

Open APIs  
for Open  
Minds

# Data Modelling as a basis for Smart City

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.. what makes an application be “smart”?





Does this guy look really smart?

# CONTEXT MATTERS



Implementing Smart Solutions requires gathering and managing context information at large scale

# Smart Cities



**Shop**

- Location
- Business name
- Franchise
- offerings



**Citizen**

- Birthday
- Preferences
- Location
- ToDo list



**Bus**

- Location
- No. passengers
- Driver
- Licence plate

*What if ... there were  
a standard API  
for accessing  
context information?*



Existence of a Context Information Management standard brings the opportunity to share information across domains





# Boosting the local ecosystem: Entrepreneurs will benefit the opportunities of a larger market

*“We can invest on development of solutions we don’t have to adapt for each and every customer”*





# Shared context information will boost innovative services and the development of the Economy of Data



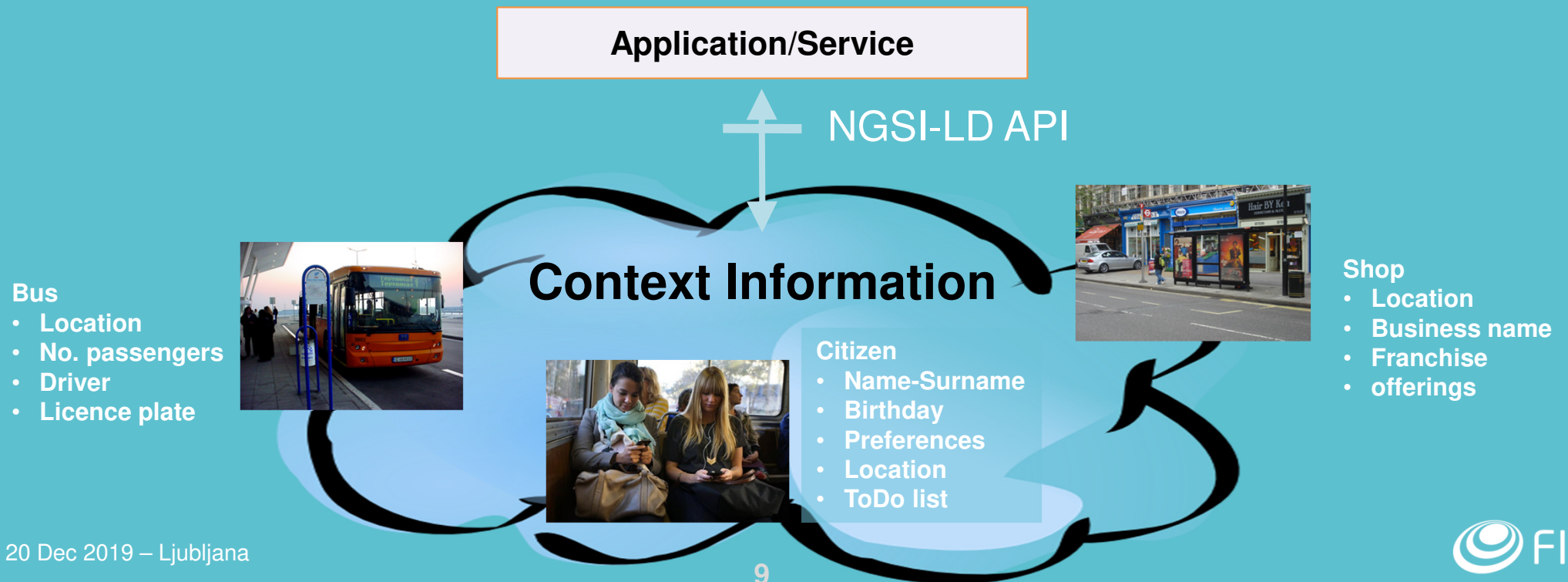
- Organizations in different domains could interchange data based on a common Context Information Management layer (**Data Models**)
- Authorization and Access Control Policies govern who can access what, when (**Sovereignty of Data**)
- Organizations may monetize the data they offer (**Economy of Data**)

# Such standard API exist: NGSI-LD!



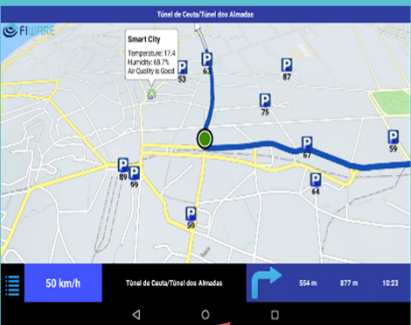
NGSI-LD an open standard by ETSI for gathering, managing and providing access to context information describing what is going on in the context of reference at the right-time

NGSI-LD is simple (any web/backend programmer gets quickly used to it) yet powerful (geo-queries, support to JSON-LD for Linked Data, extendibility, ...), and is a Restful API



