

ITU Green standards week

Innovating today for a sustainable tomorrow

Leveraging ICT in smart sustainable cities

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# LEVERAGING ICT IN SMART SUSTAINABLE CITIES





# THE URBANIZATION TREND ...AND ITS CHALLENGES

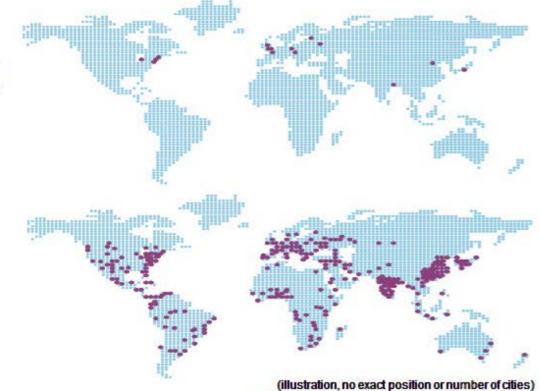


• 1900

2010

442 cities

16 cities of one million or more



Billions

Our future existence as a species is, inevitably, an urban one"

World Policy Journal

URBAN
POPULATION

RURAL
POPULATION

2010

2000

2020

2030

2040 2050

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division





















Source: National Geographic, December 2011







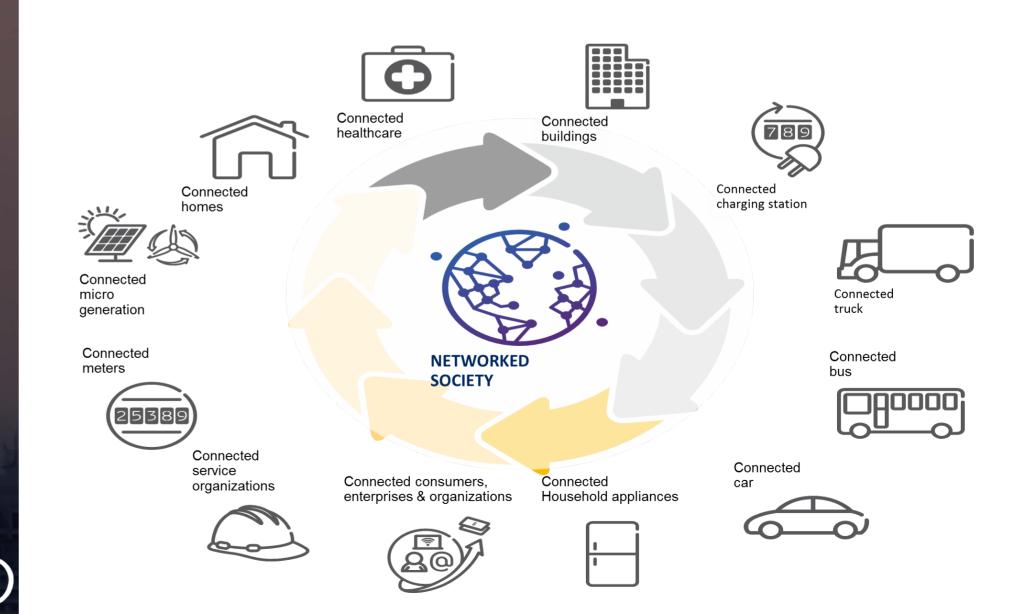
### SHAPING SUSTAINABLE CITIES...



When people connect, their lives change, when everything connect the world changes \$\cap{\iii}\$



