



# **THE FUTURE OF SUSTAINABLE CITY: BUSAN ECO DELTA SMART WATER CITY**

HKU Water Centre Smart  
Water Cities Forum

# I . About K-water

A major water-managing public corporation in Korea  
with a history of fifty years of water management

\* Water(flood control 94%, water supply 61%, tap water production 31%, reuse 69%), renewable energy(7.7%), smart city(27km<sup>2</sup>)

Established in 1967

## Total Water Service Provider



Water  
Resources



Water Supply  
& sewage



Clean  
Energy



Waterfront Cities &  
Industrial Clusters

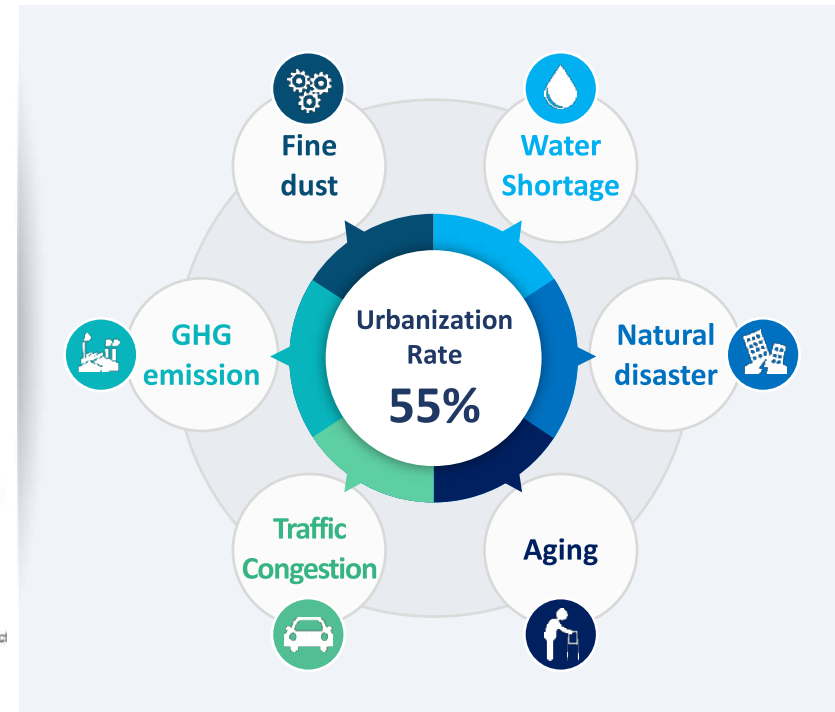
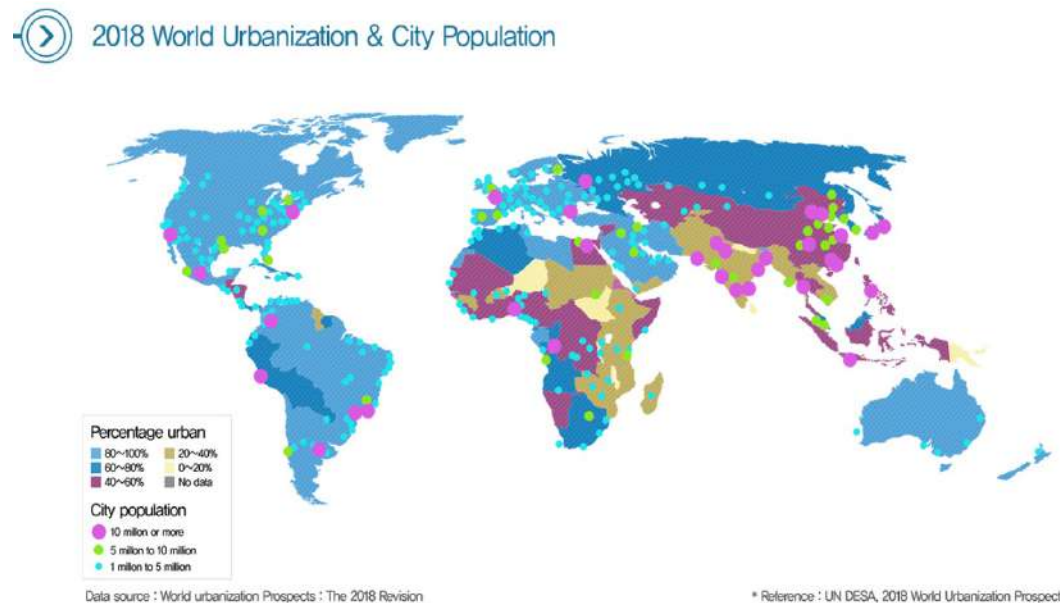


Overseas  
Projects

## II-1. Why Smart Cities?

### Rapid Urbanization and Social Problems

According to the UN, by 2050 the world's population will grow from 5 billion to 9 billion, with the urbanization rate reaching up to 70%.



As population and resource consumption are concentrated in cities due to rapid urbanization, various social problems such as fine dust, traffic congestion, water shortage and disaster safety are intensifying, posing as a major threat to the city's sustainability.

## II-1. Why Smart Cities?

### Global Issues

Problem on traffic, Energy, Safety, pollution, water, etc. : Result in Indiscreet Urbanization

**Now, Our City Need Innovative changes**



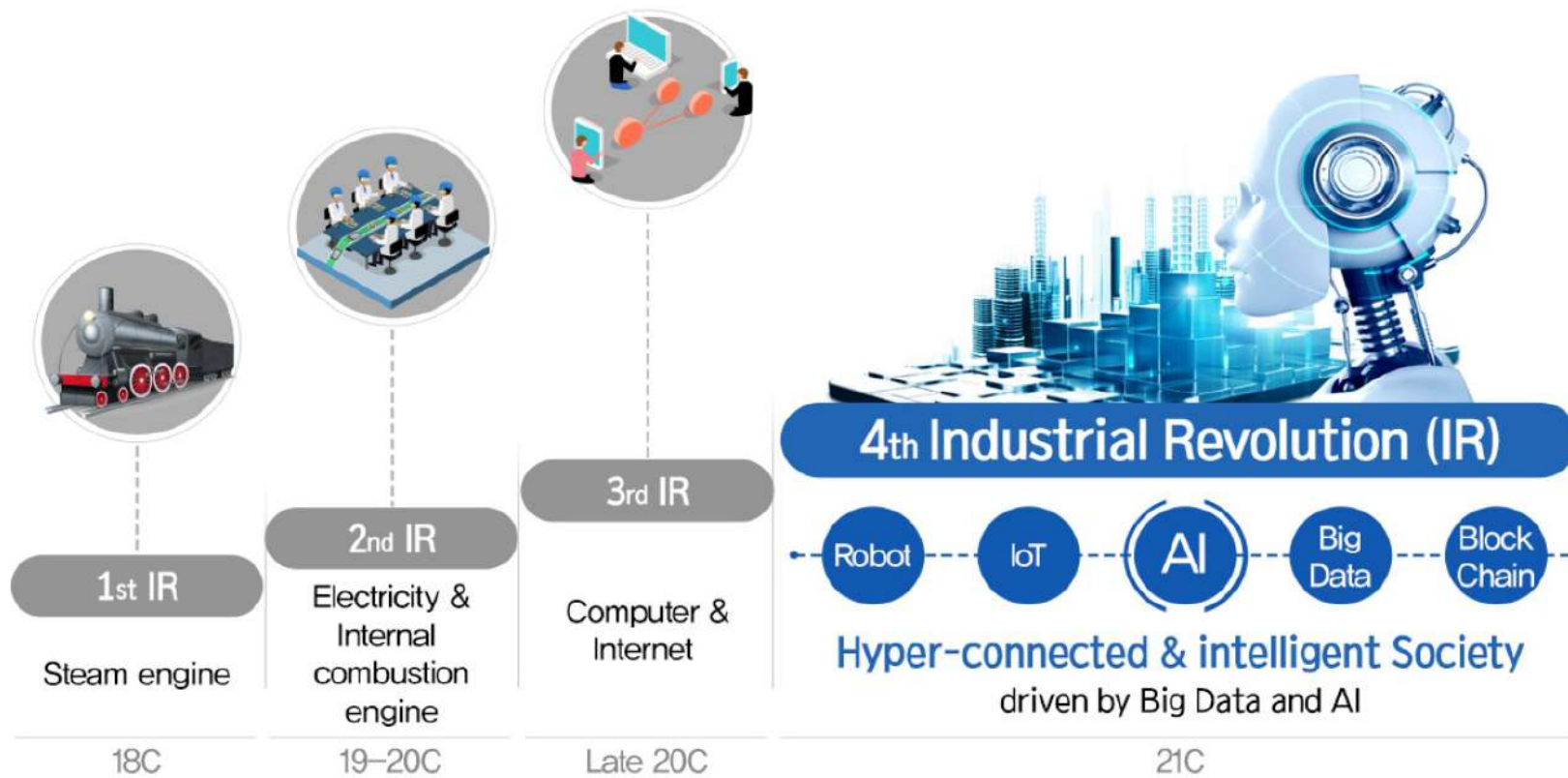


## II-1. Why Smart Cities?



### Use of Innovative Technology to Solve Problems

Countries around the world are paying attention to smart cities as a new alternative to solving urban problems, and making full-fledged efforts to promote smart cities using 4<sup>th</sup> industrial revolution technologies such as big data and AI.



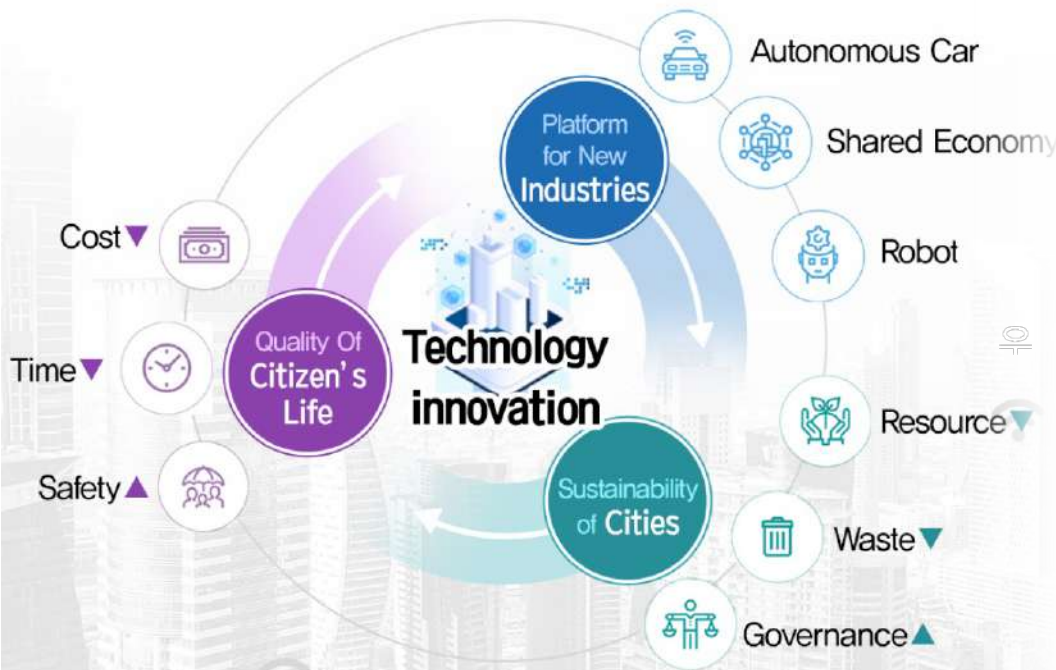
## II-2. What is a Smart City?