# A shared context!

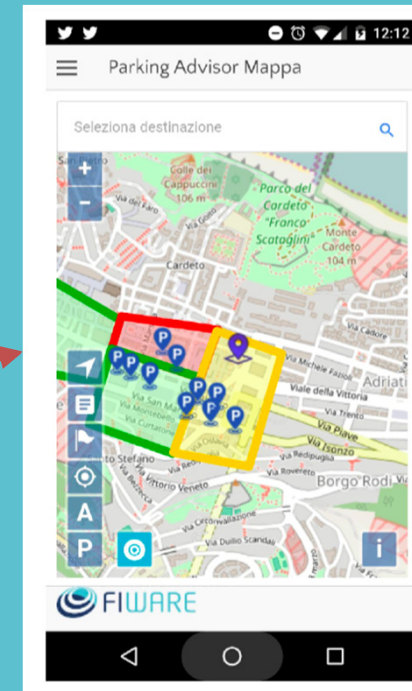
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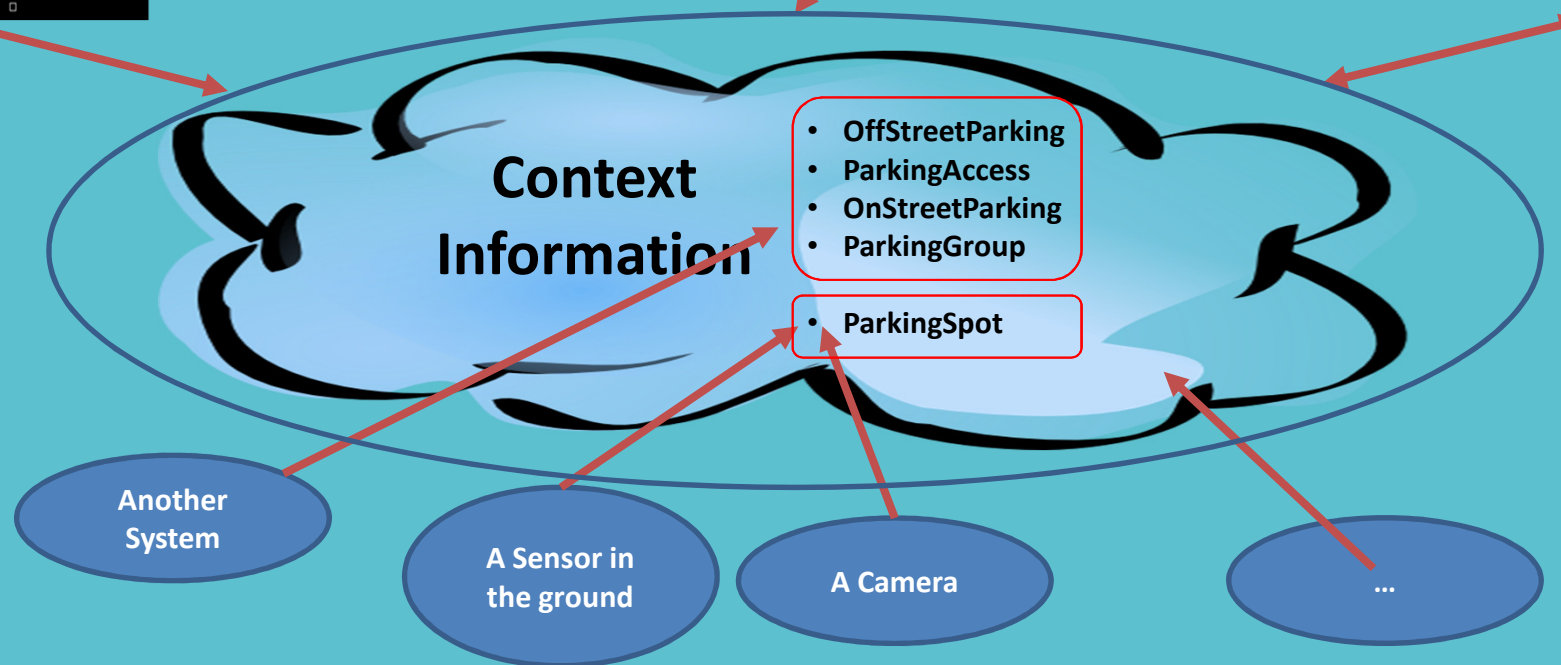
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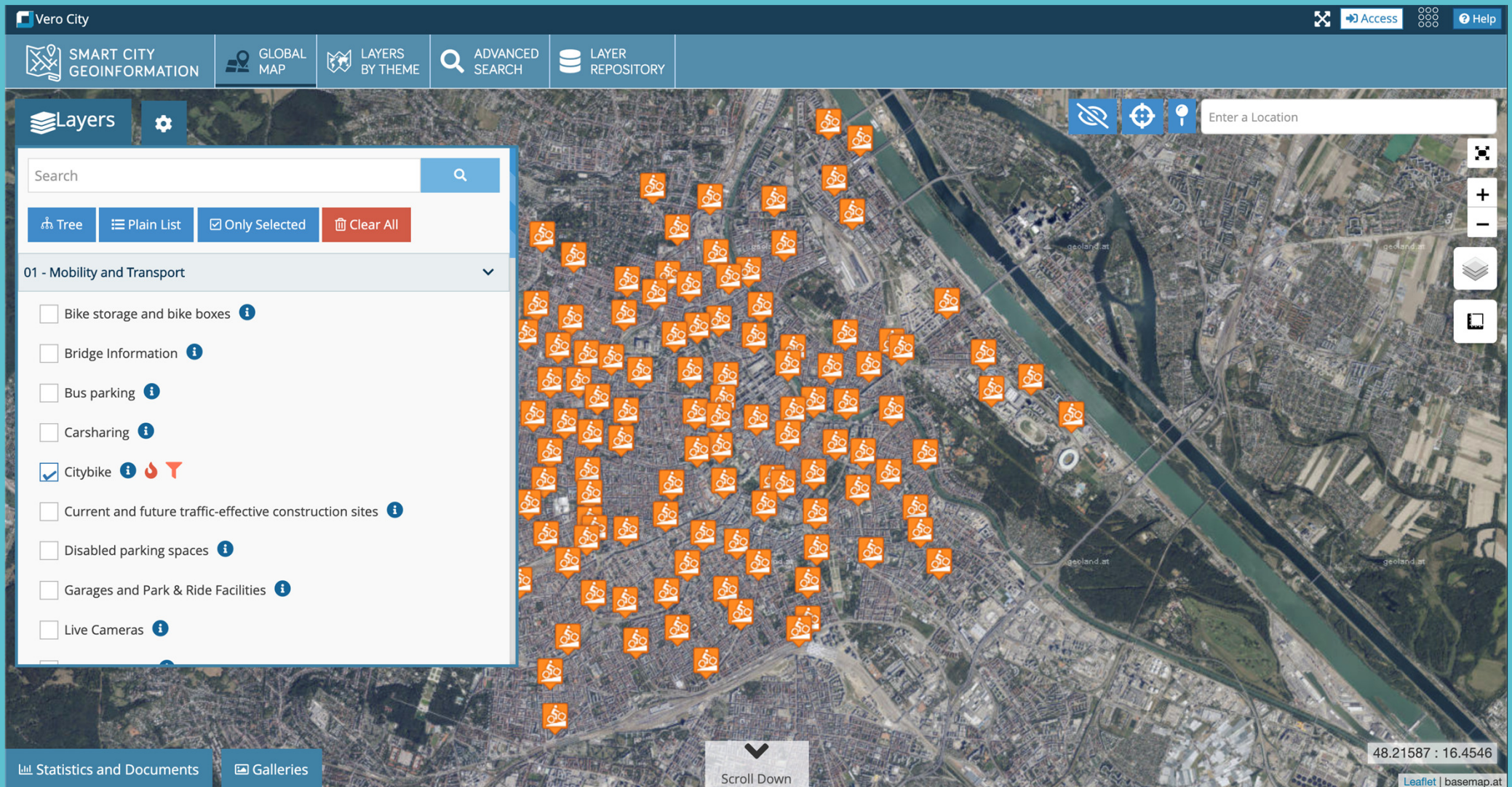


