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Future Hyper-Connected Cities & Communities

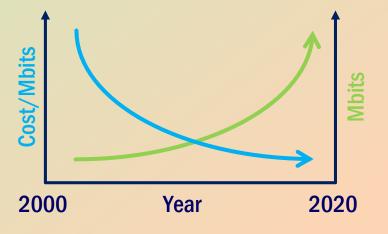


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The Mobile Revolution

As the result of the merger of the internet and wireless communication, mobile is the most rapidly adopted consumer technology in history.



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"We had no idea that this would turn into a global and public infrastructure" *Vinton Cerf, One of "the Fathers of the Internet"*

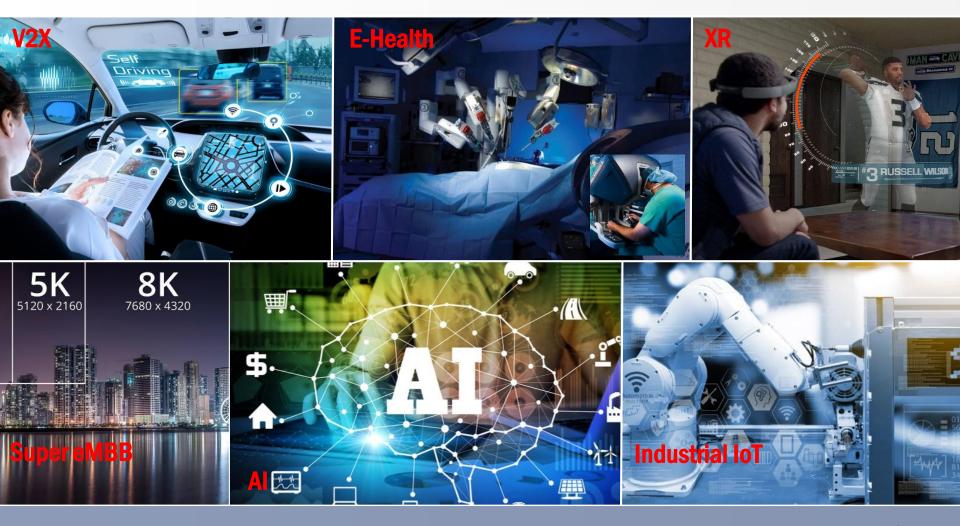
"People want to talk to other people - not a house, or an office, or a car. Given a choice, people will demand the freedom to communicate wherever they are, unfettered by the infamous copper wire. It is that freedom we sought to vividly demonstrate in 1973"

Martin Cooper, "Father of the (Handheld) Cell Phone"



6G Use Cases





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- 8.5 billions by 2030 & 11 billions by 2100
- As of 2018, 55% of the world's population lives in urban areas => expected to increase to 68% by 2050
- By 2030, the world is projected to have 43 megacities with more than 10 million inhabitants

The Connectivity Divide





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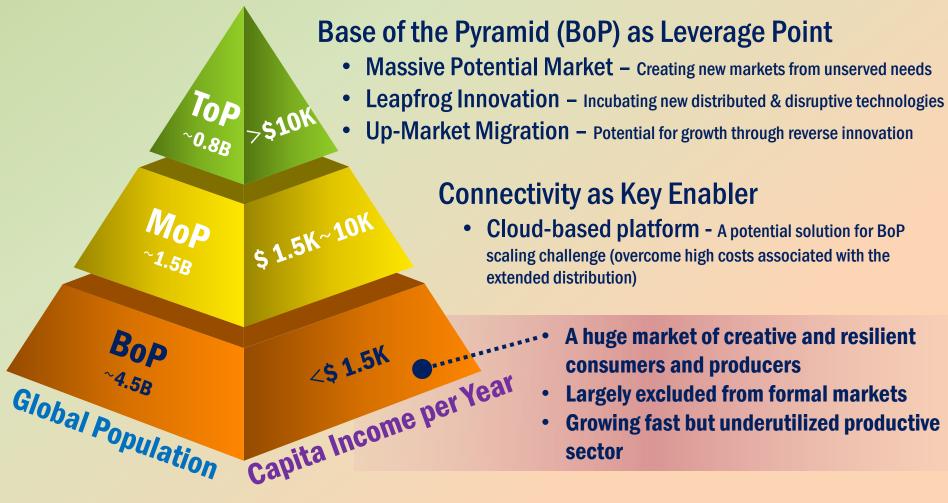
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Connecting the Base of the Pyramid