### Diverse Thoughts on Smart Cities

#### What is Smart City?

Smart Cities are defined in Various ways, and each country's approach to Smart cities is varied.

\* Depending on the level of economic and city Development and city conditions of each country



### Smart cities of Korea – Our Idea of Smart City

Korea define Smart City as a platform to improve the quality of life for citizens, enhance the sustainability of cities, and foster new industries by utilizing innovative technologies of the 4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution.



### Ⅲ. Smart Water City : Busan (Eco-Delta City)

#### Overview & Locational Advantages of Busan Eco Delta Smart City



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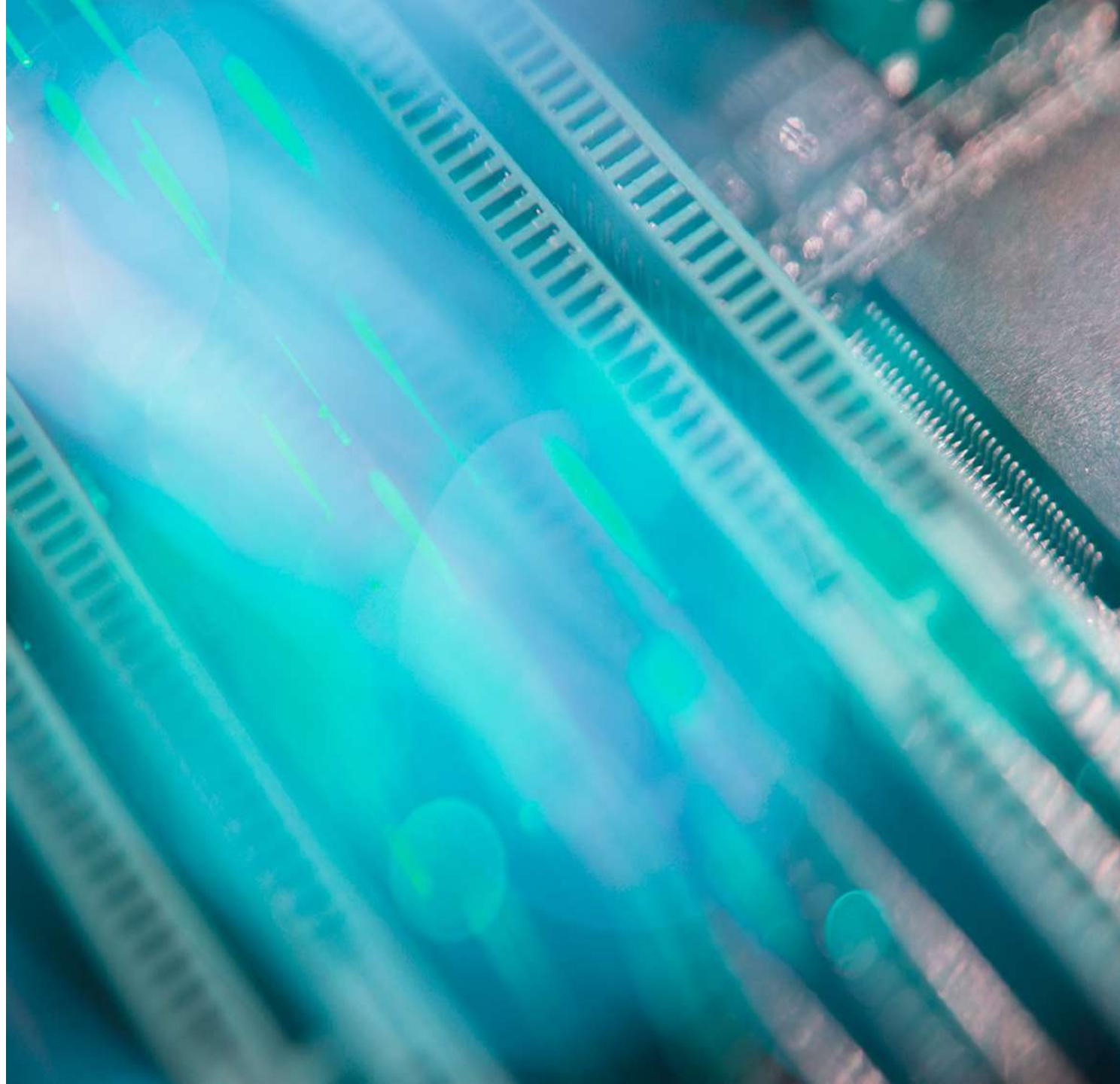
10 innovative technologies that improve quality of life



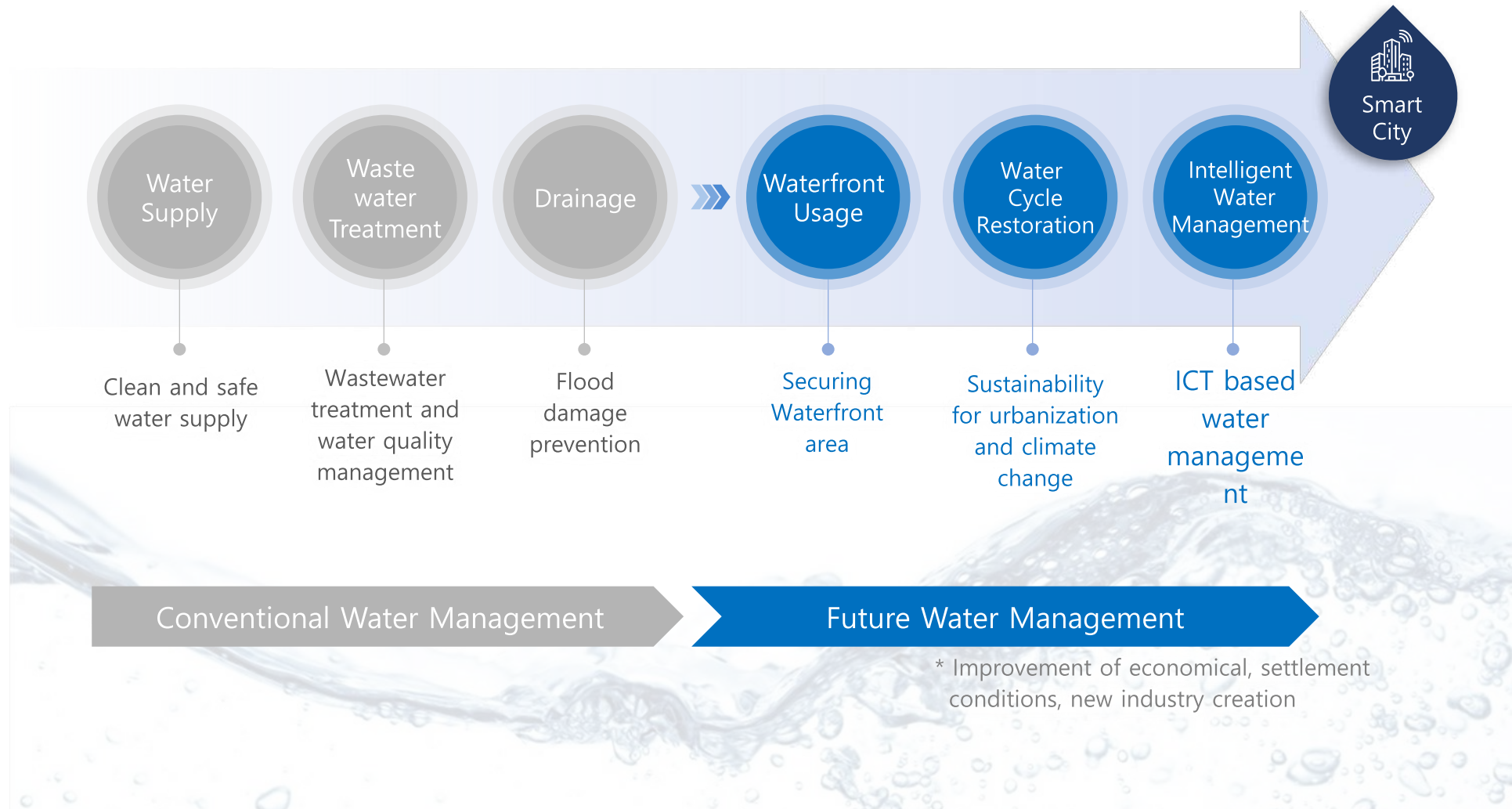
Next generation city management platform



**A Smart Water City is  
Not only about ITs,  
But also a solution for  
a Sustainable City**



## The Future of Smart City Water Management shown by Busan Eco Delta Smart City



## Water specialized from the urban design phase



### Waterfront Eco City Design

Develop as a most Iconic  
"GLOBAL" waterfront landmark  
locally and Improve the quality  
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### Urban Water Cycle Restoration

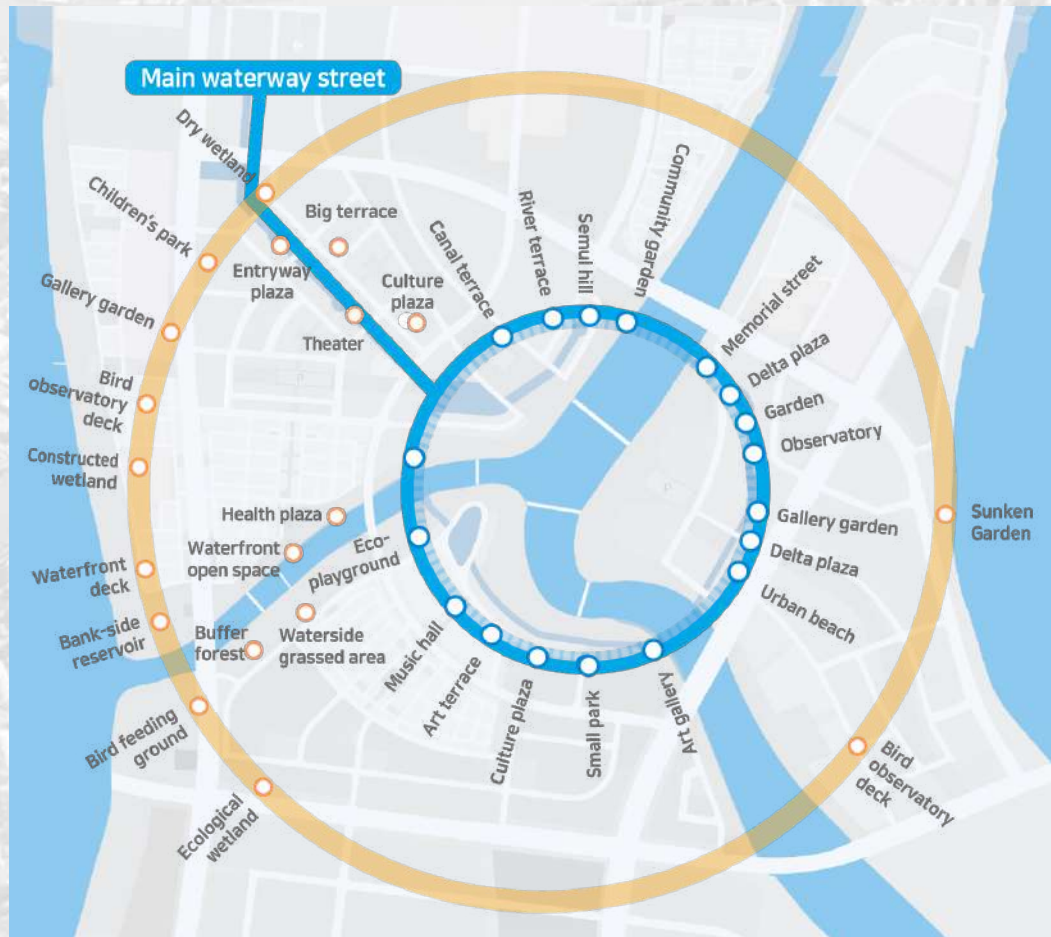
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## Eco-Delta City Design based on Waterfront