## ...IN THE NETWORKED SOCIETY



# FINDING THE WAY TO SUSTAINABLE CITIES





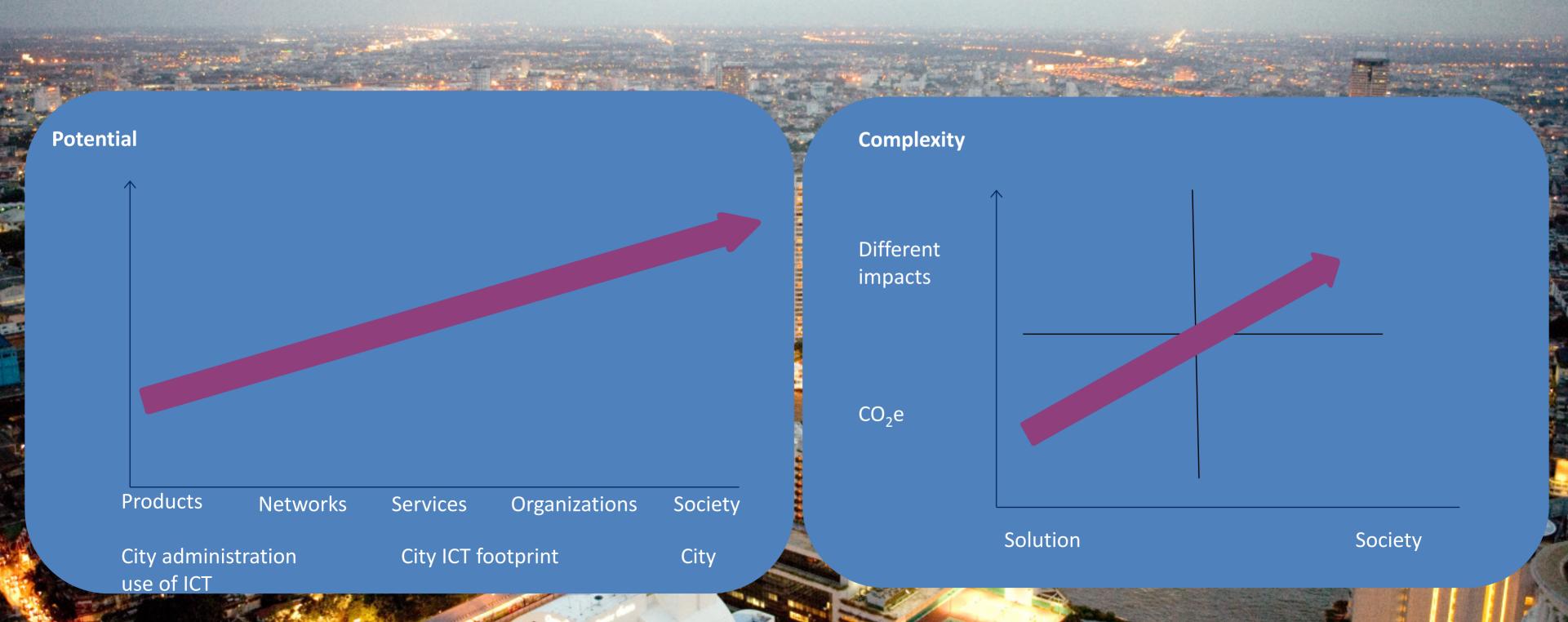
Time to share results

Results are complex – as reality is complex

Time to make use of methodologies

### TOWARDS A WIDER PERSPECTIVE \$

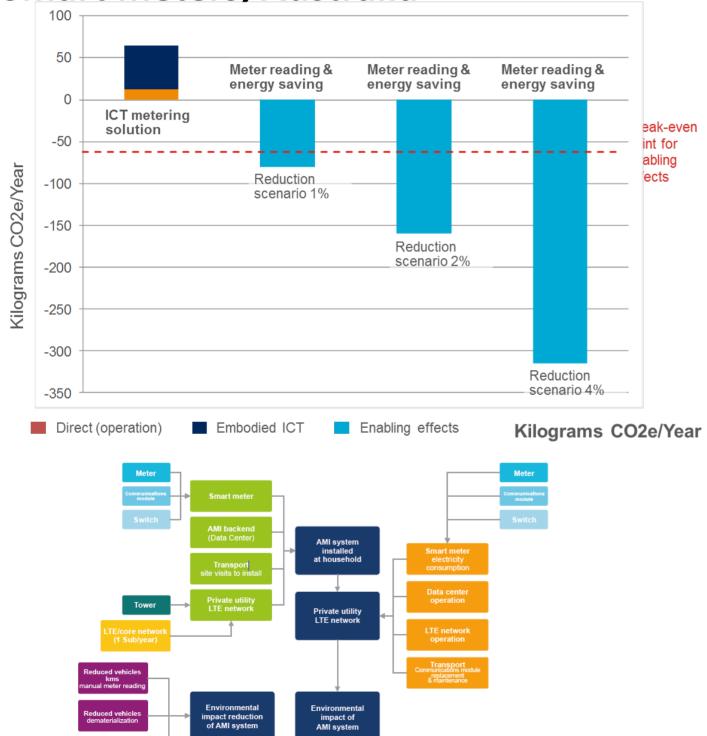




### SUSTAINABLE CITY SOLUTIONS \$ CASE STUDIES

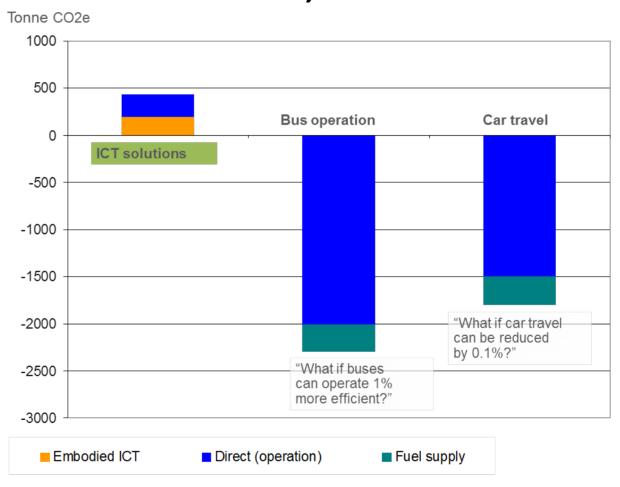


#### **Smart meters. Australia**



System flowchart of LCA models

#### **Connected buses, Brazil**



#### Case study: Connected buses

Potential reduction scenarios:

- if the bus operation can be made 1 percent more efficient
- if car travel can be reduced by 0.1 percent
- 1:30 if car travel can be reduced by 1 percent