NGSI-LD





# A smart city app: <https://smartdata.wien/>





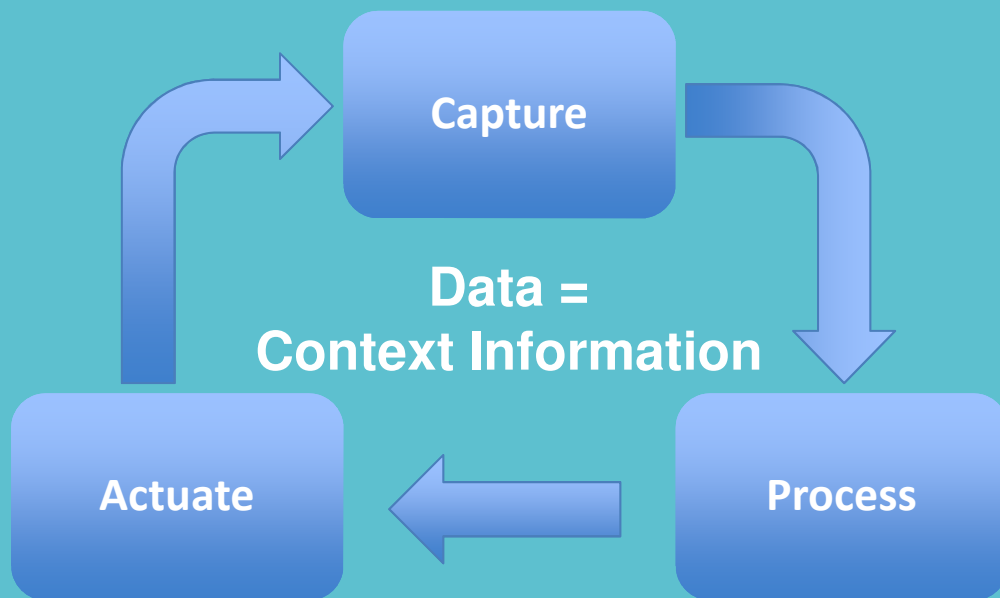


# FIWARE

Open APIs for Open Minds

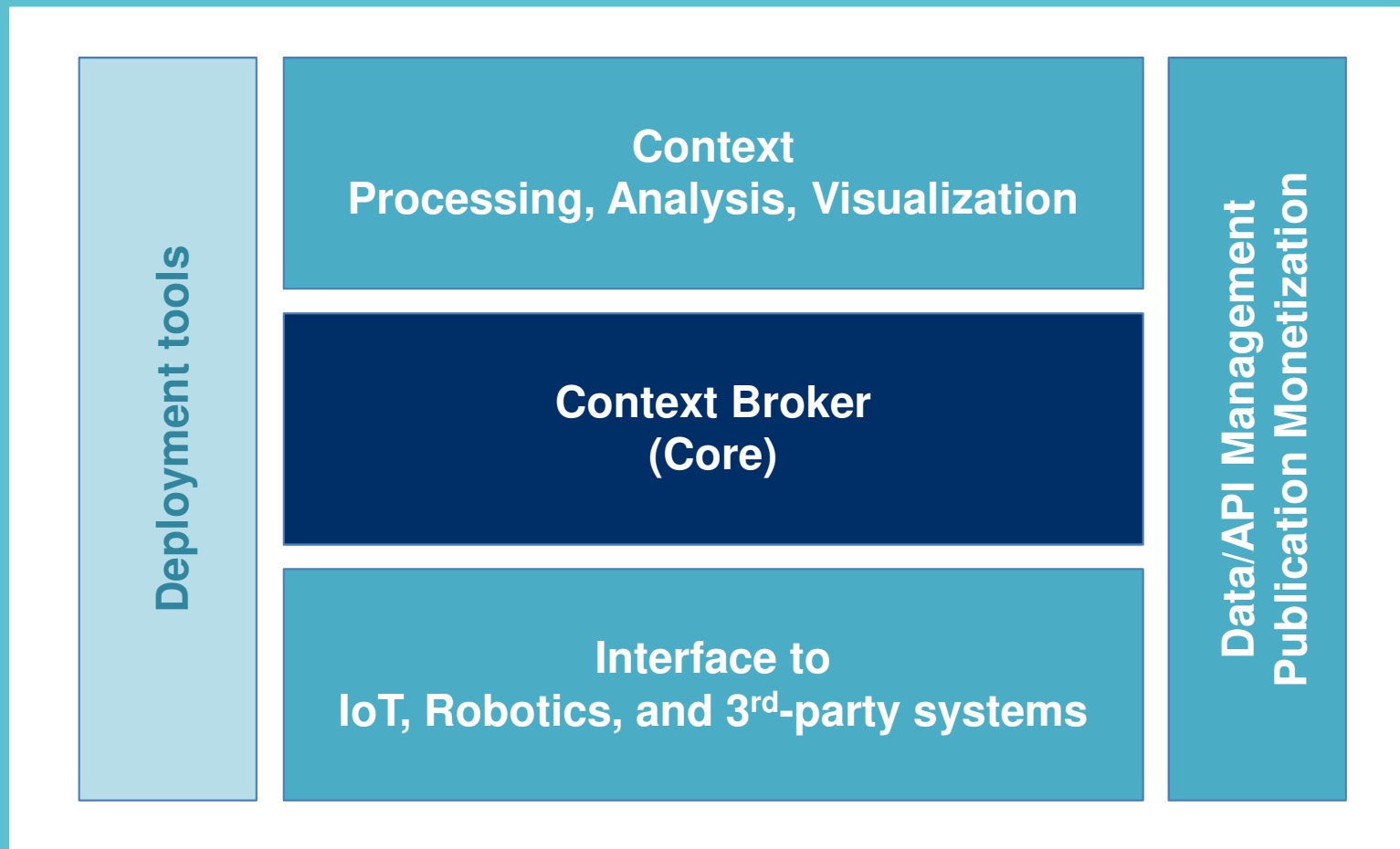
# FIWARE: The Open Source platform of choice for building smart solutions