Create a Culture-front (Culture Waterfront) where people can experience nature, leisure, and various leisure activities



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## Urban Water Cycle Recovery



### Urbanization

System loss in first step of water circulation because the city is covered with concrete



### Climate Change

Frequently occurring drought and floods



### Water Leakage

About 15% of purified water is leaking from the pipe



### Non-drinking Water

Tap water drinking rate is only about 7% in Korea





# Adoption of smart water management technologies by K-water's 50-year water management know-hows

Introduce smart waterworks in new city for the first time in Korea  
→ Provides services such as quality and quantity of water, as well as drought and flood information

## ① High-precision small scale precipitation radar

Improve the quality of river water and raw water through environmentally friendly water treatment based on natural or artificial recharge technology from developed countries.



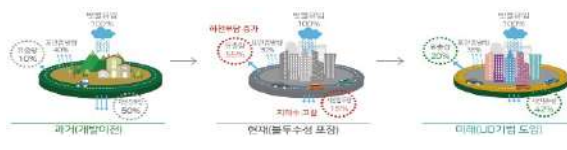
## ② Urban Disaster Integrated Management System

Develop an Integrated Urban Water Disaster management system through constant monitoring water levels, gates, and drainage facilities



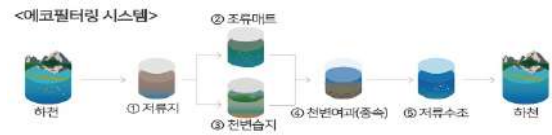
## ③ Low Impact Development(LID)

Construction of customized green infrastructure to restore urban water circulation to buildings such as roads, parks, green areas, rivers, and public buildings



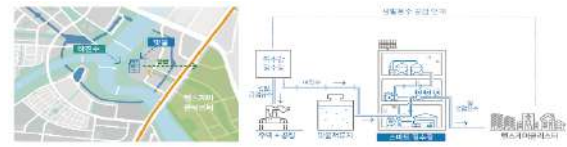
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## ⑤ Decentralized Smart Water Treatment Plants (Pilot project)

Prevent secondary contamination/water outage and diversify water sources by installing compact water treatment facilities near consumers.



## ⑥ Smart Water Management (SWM)

Providing consumer-oriented services such as applying SWM technology to manage water quality and quantity in real time for the whole water supply process and providing real-time water quality information to the public



## ⑦ Water Recycling

Process rainwater, sewage, and wastewater according to the purpose, e.g., use them for housing, industry, agriculture, landscaping, and river maintenance, among others.



## ⑧ Hydrothermal Energy System

Reduce the use of energy through the temperature differences of river water and raw water for heating and cooling.





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## Urban water-related disaster response system

Small-sized precipitation forecast radar and Water disaster management system

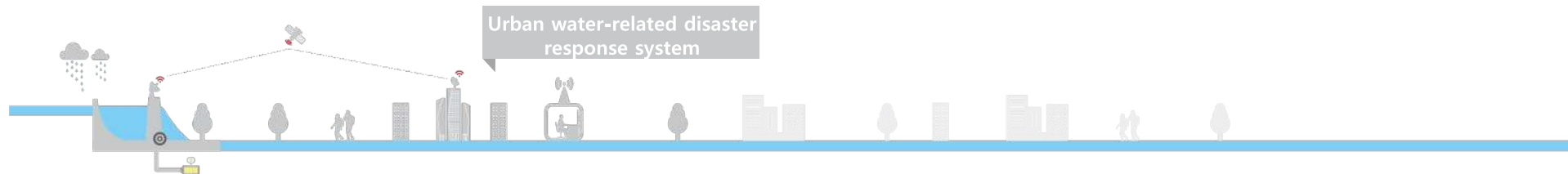
### Small-sized precipitation forecast radar

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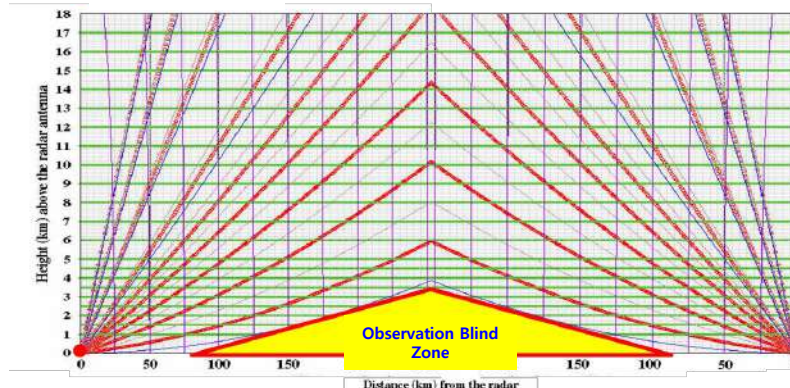


## As-is

- High-level rainfall observations centering on large rainfall radar
- Inadequate local rainfall response system due to predicted rainfall using rain gauge system

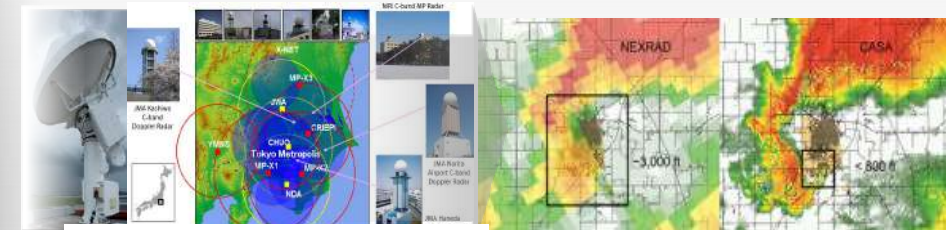


### ● Rainfall Radar



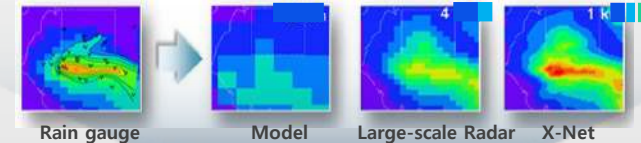
## To-be

- Development of high-resolution radar based localized heavy rainfall and flash flood monitoring, prediction and evaluation technology



storm scale rainfall estimation

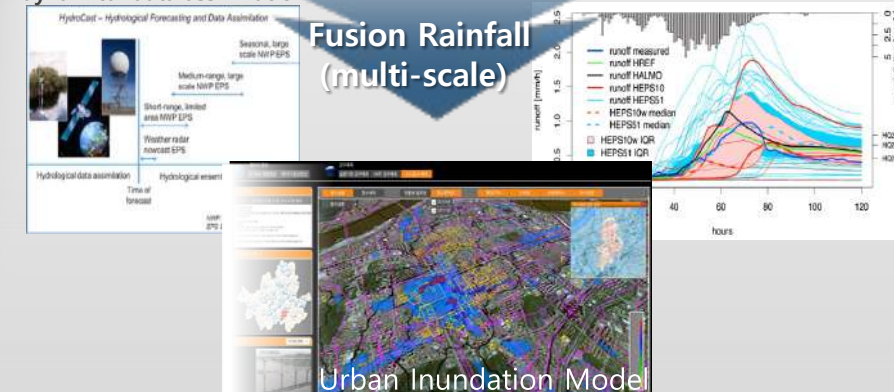
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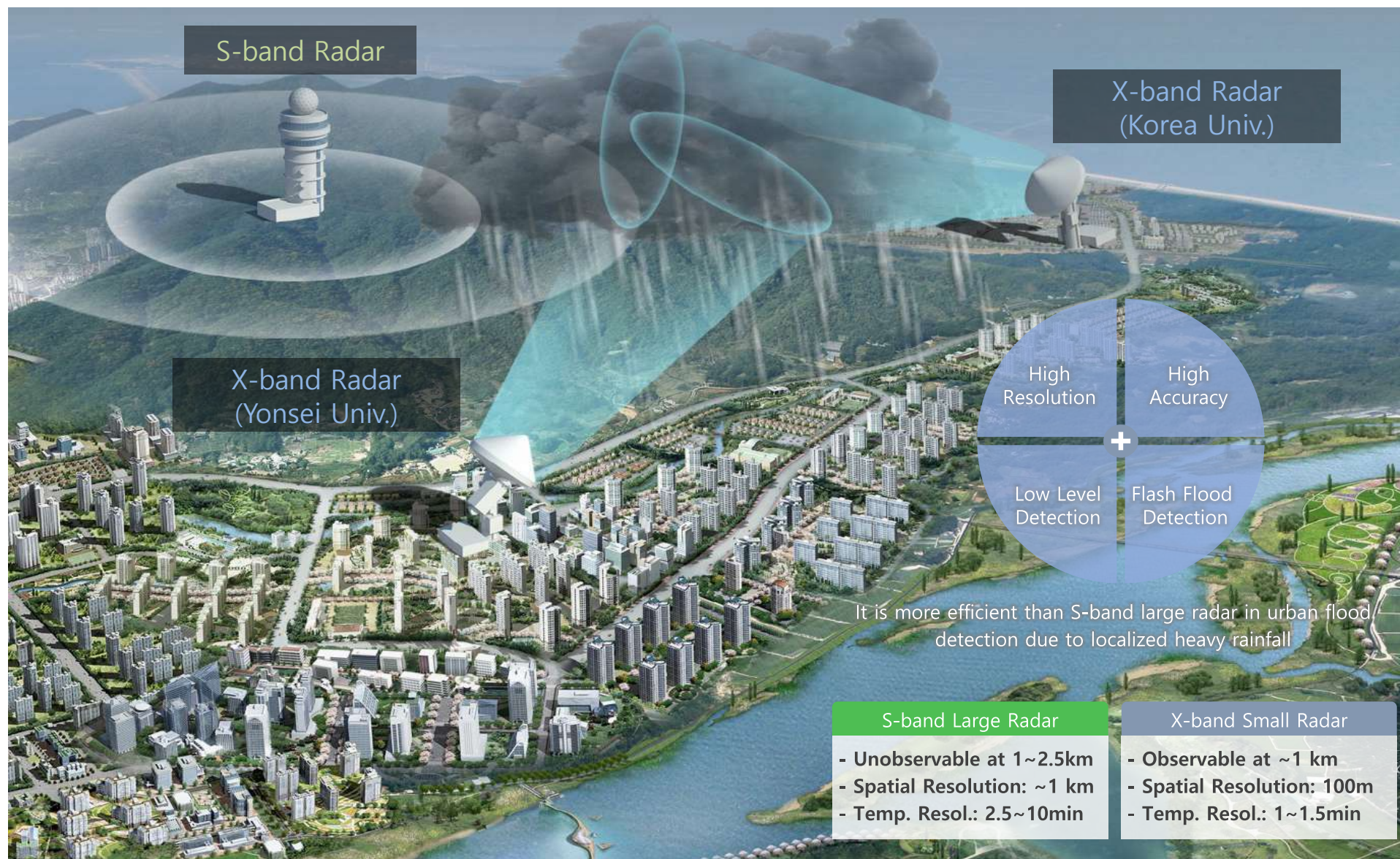
Super-ensemble hydrological forecasting

