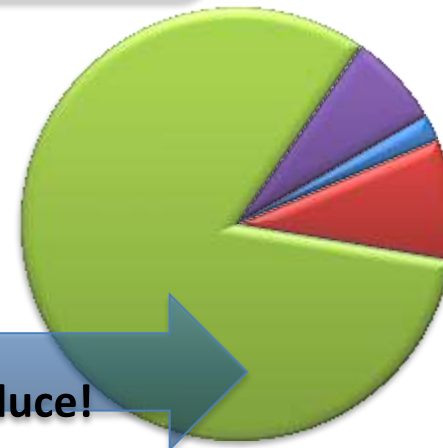
→ **593.052**  **OFF THE ROAD**

# Unsustainable Business Model

Annual Amortized Costs in the Data Center for a 1U Server



Where the costs are:  
>80% scale with power  
<10% scale with space



Reduce!







# Traditional Datacenter Builds



**Monolithic design  
and construction  
effort**

Typical large datacenter = 11 football fields

**Huge \$\$\$**

Typical construction costs = \$10M to \$15M  
per Megawatt

**Long lead time**

18 to 24 months from design to online

# Chicago Datacenter

- \$500M+ investment
- 700,000+ square feet
- 60 MW Total Critical Power
- 3400 tons of steel
- 190 miles of conduit
- 2400 tons of copper
- 26,000 cubic yards of concrete
- 7.5 miles of chilled water piping





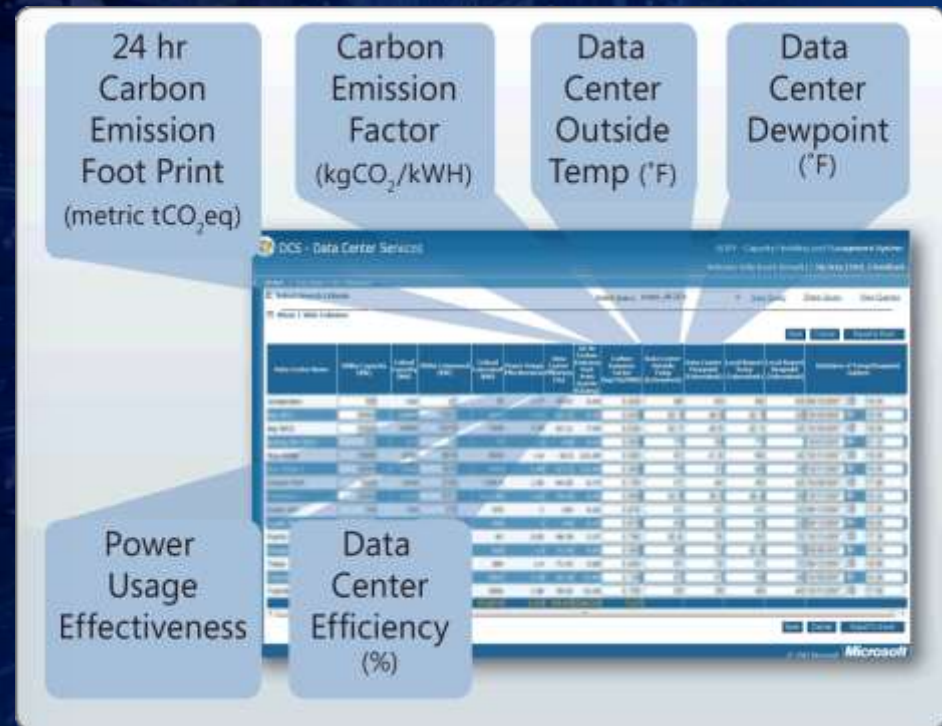
# SCRY: Monitoring and Measuring... the Foundation of Sustainability

Microsoft has been tracking power, carbon and water usage for years

## Microsoft's SCRY management tool

- Used for continuous improvement
- Constantly evolving
- Used for billing and chargebacks
- Others are duplicating

*Power Usage Effectiveness (PUE)*  
*Carbon Usage Effectiveness (CUE)*  
*Water Usage Effectiveness (WUE)*