Smart Solutions gather data from many different heterogeneous sources (including IoT) to build a “picture” of the real world and then process and analyse that information in order to implement the desired intelligent behavior (which may imply changing the real world)



CONTEXT  
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Around context information management, a lot of useful complementary FIWARE enablers can be used



# FIWARE for Smart Cities



# FIWARE: helping Smart Cities in their transformation journey



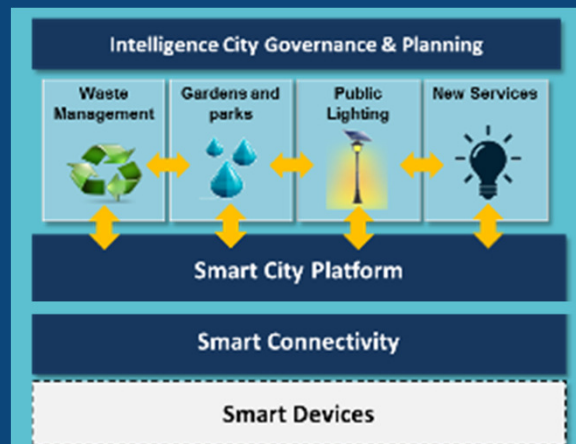
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Vertical solutions (some IoT-enabled) bringing efficiency in silos  
Historic data as open data  
Information still in vertical silos, no global picture



## Truly Smart

- Horizontal platform gathering “right-time” context info from different vertical services
- Common information models
- Smart City Governance Solutions



## Unleashing Right-time Open Data

- right-time context info published to third parties
- authorization and access control (API management)
- open innovation ecosystem



## Support to Data Economy

- city as a platform including also 3<sup>rd</sup> party data enabling innovative business models
- open and commercial data enabling multi-side markets



# Smart Cities: the start ...

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Yes!

A city may be already an  
Efficient and Open City ....

... but there is still a  
journey to travel to be  
where SMARTNESS is!

# Smart Cities: the transformation journey

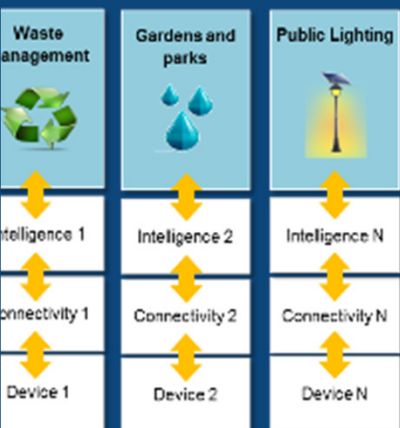
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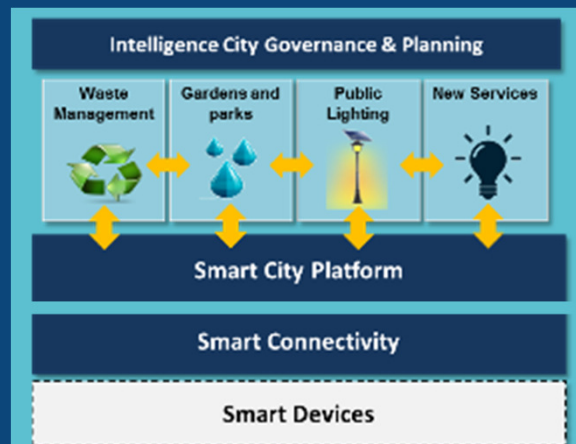
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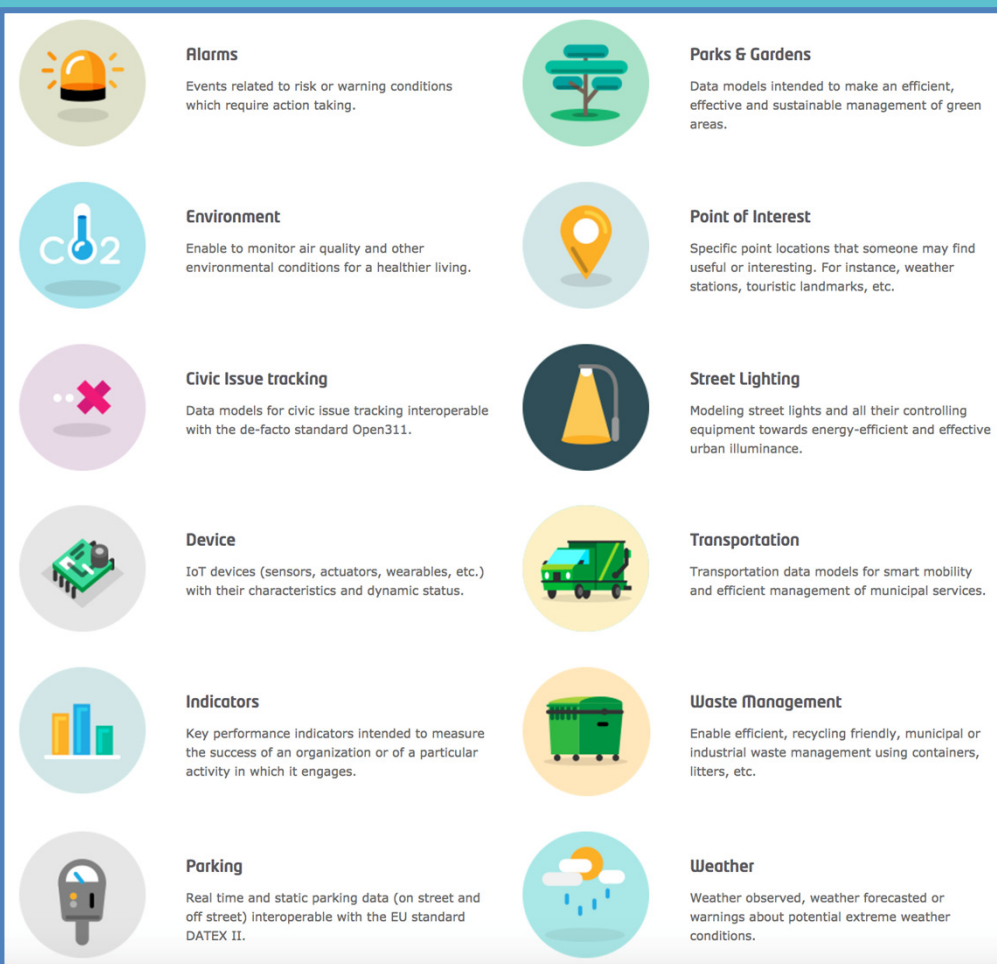