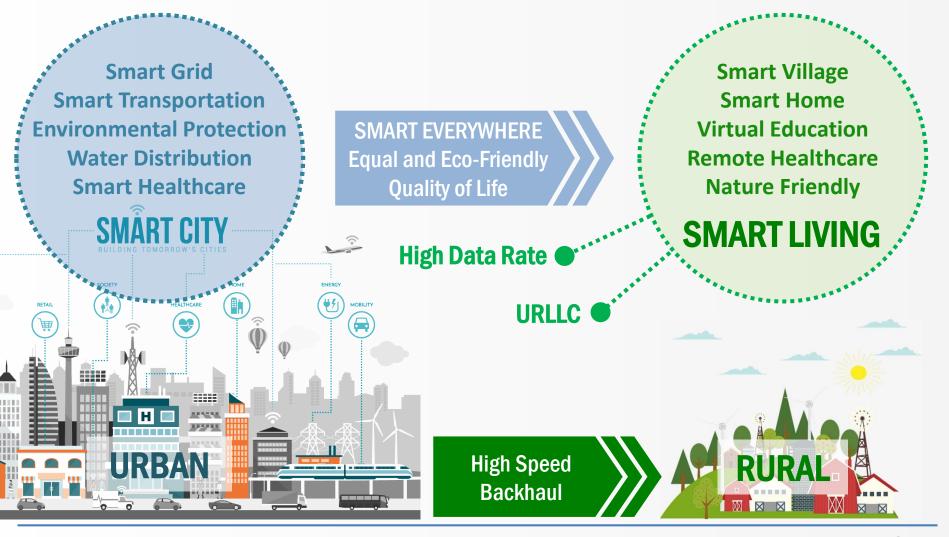
Base of the Pyramid Model



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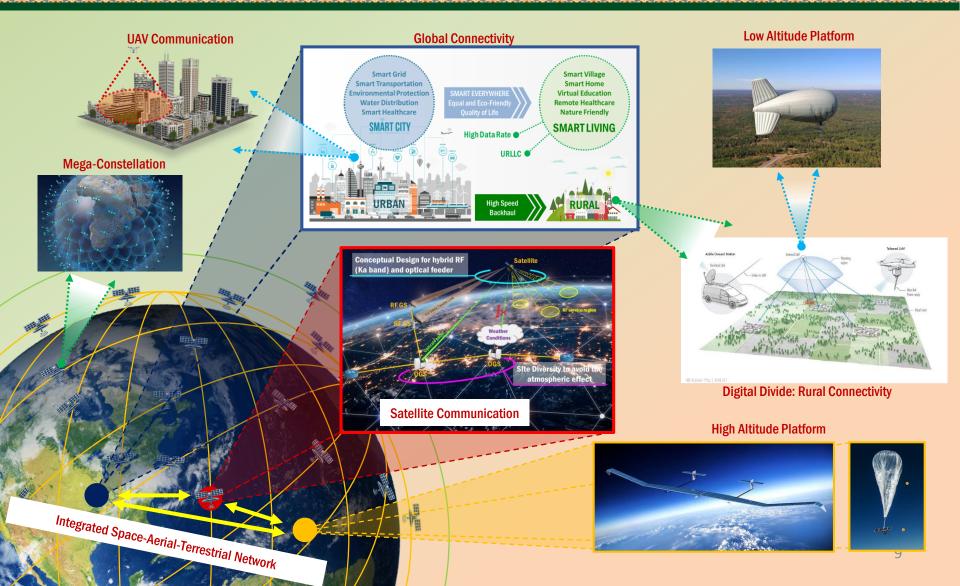
Smart Cities to Smart Living



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Integrated Space-Air-Ground Networks



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Network in a Box



Network in a Box & Pop-up Networks

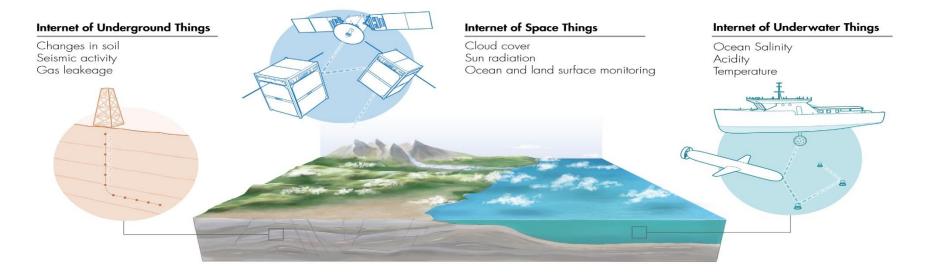
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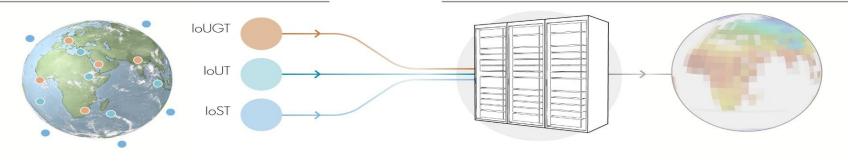
Climate Monitoring Using Internet of X-Things





Global network of internet of X-things collects climate data

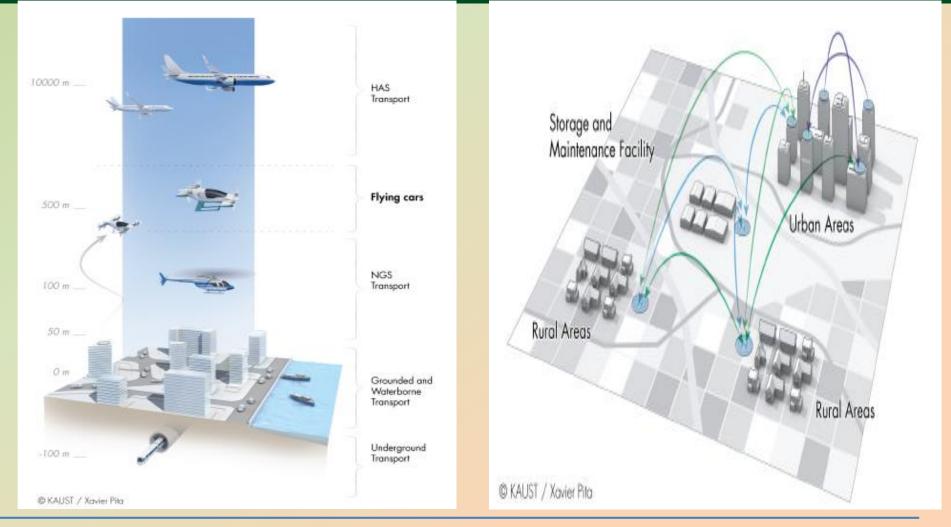
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Nikola Tesla

(10 July 1856 – 7 January 1943)

"When wireless is perfectly applied, the whole earth will be converted into a huge brain, which in fact it is, all things being particles of a real and rhythmic whole. We shall be able to communicate with one another instantly, irrespective of distance." **Nikola Tesla (1925)**



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