Participatory Governance for Good Smart City: Focusing on Implications from Gentrification for Achieving the SDGs

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What is “Good” Smart City?
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What are the lessons and implications from gentrification cases that can be applied to smart cities?
Lessons from Gentrification
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Problems of Gentrification

- Displacement of the local residents
- Lack of access to social infrastructure
- Increase in income inequality

This is due to the lack of governance system for citizens to participate and represent their needs.
Lessons from Gentrification

“Mediocre” or “Failed”

Lack of Participation

“Good”

Participatory Governance
Lessons from Gentrification

Case 1: Regeneration of Sewoon Shopping Center District, Seoul

Community-Building
Capacity Development
Collaborative Projects
Lessons from Gentrification

Case 2: Regeneration of East Manchester

- Manchester City Council
- Manchester Partnership
- New East Manchester Ltd.
- Beacons Partnership
Importance of Participatory Governance
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- Interaction between different stakeholders
- Engagement & inclusion of the vulnerable groups
- Reflecting the real need for effective implementation

Participation as a process of empowerment
Applying the Lessons to Building “Good” Smart City
“Good” Smart Cities

Possible Problems in Building Smart City

- The problem of gentrification may appear in the process of building smart city as well.
- Marginalizing and negatively affecting the vulnerable groups.
“Good” Smart Cities

Vulnerable Groups in Smart City

- People with lack of access to the ICT infrastructure
- Aged people
- Less-educated group
- The disabled
- Low-income group

It is important to engage these vulnerable groups from the beginning of the smart city planning process through participatory governance
“Good” Smart City & Achieving the SDGs
“Good” Smart Cities & SDGs
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Leaving No One Behind
Policy Recommendations
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- The result shape of smart city will depend on participatory governance

- Reflecting the needs of the vulnerable groups from the beginning stage

- Providing necessary measures to ensure that the vulnerable groups – despite their vulnerability – are also the beneficiary of smart city
Policy Recommendations

- In this way, smart city leads to...

  Citizen Empowerment → Community-Building → Society with a Human Face
“Late comer could be the forerunner if prepare well.”

Gerschenkron Hypothesis
Thank you

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