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# Common Information Models for the City ecosystem

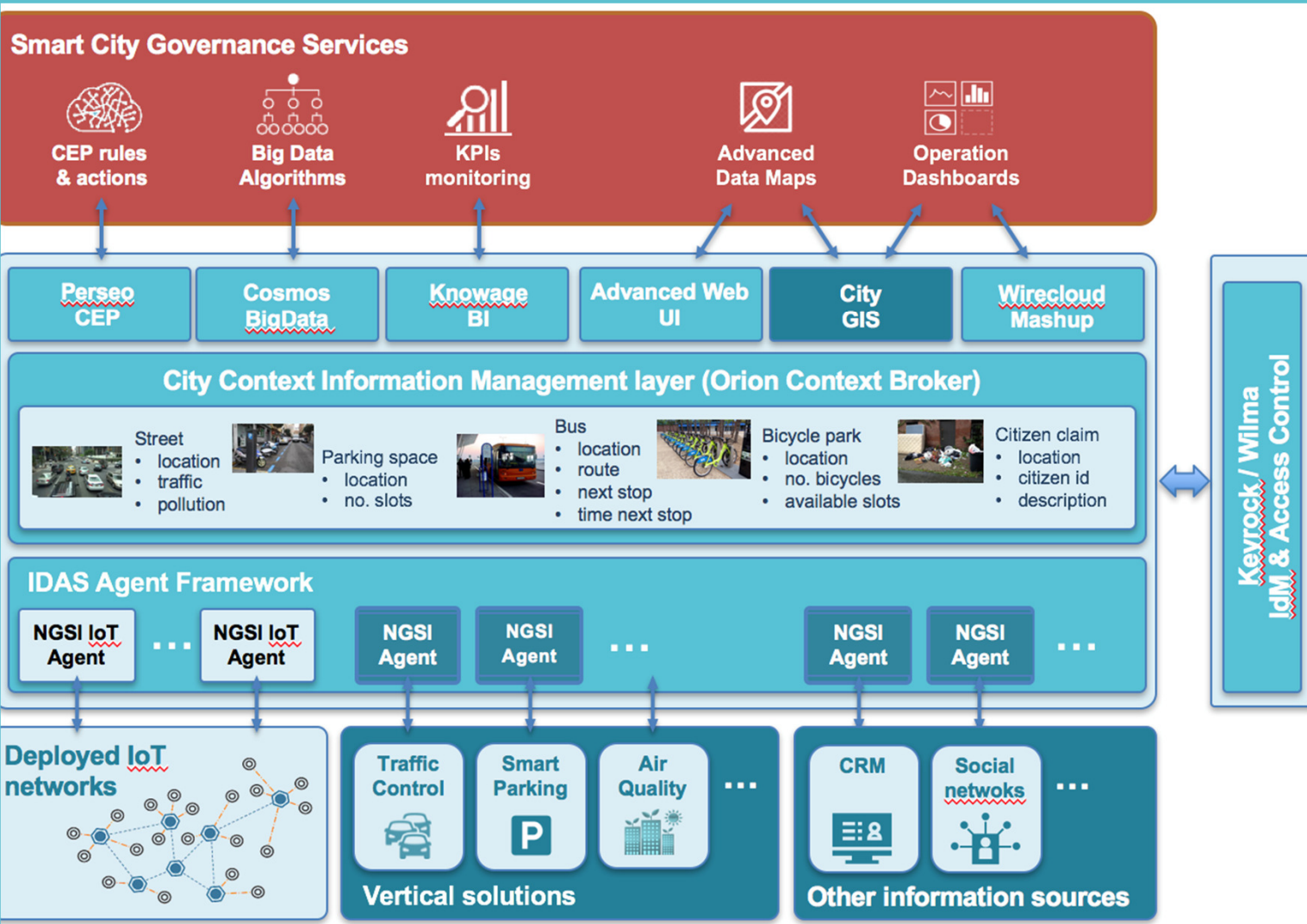


- Portable Governance Solutions
- Vertical solutions more easy to plug or replace
- Sharing of best practices between cities made easier
- Smart Cities as a market where it will be more attractive to invest

# Smart Cities Architecture by FIWARE

## Legend:

- FIWARE components
- Third party systems
- Services on top



- Breaking vertical silos, building a Context Info Management layer that provides a holistic picture of what is going on in the city
- Interoperability between verticals
- Merging data from:
  - vertical solutions
  - IoT networks
  - processing/analysis
- Bringing the enablers to process and analyze right-time and historic context data at large scale