# Microsoft's Sustainability Evolution

1989-2005

## Generation 1



*Colocation*



**Server**

*Capacity  
~2 PUE  
20 year Technology*

2007

## Generation 2



*Density*



**Rack**

*Density and  
Deployment  
1.4 – 1.6 PUE  
Minimized Resource  
Impact*

2008

## Generation 3



*Containers*



**Containers**

*Scalability and  
Sustainability  
1.2-1.5 PUE  
Air & Water  
Economization  
Differentiated SLAs*

2010+

## Generation 4



*Modular*



**ITPAC**

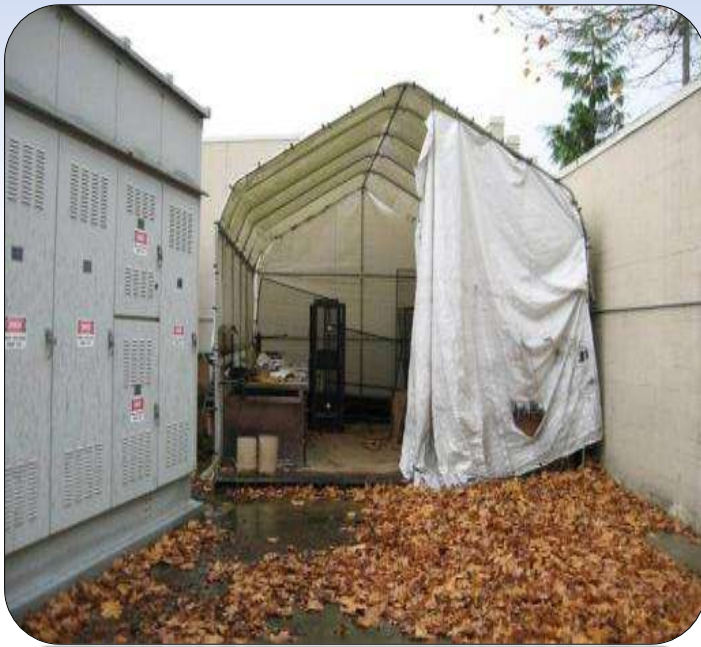
*(Pre-Assembled  
Components)  
Reduced Carbon,  
Rightsized  
1.05-1.20 PUE  
Faster Time to Market*

The biggest opportunities  
are now emerging...



# Driving to a Simplified Datacenter

From Science Project



To Reality

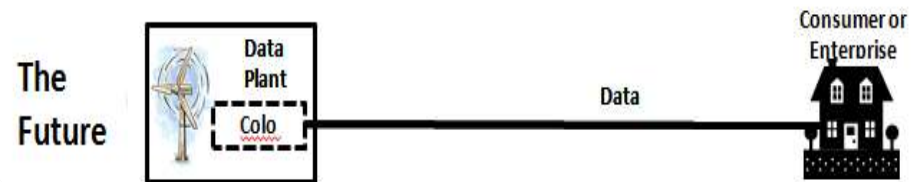
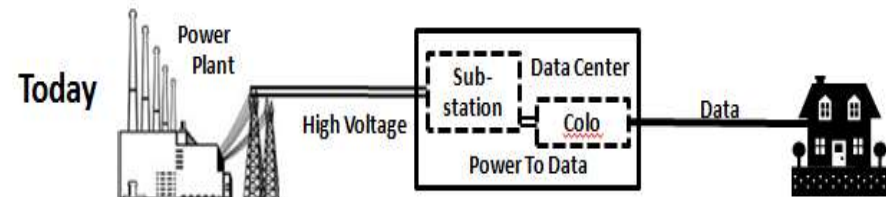
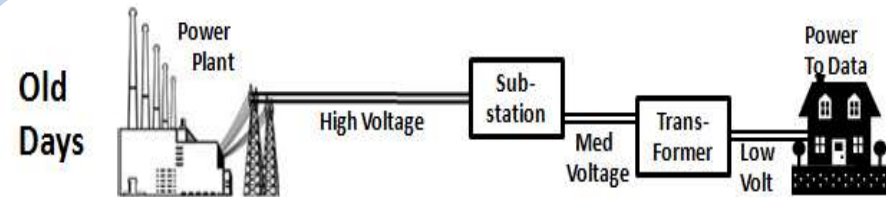