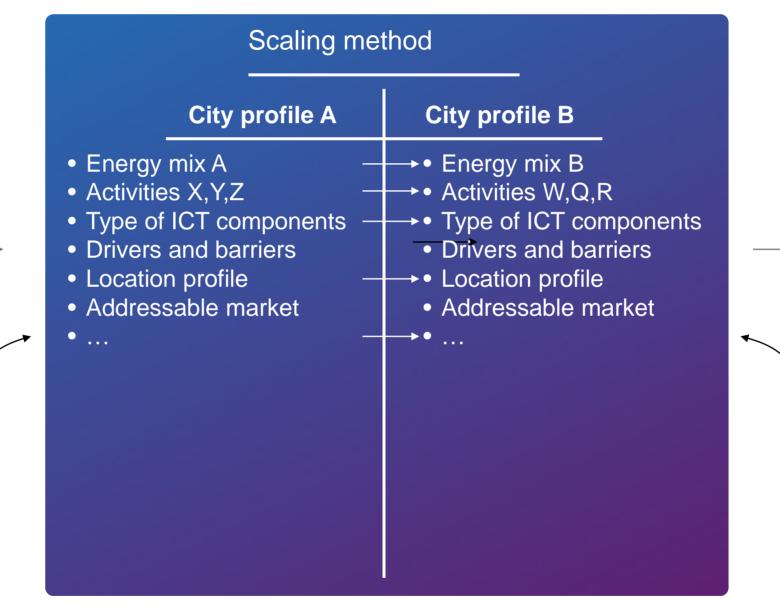
# SHARING BEST PRACTICES THE METHODOLOGY CHALLENGES



Assessment of ICT solution in City A

Assessment parameters:

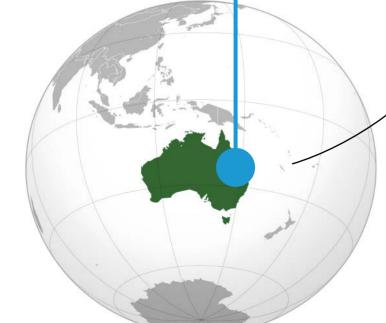
- •ICT solution components life cycle impacts
- Changed activities due to solution
- •Environmental, social and economic effects
- •Energy mix in geographic area



Results transferred to City B

Impacts e.g. resource depletion, kWh, CO<sub>2</sub>

City B Setting and profile



City A Setting and profile

**Impact** 

# COLLABORATION FOR SMART SUSTAINABLE CITIES



#### The data gap:

ICT solutions are reducing the climate impact of the the ICT sector – what are the current benefits in other sectors?

Drivers and barriers

**Policy makers** 

A widened perspective on climate change mitigation

through ICT:

From technology potential to actual use

... identifying

the success factors

Solutions and assessments

Academia

**Companies** 

Solutions and assessments

### FURTHER READING

#### Methodology:

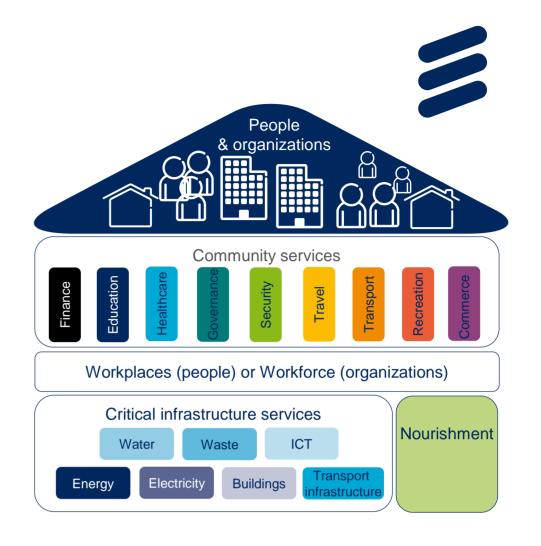
Evaluating sustainability of using ICT solutions in smart cities — methodology requirements (N. Lövehagen, A. Bondesson) <a href="http://e-collection.library.ethz.ch/eserv/eth:6558/eth-6558-01.pdf">http://e-collection.library.ethz.ch/eserv/eth:6558/eth-6558-01.pdf</a> p 181-188

#### **Case studies:**









http://www.ericsson.com/thecompany/sustainability\_corporateresponsibility/enabling\_a\_low\_carbon\_economy http://www.ericsson.com/thinkingahead/networked\_society/city-life

### SUMMARY



- Cities as prime motors for creating the sustainable Networked Society
- Connectivity a key to manage urbanization challenges
- Life cycle assessments captures environmental potential of ICT solutions
  - Magnitudes and complexity
- The impact from drivers, barriers and rebound needs to be considered
- Time to use assessment standards to identify promising ICT solutions and to share best practices between cities
  - From non-transparent figures, what-if and use stage perspective and ICT sector focus
     ...to measurements by all sectors and a life cycle perspective
  - Don't forget the baseline
- ICT solutions offer the potential policy framework etc sets their success!



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## Thank you