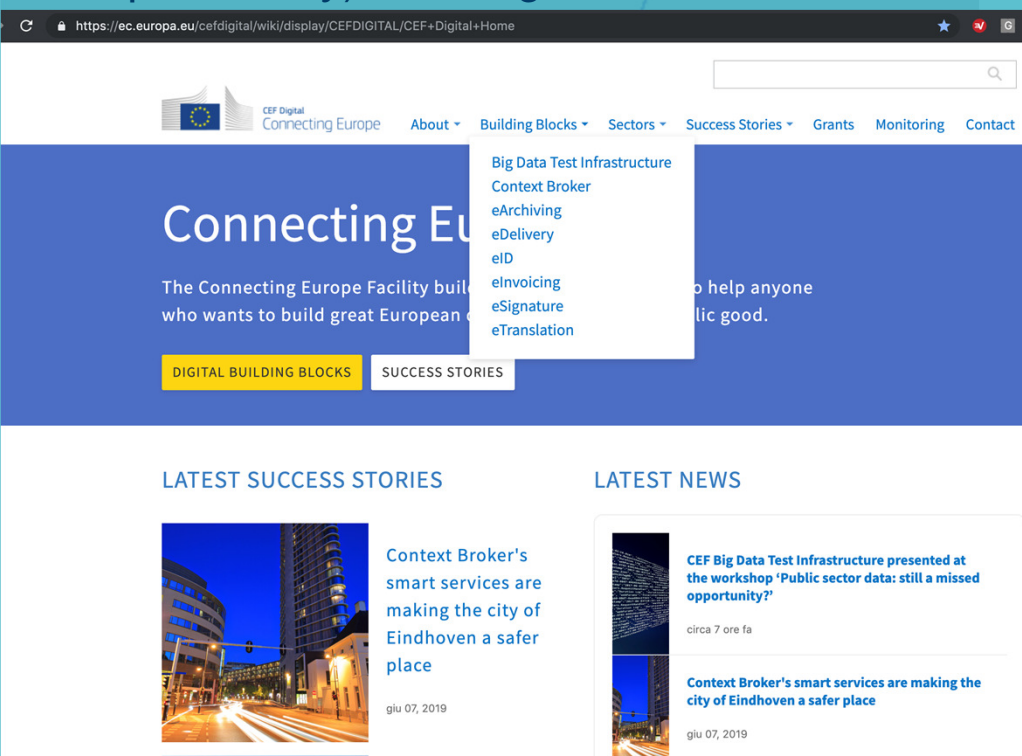


# FIWARE: a standard *de-facto* ...



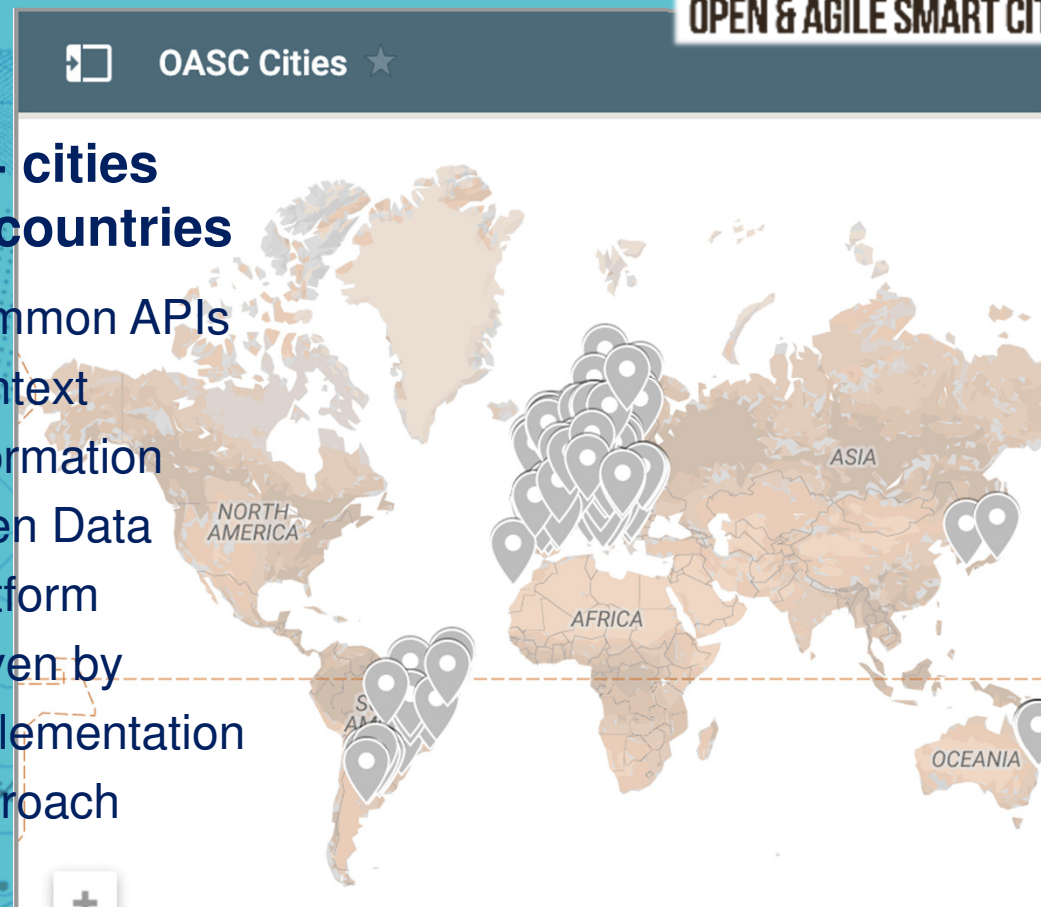
## NGSI-LD and Context Broker

Technology have been endorsed on Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as new CEF (Connecting Europe Facility) Building Blocks



140+ cities  
30+ countries

- Common APIs
- Context Information
- Open Data Platform
- Driven by implementation approach





# .. a real standard: Standardization on a global scale

## FIWARE Standardization:



FIWARE has been recognised as key contributor for the IoT-Enabled Smart City Framework. Such initiative is led by NIST



- Reference Architecture
- Common Information Models
- Paving the way towards transforming cities into platforms enabling the Data Economy



The ETSI ISG CIM has decided to give the name “NGSI-LD” to the Context Information Management API. The rationale is to reinforce the fact that this specification leverages on FIWARE NGSIv2 to incorporate the latest advances from Linked Data.