*ITPACs : built recycled materials. PUE 1.05 – 1.20. Garden hose of water*



# Opportunities When We Look at Data Differently

- **Data is the next form of energy...**
- **Distribute data instead of electricity...**
- **Store data instead of electricity**



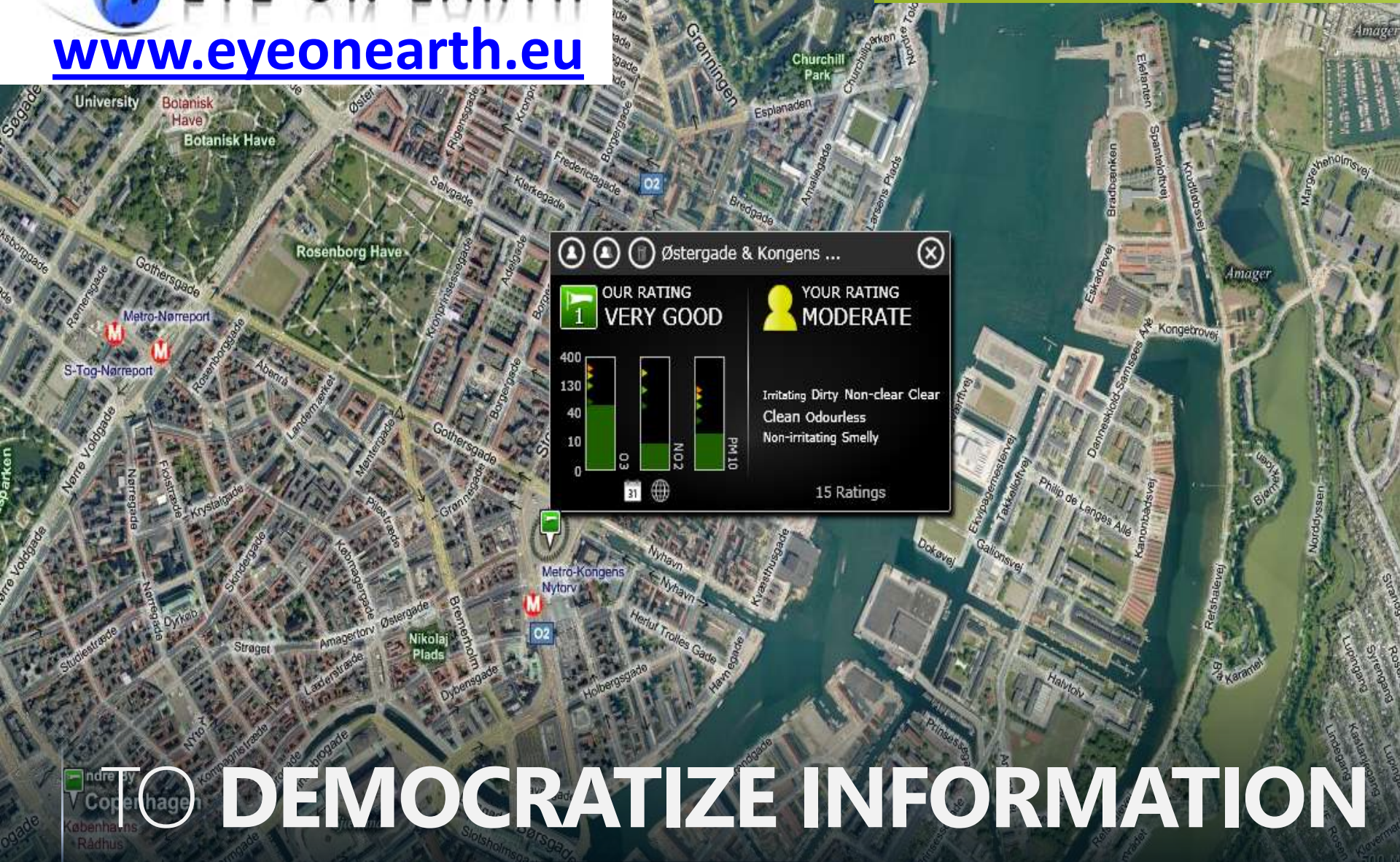




# EYE ON EARTH

[www.eyearth.eu](http://www.eyearth.eu)

European Environment Agency



# DEMOCRATIZE INFORMATION

STATIONS more info...