### Fusion Rainfall (multi-scale)





## 01. Urban Water disaster response system – rainfall prediction radar





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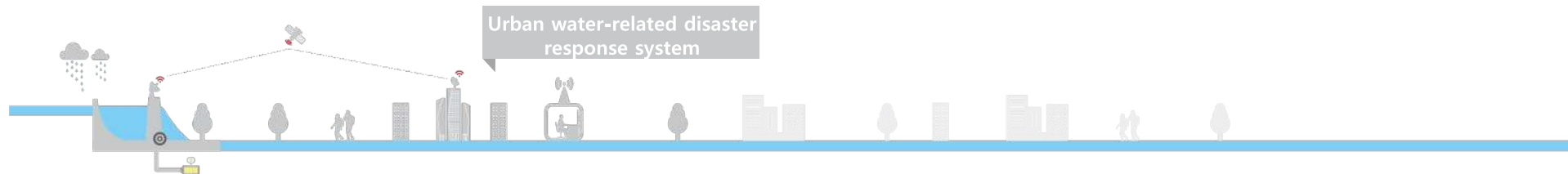
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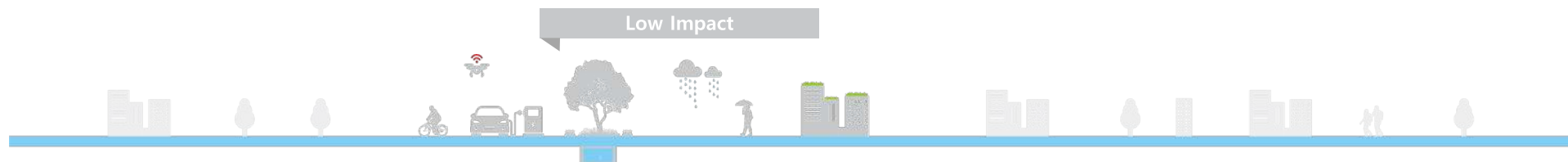
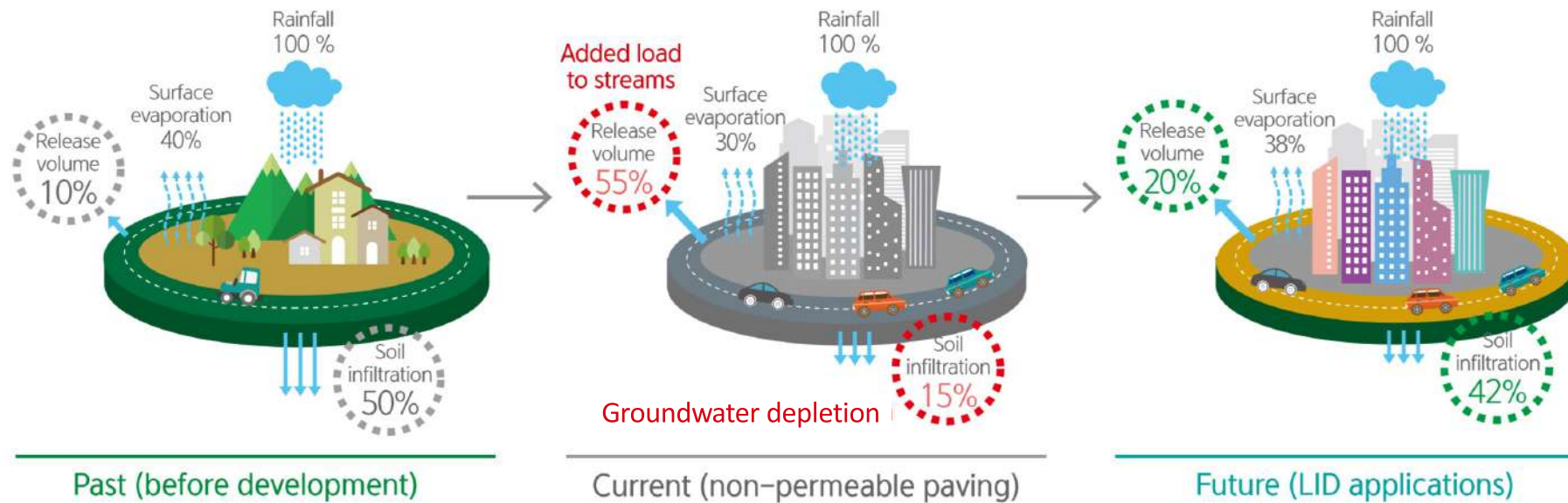


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### Low-impact development(LID)

Naturally structured city covered with greenery and gardens instead of concrete

\* Develop city that rainfall penetrates well into the soil







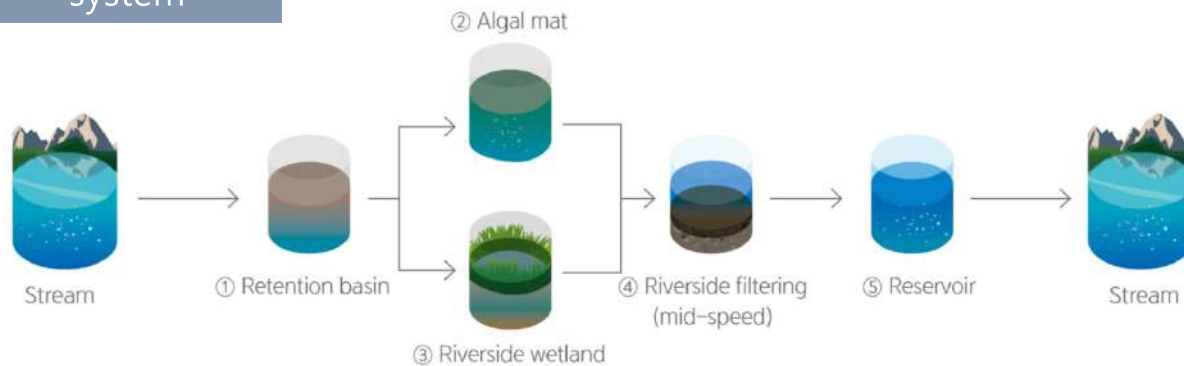
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## City stream quality improvement(Eco-filtering)

Consistently clean water & safe interaction with nature

\* (Area / capacity) 5,700m<sup>2</sup> / 1,000m<sup>3</sup> / day, (applied technology) algae mat, ecological wetland, natural filtration

### Eco-filtering system



Improve Water quality of city rivers (Eco-filtering)



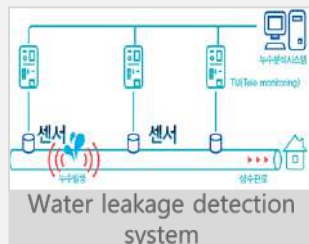
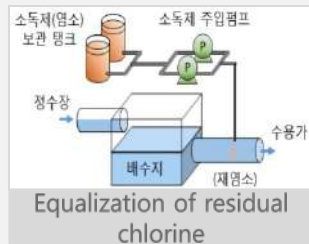


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## SWM (Smart Water Management)

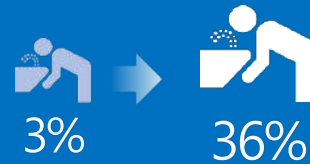
ICT application in water supply process from source to tap for live monitoring and remote control water quality and quantity