# Smart Cities: the transformation journey

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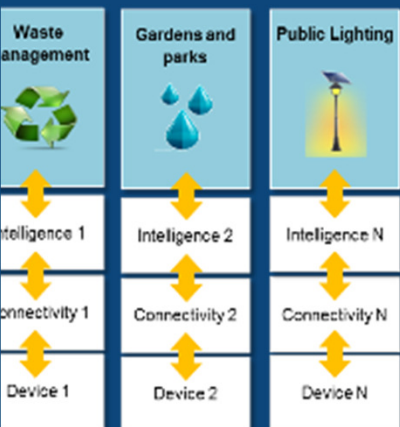
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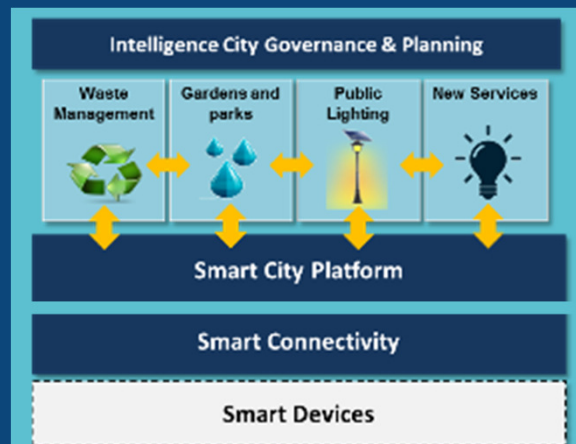
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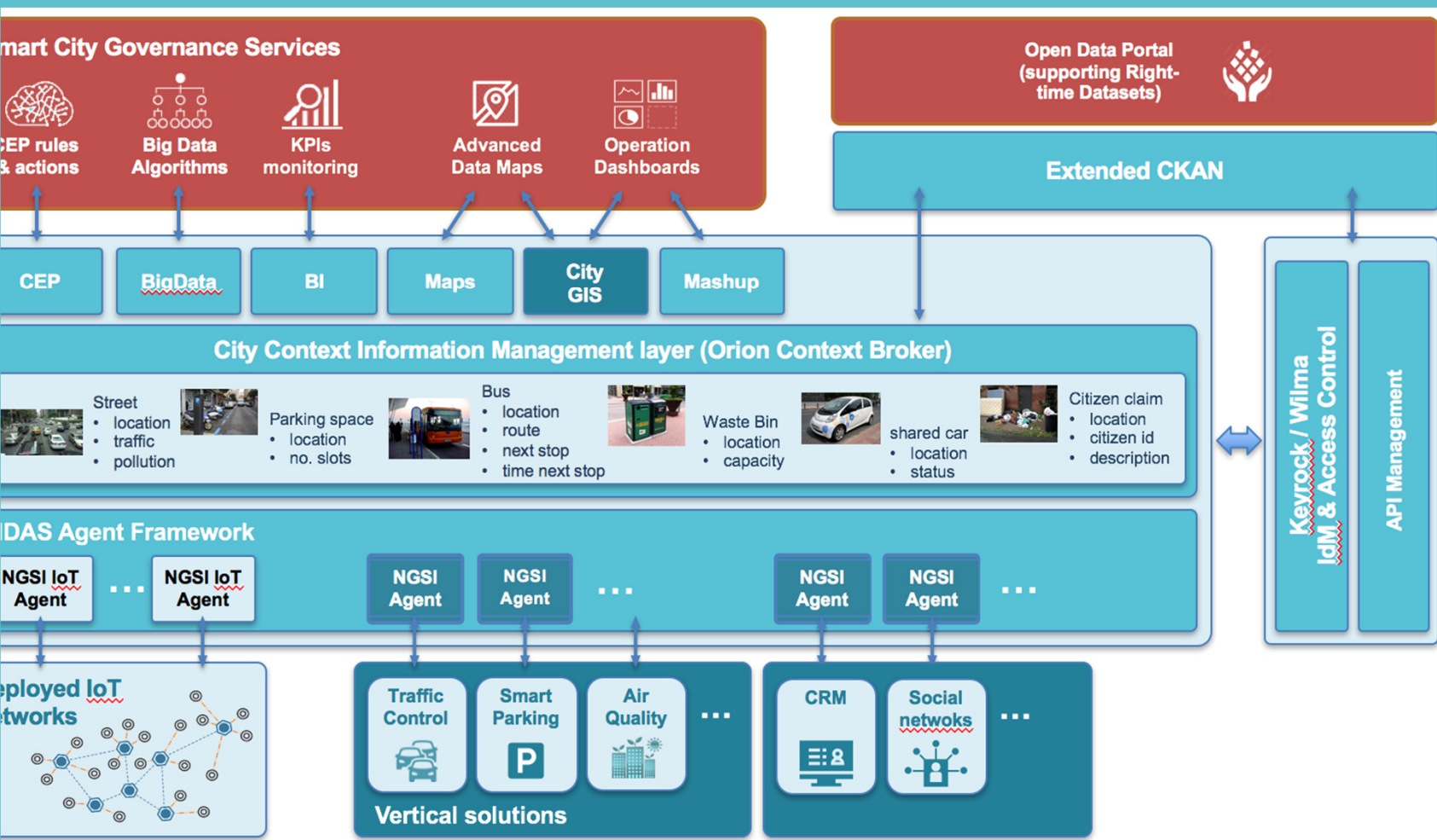


.. part of the City Context Information is available in "right-time" to third parties



- Unleashing the potential or right-time Open Data
- Open Innovation ecosystem on shared data
- Smart Cities as an attractive market for entrepreneurs

# FIWARE: Unleashing the potential of right-time Open Data



- Supporting publication of "right-time datasets" mapping to FIWARE NGSI queries on Context Broker layer
- Ability to manage acquisition of access rights on published resources (dataset)
- Interface with users and developers to gather feedback on published resources