AIR STATIONS WATER STATIONS





soak

Farm Overview

Morning Star

Action Toolbox

New Sector

View Reports

System Options

**INVENTING** THE FUTURE

150 m



# Microsoft's Best Practices for Sustainability

## Best Practices for Efficiency

*(Published February 2008)*

1. Engineer the datacenter
2. Optimize holistically
3. Optimize provisioning
4. Monitor & control real time
5. Drive Efficiency Culture
6. Measure PUE
7. Control Temp & Airflow
8. Eliminate the mixing
9. Use economizers
10. Share with Industry

## Top 10 Business Practices

*(Published April 2009)*

1. Drive goals with incentives
2. Focus on resource utilization
3. Use virtualization
4. Quality with compliance
5. Embrace change management
6. Understand application workloads
7. Rightsize your servers
8. Evaluate and test servers
9. Limit number of SKUs
10. Use competitive bids

# Summary of Resources

- Global Foundation Services  
[www.globalfoundationservices.com](http://www.globalfoundationservices.com)
- Microsoft's Datacenter Team Blog  
<http://blogs.technet.com/msdatacenters>



# Microsoft Datacenter Scale

Microsoft has more than 10 and less than 100 DCs worldwide



## Multiple global CDN locations

Quincy, Washington	27MW	100% Hydro power
San Antonio, Texas	27MW	Recycled water for cooling
Chicago, Illinois	Up to 60MW	Water side economization, Containers
Dublin, Ireland	Up to 50MW	Outside air cooling, POCs

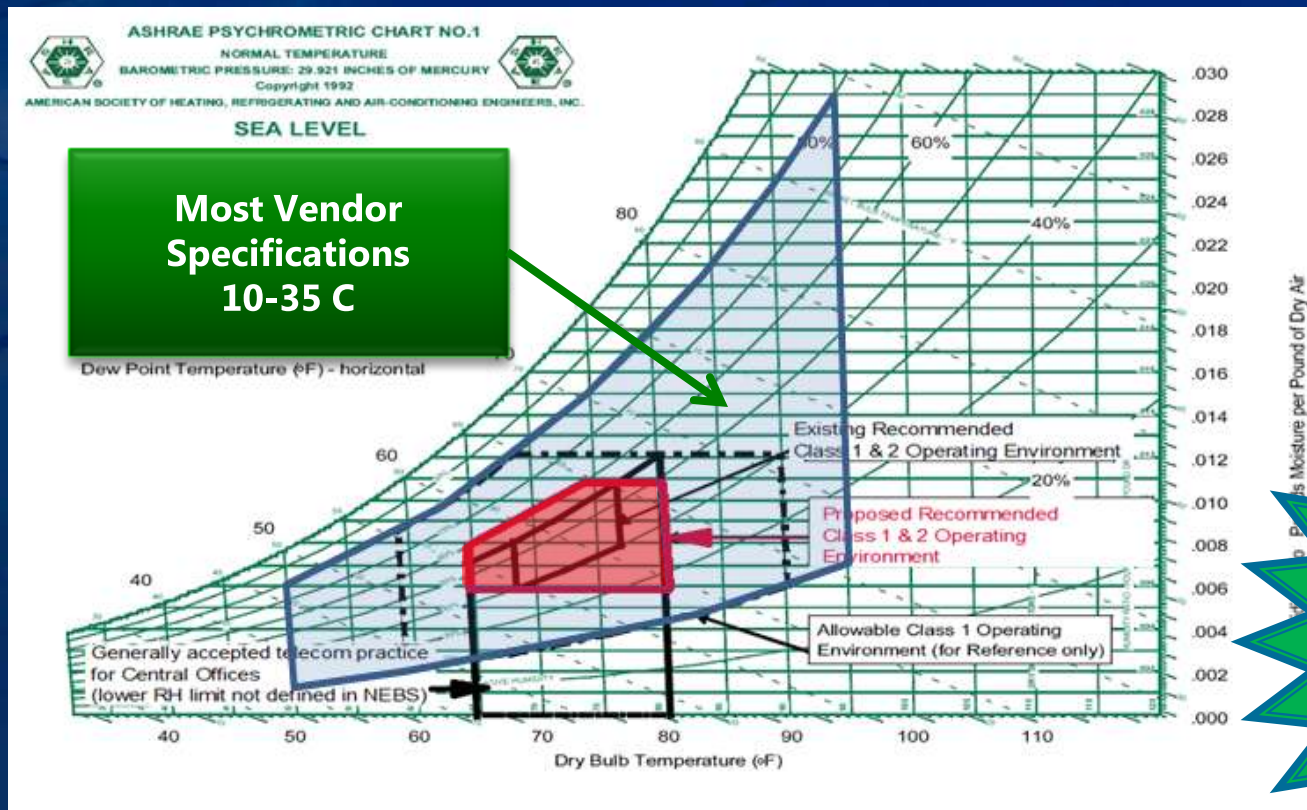
*"Datacenters have become as vital to the functioning of society as power stations."*