### Thoroughly manages water supply process



Supply secures and healthy tap water  
Leakage reduction, Energy saving

### Paju City Pilot Project



Tap water drinking ratio



satisfaction

### User-centric Services

Indoor pipe diagnosis



Water quality inspection visit



Total Care Service

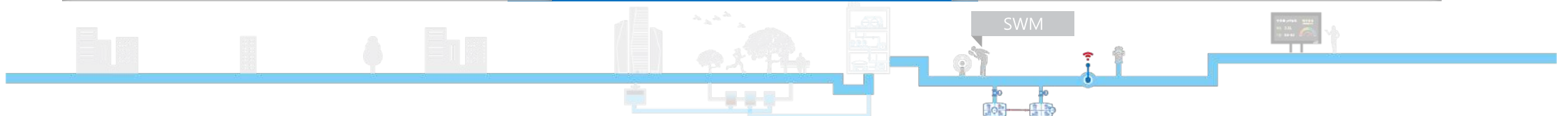


Old age indoor pipe cleaning



Tap water insurance

Providing water quality information  
Improve drinking water environment





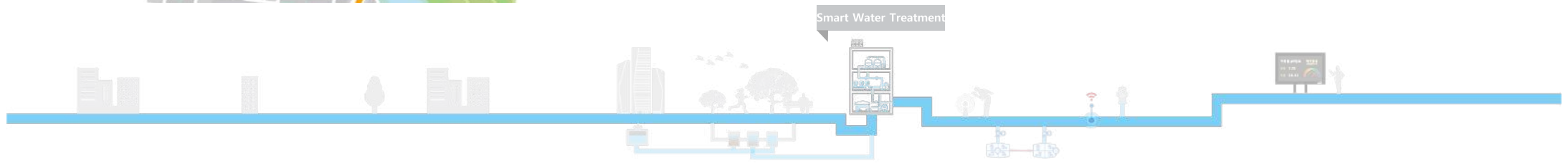
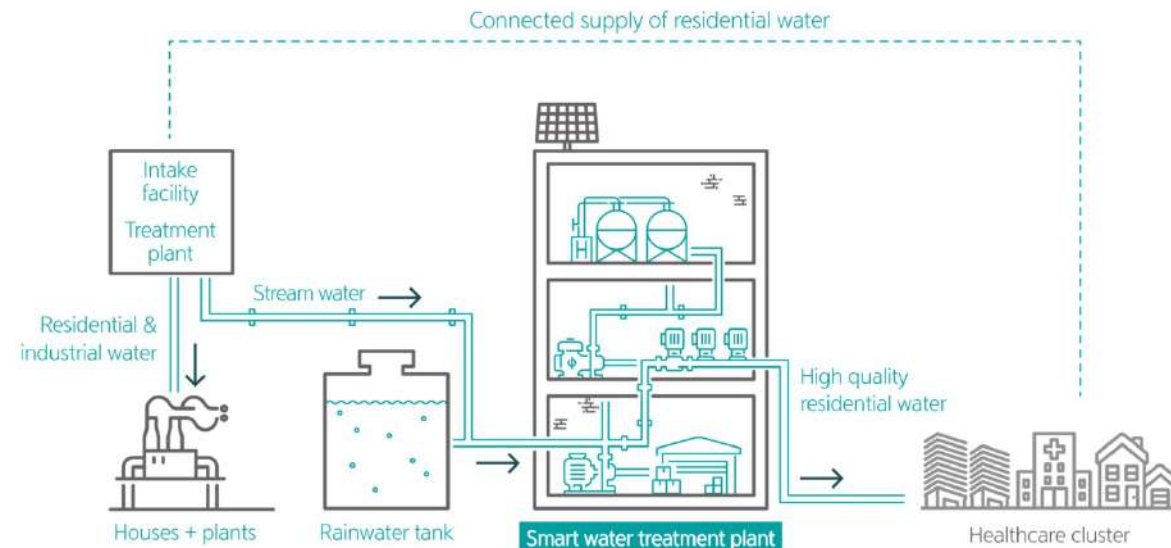
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## Smart water treatment plant(pilot)

Small-sized treatment plants around the city supplying top quality water

### Multi-story building type water treatment plant

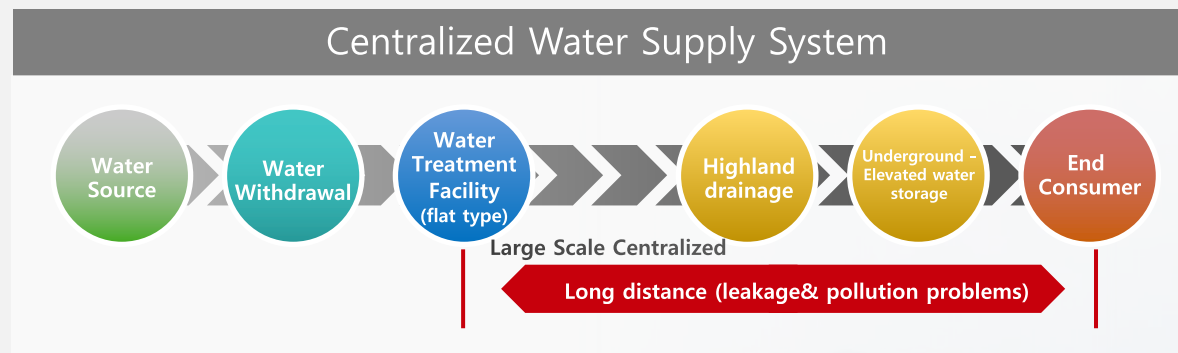
Advanced small-scale treatment facilities will be built in the city, minimizing the distance and ensure the quality of drinking water







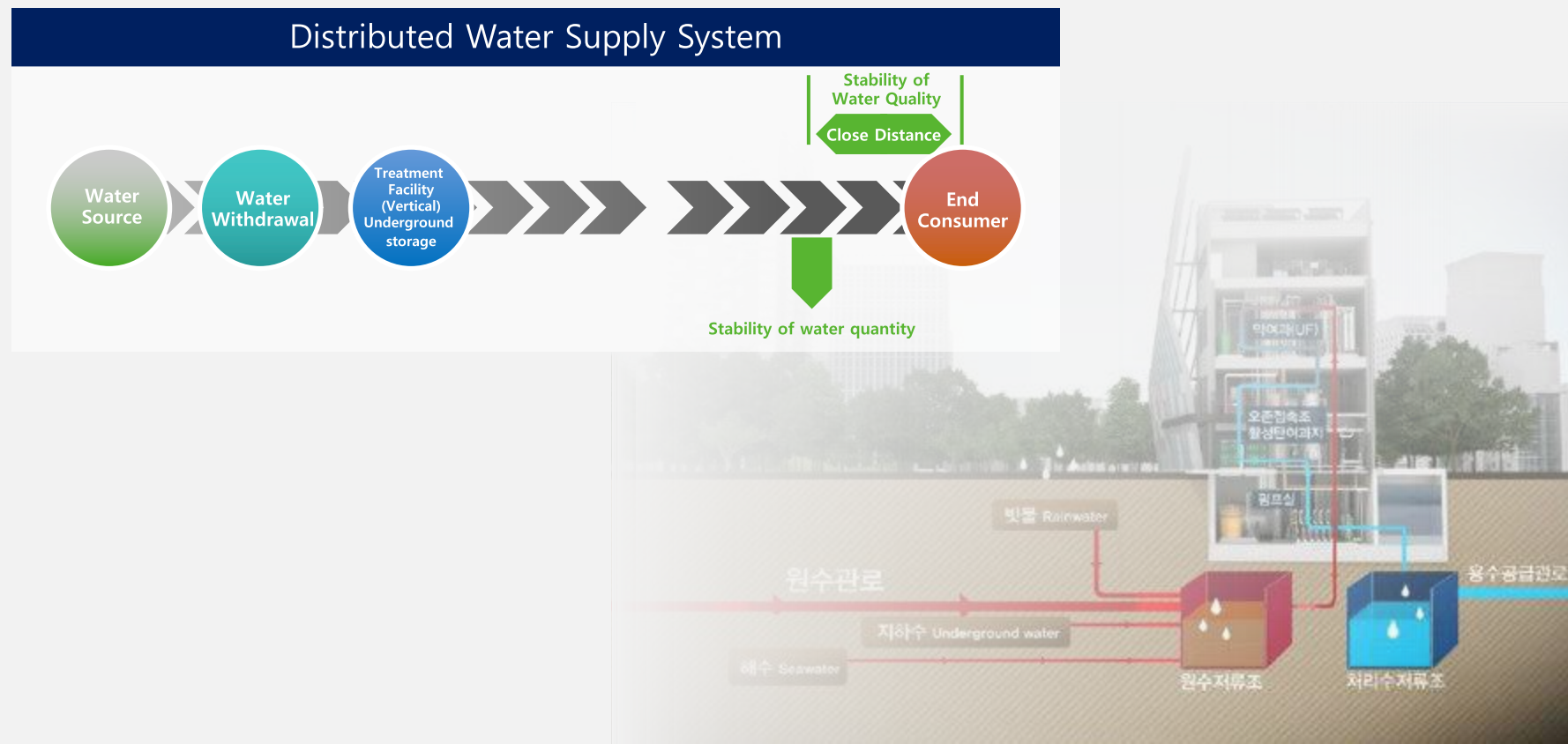
The current water supply system, purified water is delivered to the final consumer from a large water treatment facility near the water source





## To solve these problems, the government developed a small water treatment facility near the consumer

\* (R&D) Development of Distributed Water Supply system With Vertical Water Treatment (2010~2014)



## 05. Smart Treatment Facility (Pilot project)



### Decentralized Vertical Water treatment facility Case Study (Cheongju Water Treatment Facility)

#### Construction process



#### Major water treatment facilities



##### Membrane filtration

- ✓Type : UF(Dow)
- ✓ Flux : 1.4 m/day (25 °C)
- ✓Recovery ratio : 91.9 %



##### Ozone contactor

- ✓Dosage : 2 gO<sub>3</sub>/m<sup>3</sup>
- ✓Type : Side stream



##### Activated carbon adsorption

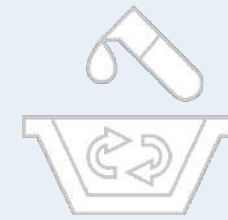
- ✓Size : 12 x 40 mesh
- ✓EBCT : 15.4 min
- ✓Material : coal
- ✓backwashing : water + air



##### Ultraviolet irradiation

- ✓Dosage : 43,600  $\mu$ W-sec/cm<sup>2</sup>
- ✓Transmission(%) : 70% or above

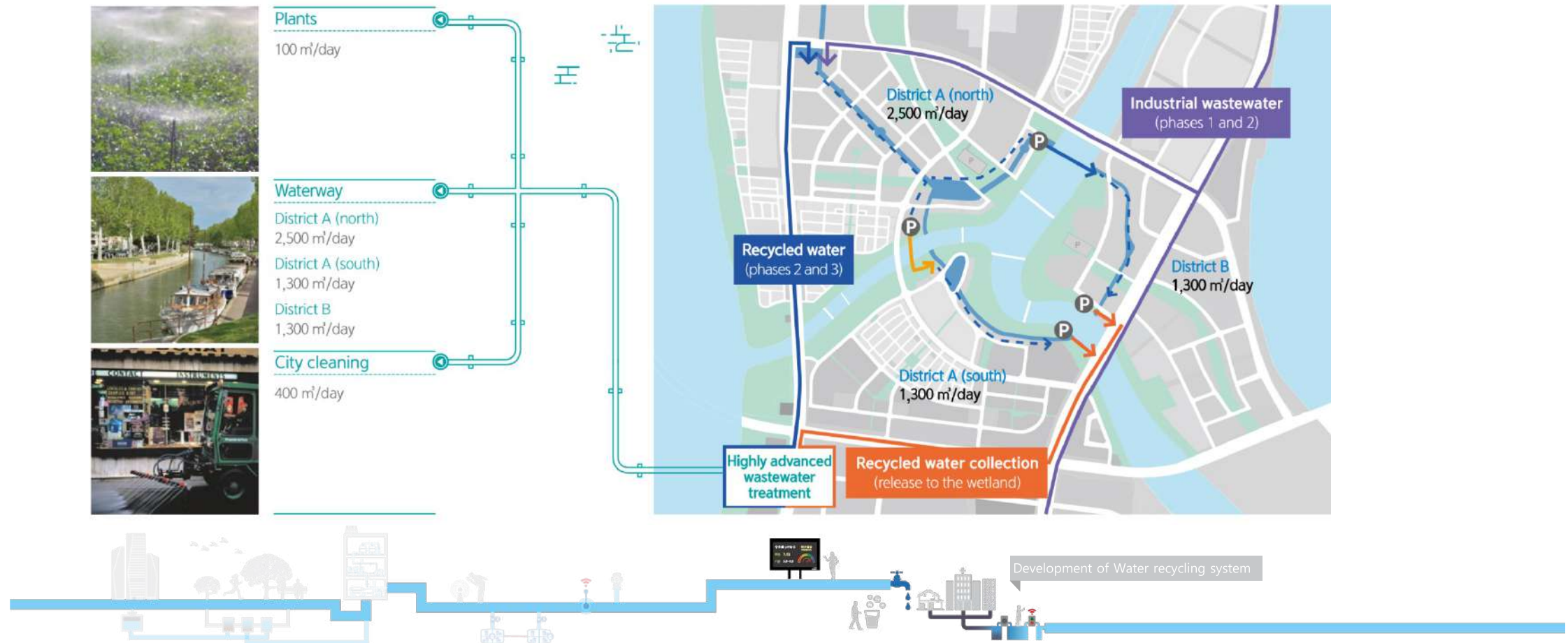




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## Water reuse system

Using water in all part of the city more than once  
Waste water is reused for cleaning, to fill the waterway, and to water parks





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## Hydrothermal Energy

Recover the heat source of river, lake, and sea water directly or with a heat pump and use it for heating/cooling or as a hot water supply to buildings.