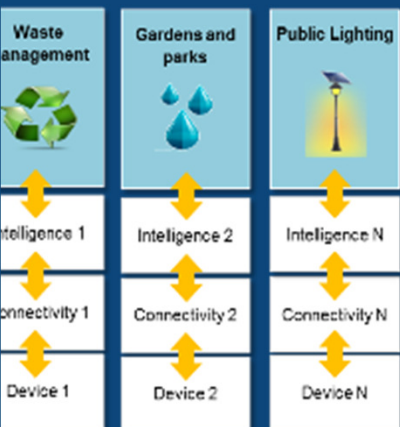


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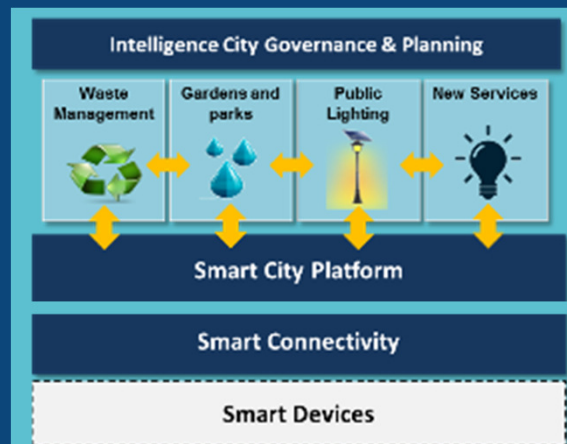
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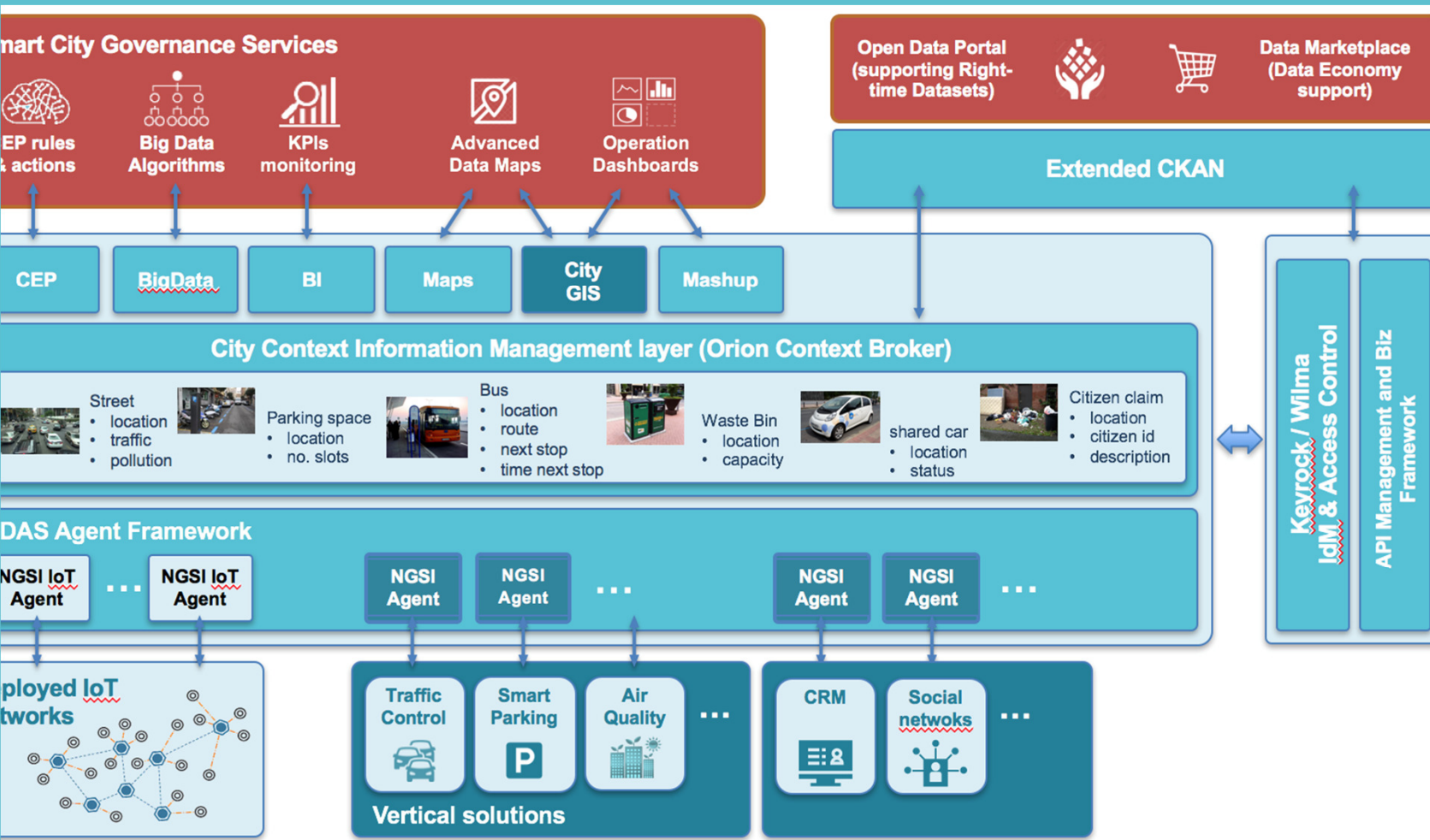


# .. Data platform make Cities the owner of their data



- The City as an enabler of the Data Economy
- The City can capture additional data (from others), which may turn into better insights
- FIWARE brings extensions to CKAN (most widely used Open Data platform) turning it into a Data Marketplace
  - Context API queries as “right-time” datasets
  - Managing of Access Rights acquisition
  - Binding pricing to datasets (price for rights acquisition and pay per use)

# FIWARE: enabling the Economy of Data



- Enabling publication of resources by third parties
- Ability to assign permissions to the acquisition of access rights and definition of pay-per-use schemas
- Biz Framework managing offerings based on Open TMForum APIs







# FIWARE Foundation Mission

## Overall FIWARE Mission

To build an open sustainable ecosystem around public, royalty-free and implementation-driven software platform standards that will ease the development of new Smart Applications in multiple sectors.

## FIWARE Foundation

The FIWARE Foundation is a legal independent **non for profit charitable** body providing shared resources to help to achieve the FIWARE Mission by Empowering, Promoting, Augmenting, Protecting, and Validating the FIWARE technologies and the whole Community around them.



# The FIWARE Foundation has been grown as 300+ global members within 3 years!

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# FIWARE: Technology but much more

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## Pillars:



the open source platform of choice for developing smart applications



a meeting point where innovation happens and users can experiment with the technology



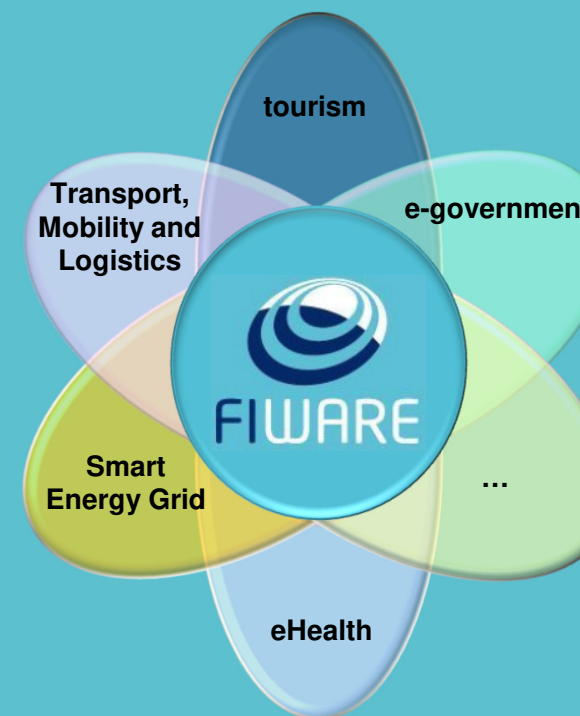
activate funds and accelerate the business of entrepreneurs using the technology



reach a global footprint, opening to regions that share the same vision and ambition



support development of the community at local level, bringing support, training, certification



# Summary

## Smart Cities materialize through:

**A scalable platform to access and manage heterogeneous context information at the right time**

**A real-time open publish/subscribe mechanism and policies**

**A standard for exchange context information enabling a true ecosystem**

**Cities believing that Data is the source of Economy exploiting a virtuous circle for the benefit of all citizens**

# Thank you!

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