**The Economist**



# Elevated Server Inlet Temperatures

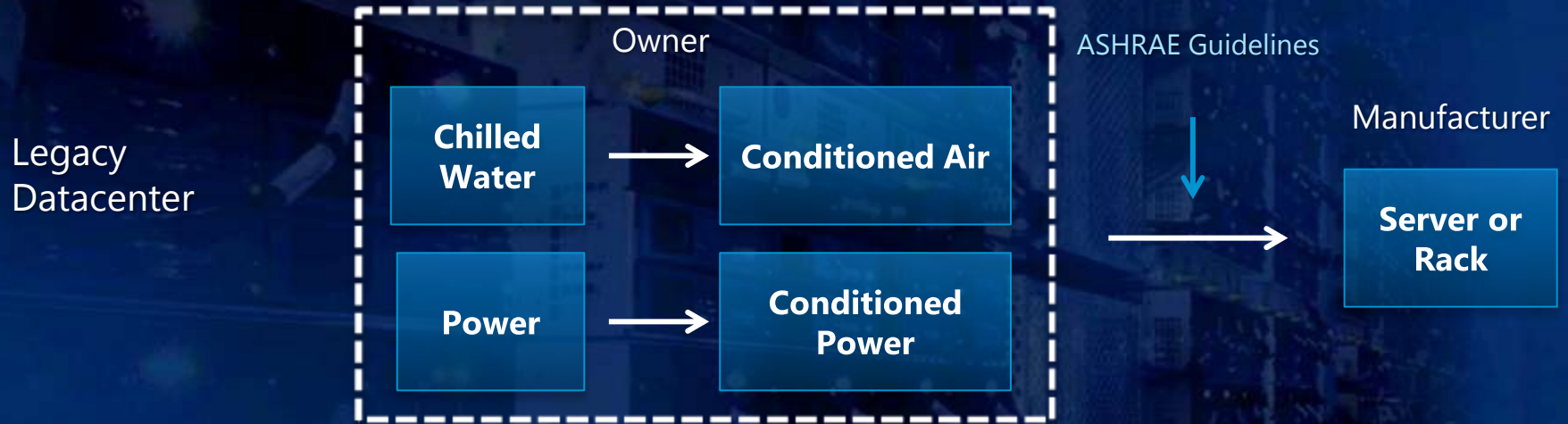
- ASHRAE Recommended: 18 – 26C / 40 – 60% RH
- Vendor Allowable: 10 – 35C / 20 – 80% RH



Microsoft is targeting operational ranges to be consistent with vendor spec. This would enable Chiller-less datacenters in our RFPs

# Standardization and Commoditization

Key for driving cost down and efficiency up!



Commoditized Datacenter