Concept Diagram of Hydrothermal Energy

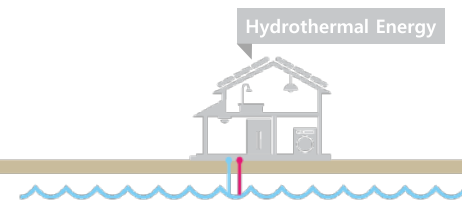
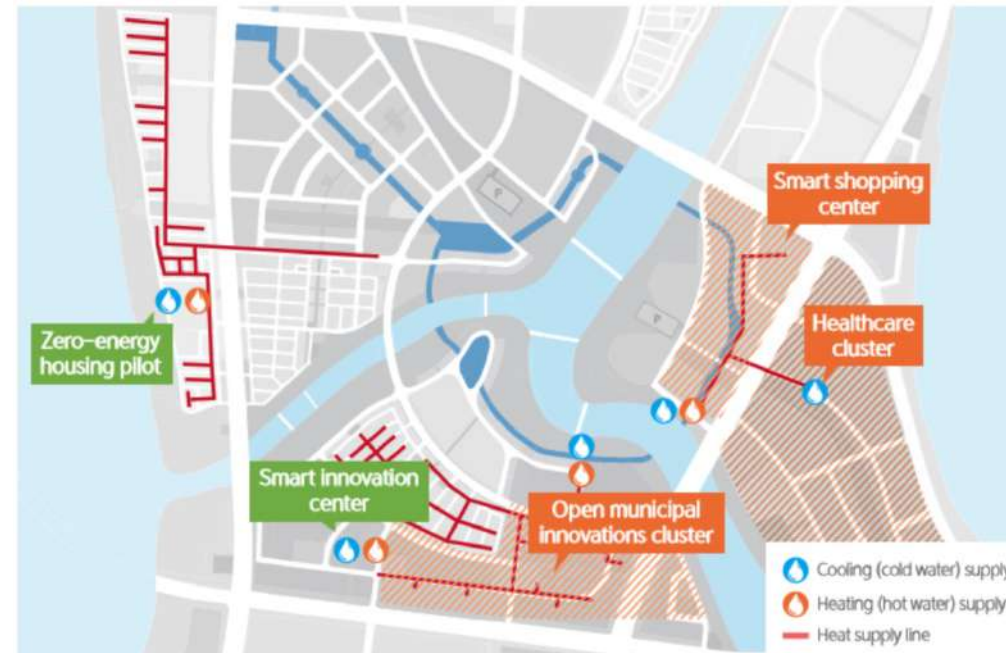


### 1st phase (~2021)

Open Innovation cluster,  
Zero energy housing district

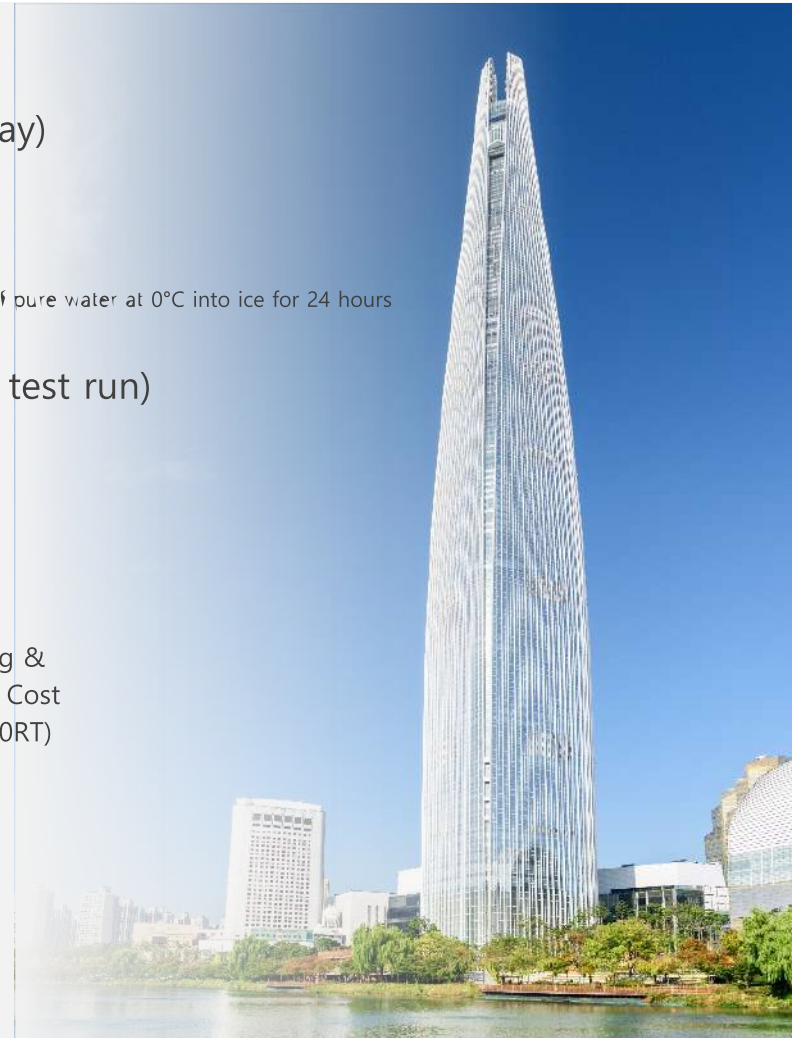
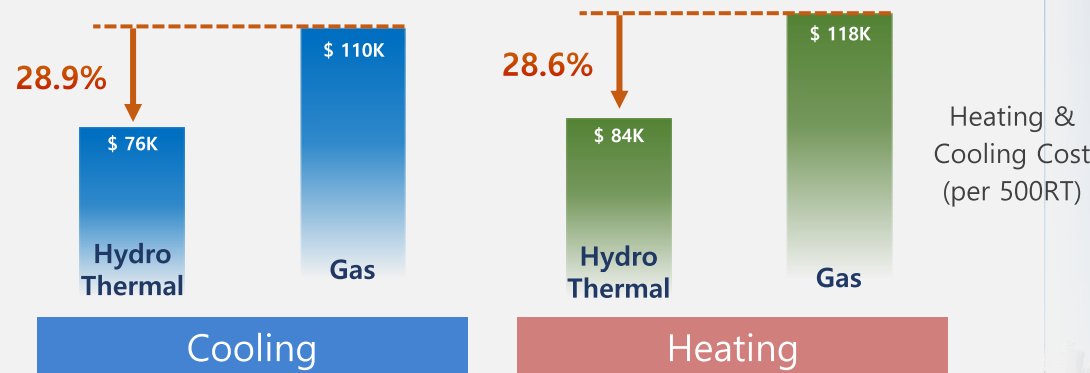
### 2nd phase (~2023)

Public Innovation Cluster  
Healthcare cluster, Smart Shopping centers



## Heating and Cooling cost of Lotte World Tower has reduced about 30% utilizing hydrothermal energy

Water Source	Metropolitan treated water (50,000m <sup>3</sup> /day)
Heating & Cooling load	3,000RT ( 10% of whole building load) <small>* RT (Refrigeration ton) Freezing capacity required to make 1 ton of pure water at 0°C into ice for 24 hours</small>
Construction period	March 2011 ~ October 2014 (Including test run)







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## Busan Eco-Delta Smart Village

### The First residential complex of The National Pilot Project of the Smart City

A living lab where people meet the Future living and advanced technologies

That will be implemented in Busan Eco Delta Smart City.

An Experimental housing complex where residents can experience and give feedback on the implementing cutting-edge technologies.

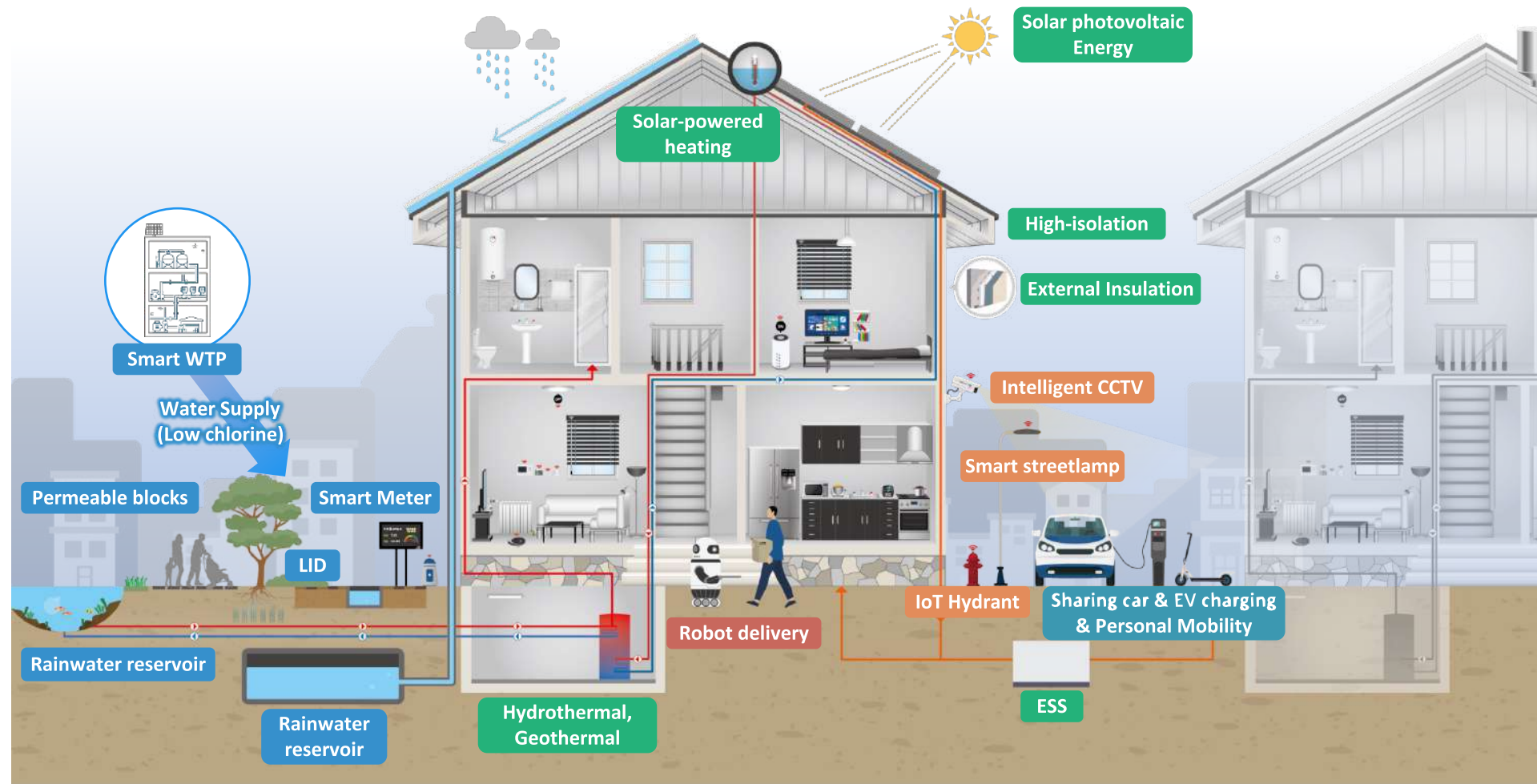


<New York Times Report>



## Busan Eco-Delta Smart Village

As a detached house(56 households) to demonstrate the technology to be applied to the smart city, participant in smart village living lab moved in Smart Village by January, 2022.





Expected benefits

**Reduce unnecessary water usage!**



Underground wiring pipe



Install a water saver



Leakage Detection monitoring

**Increase the available water usage!**



LID Implementation



Rainwater Storage



Sewage reuse



# The Critical Issues of Smart city

1. Personal Data Collection
2. Regulation in Innovation
3. Cost of City Management

## IV-1. Personal Data Collection



### Privacy Concerns Surrounding Smart Cities

Because of this constant data collection, people fear the loss of privacy

#### Privacy issues and ethics in the smart city

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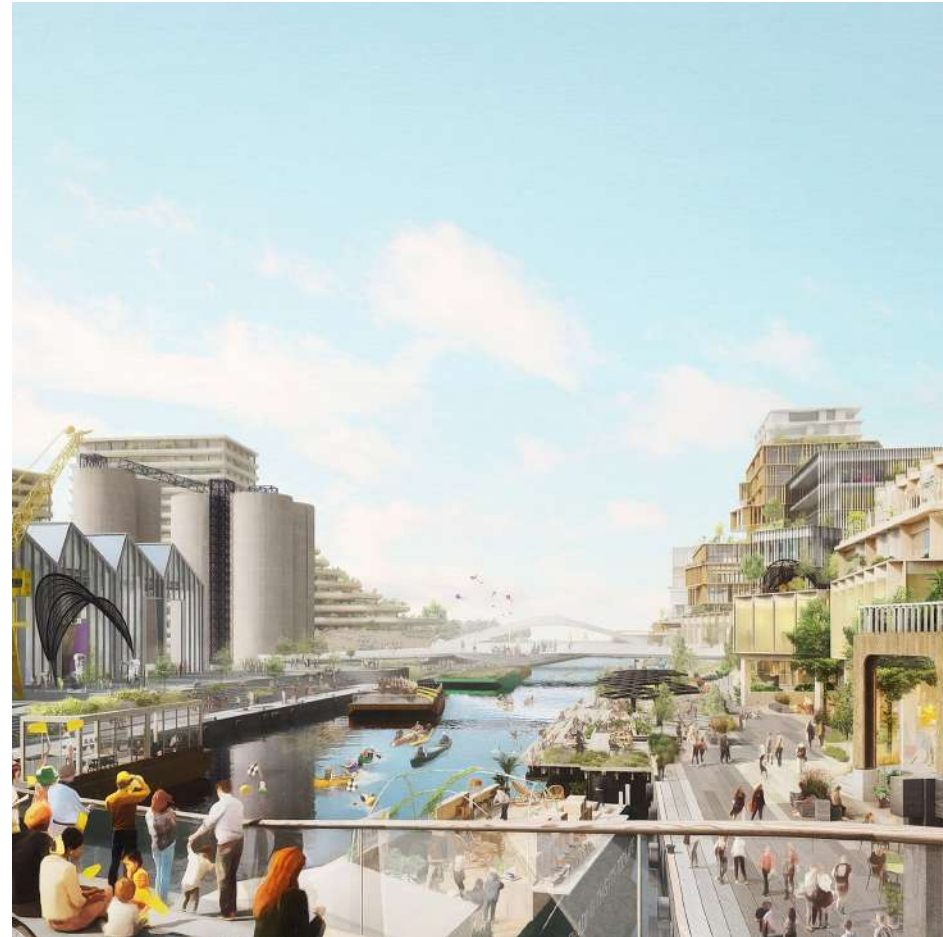
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**How a Waterfront  
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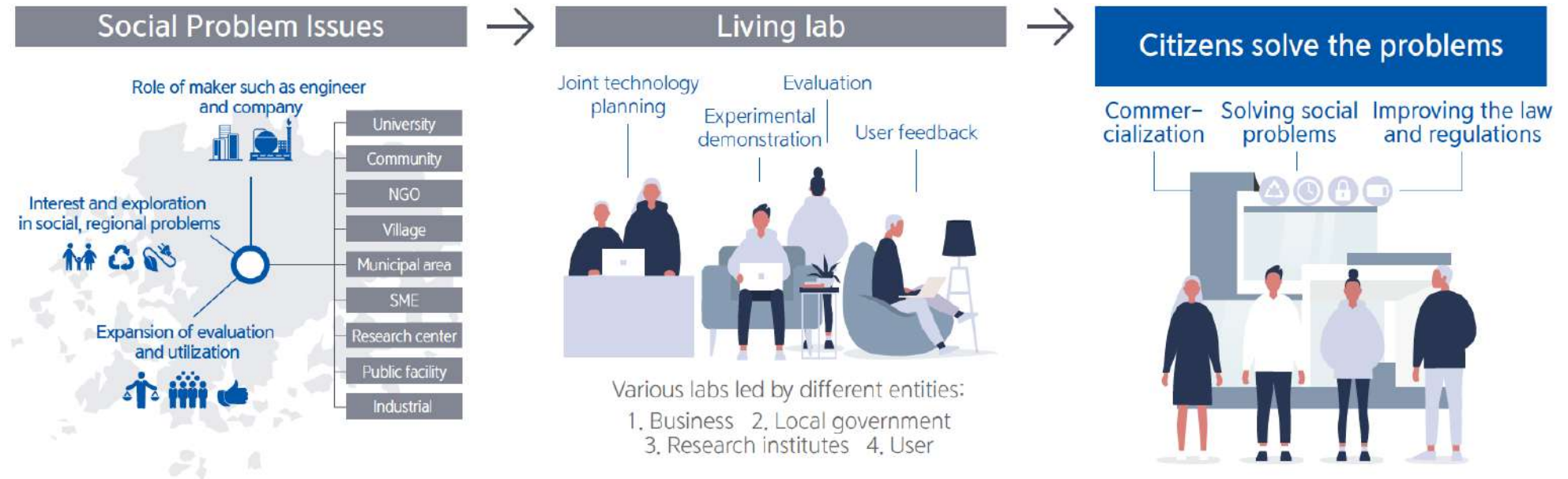




# IV-1. Personal Data Collection

## Living lab for Personal Data Collection

: Build up Smart Village(first Residents) for personal data collection



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### Test Bed : Busan Eco Delta Smart Village

Residents in the 54 households in the smart village, which range from single-person units to three-bedroom homes, are living rent-free (they pay only for electricity and water) for five years

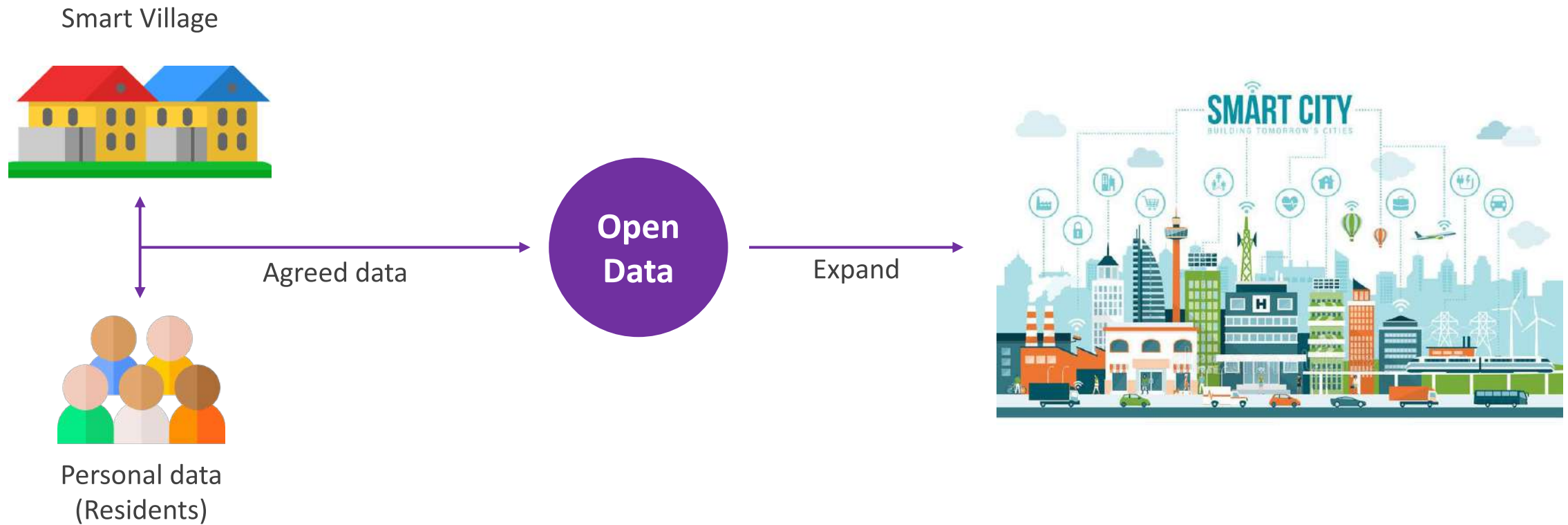


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### Busan Eco Delta Smart Village Data Platform

Testbed for personal data collection





## IV-2. Regulation in Innovation

### Regulatory sandbox

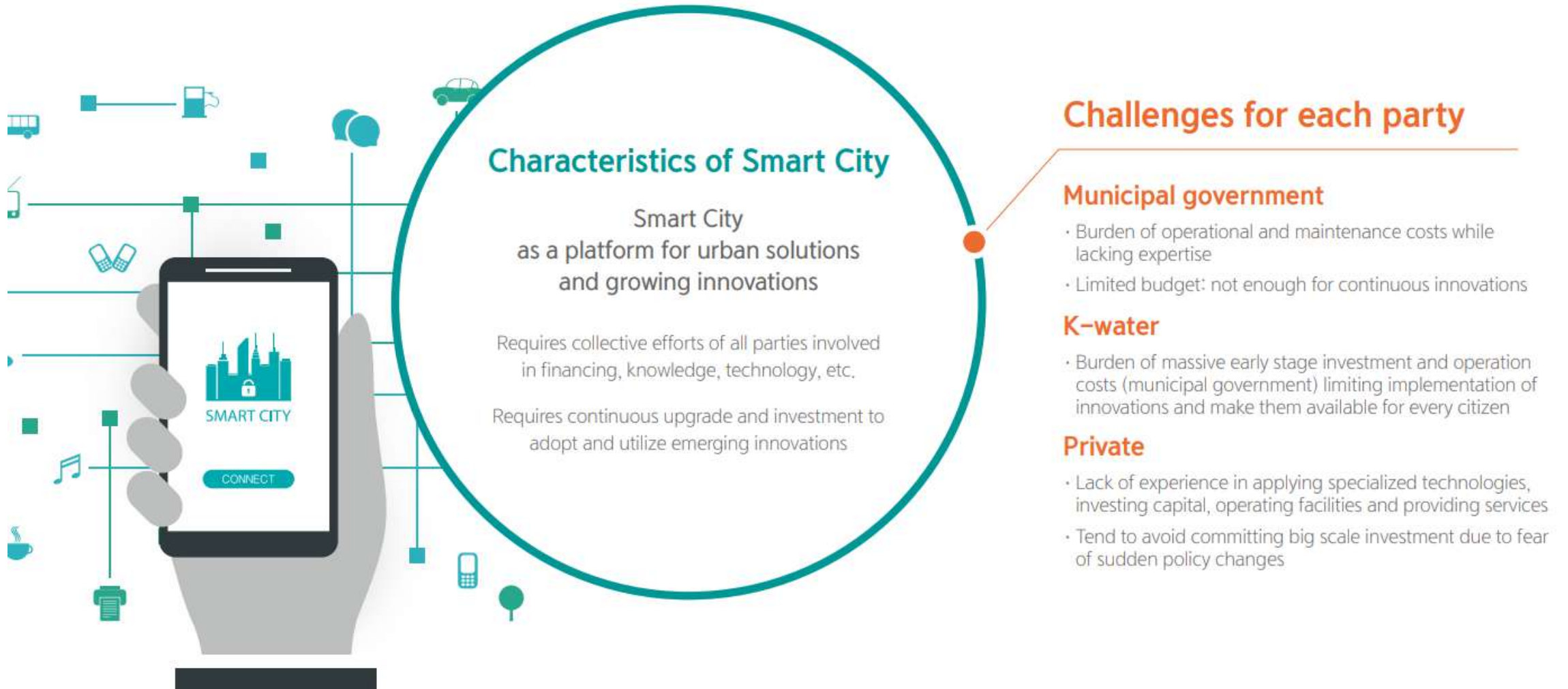
: Implementation of a regulatory sandbox in the smart city pilot zone  
to allow active application and testing of innovations and new businesses

Status	For validation/testing (zone/period/scale limitations)	For commercialization (mild to no zone/scale related limitations)
When unclear	<b>①Quick access to legal news and status</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Applicable regulations and requirements for permits, etc.</li><li>• Application → Minister of Land, Infrastructure and Transport → 30-day reply from the relevant department</li></ul>	
When there is no applicable law	<b>②Special case regulations for validation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Exemption to allow testing and validation for safety, etc. (for up to 2 years / can be extended once)</li><li>• Application → Minister of Land, Infrastructure and Transport → Determined by the deliberation committee (government and private members)</li></ul>	<b>③Temporary permit</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Temporary permit for market release (for up to 2 years / can be extended once / considered extended until the revision is complete)</li><li>• Application → Minister of Land, Infrastructure and Transport → Determined by the deliberation committee (government and private members)</li></ul>
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## IV-3. Cost of City Management

### Need to low-cost Innovations

Conflict between state and local government

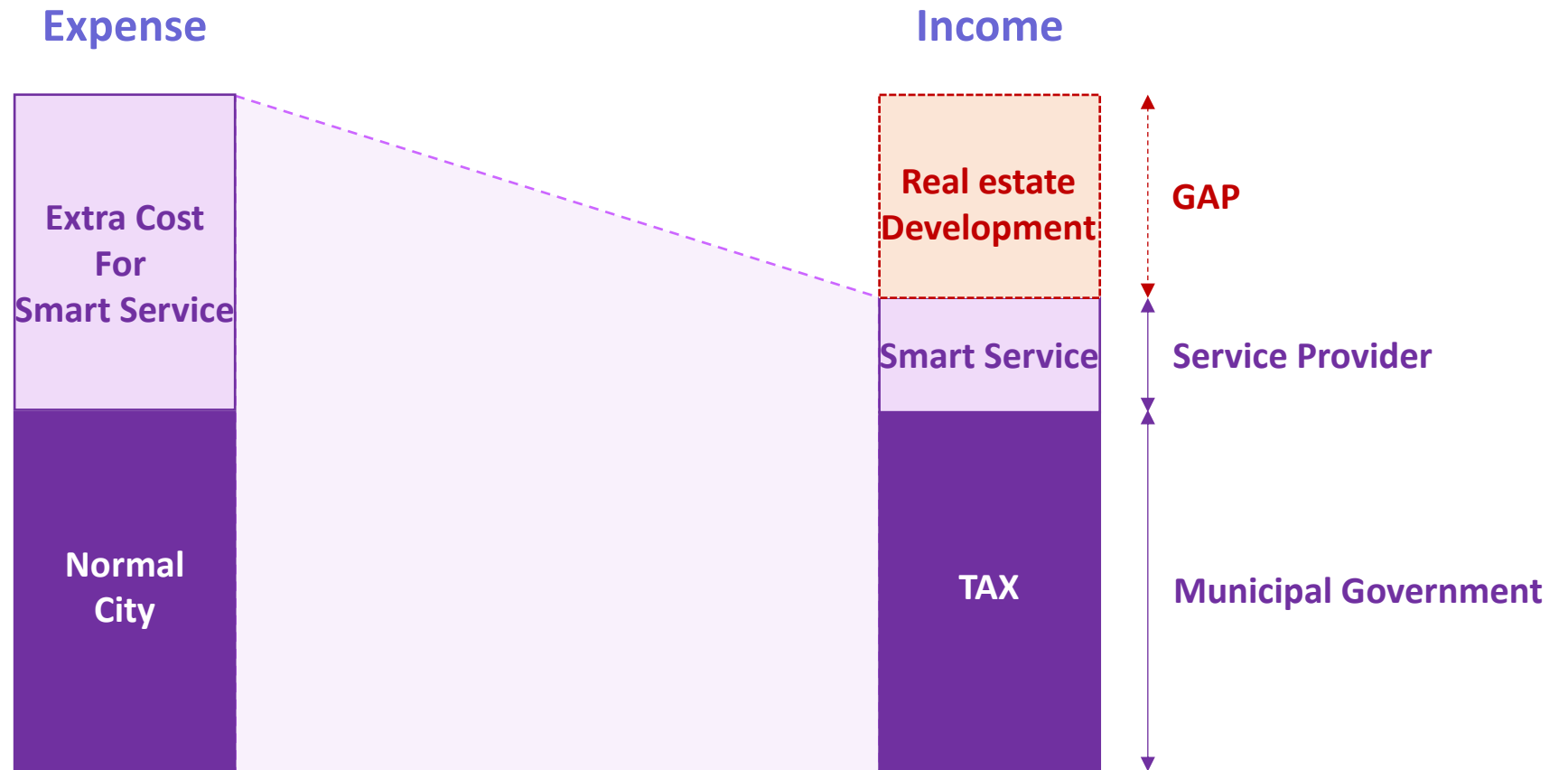


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The gap between expense and income in smart city

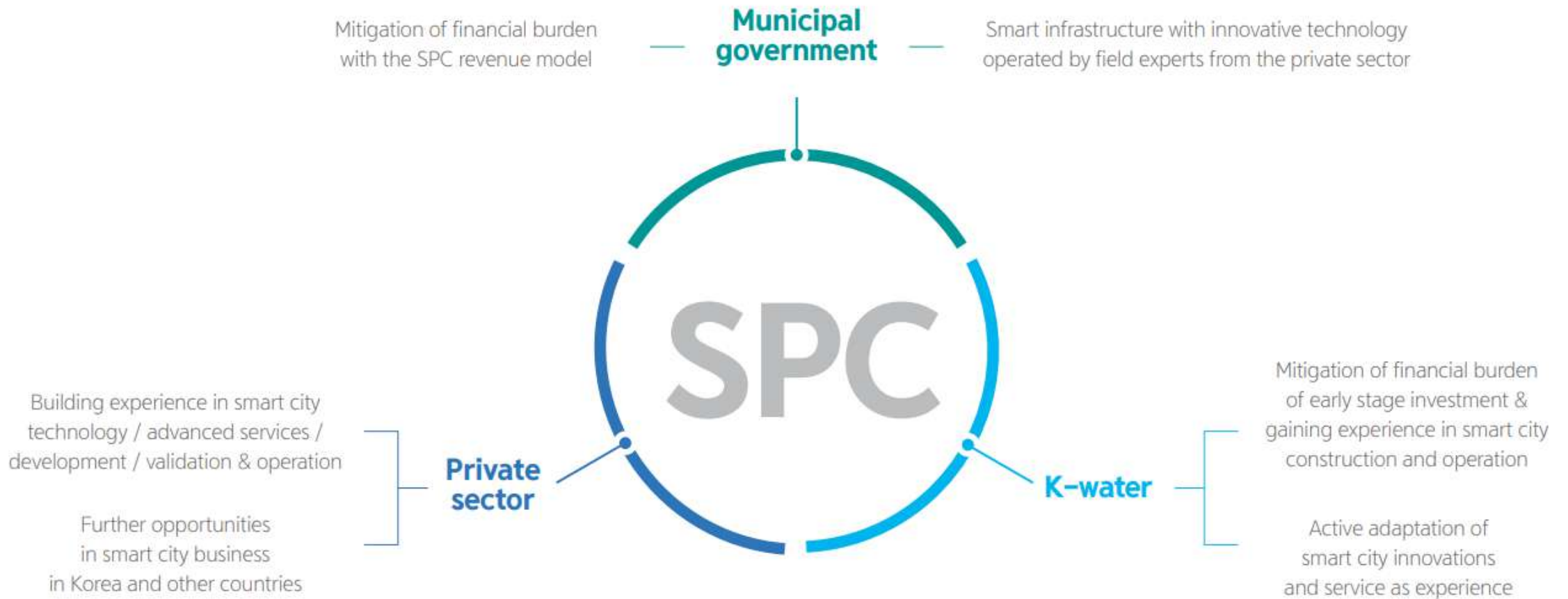




## IV-3. Cost of City Management

### SPC

: For sustainable development, establishing SPC(Special Purpose Company) ensures securing the necessary expertise for smart infrastructure operation





100 Years of K-water's Future  
Please applaud our Efforts.

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