

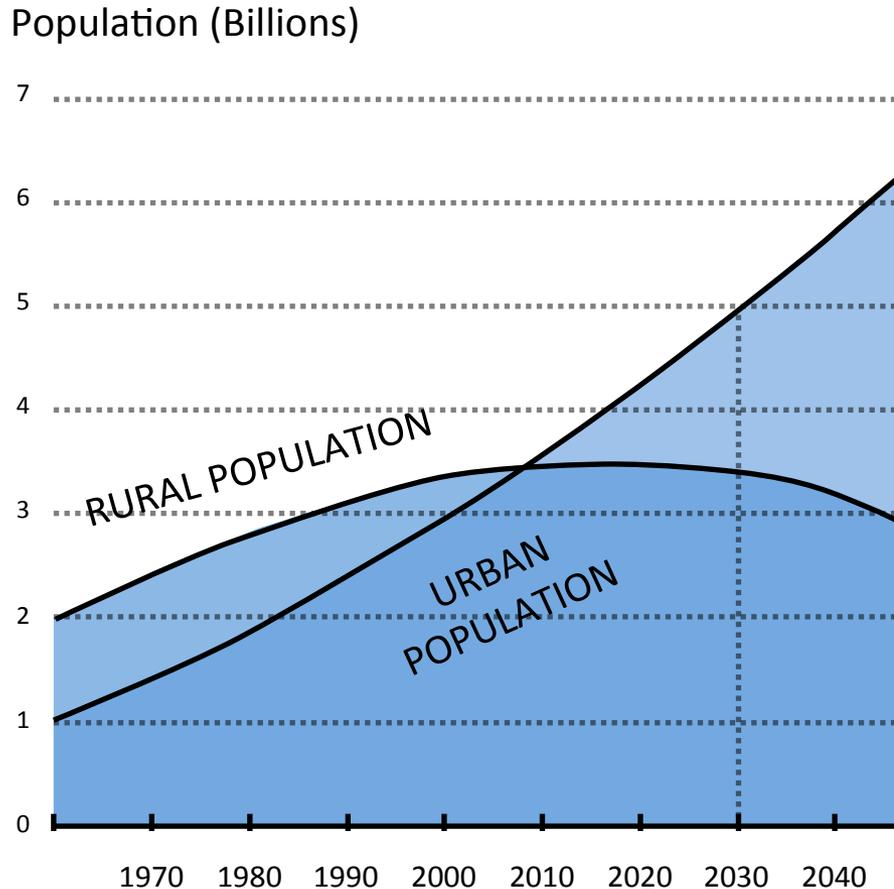


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## Simulation Platforms for Low Carbon Decision Making

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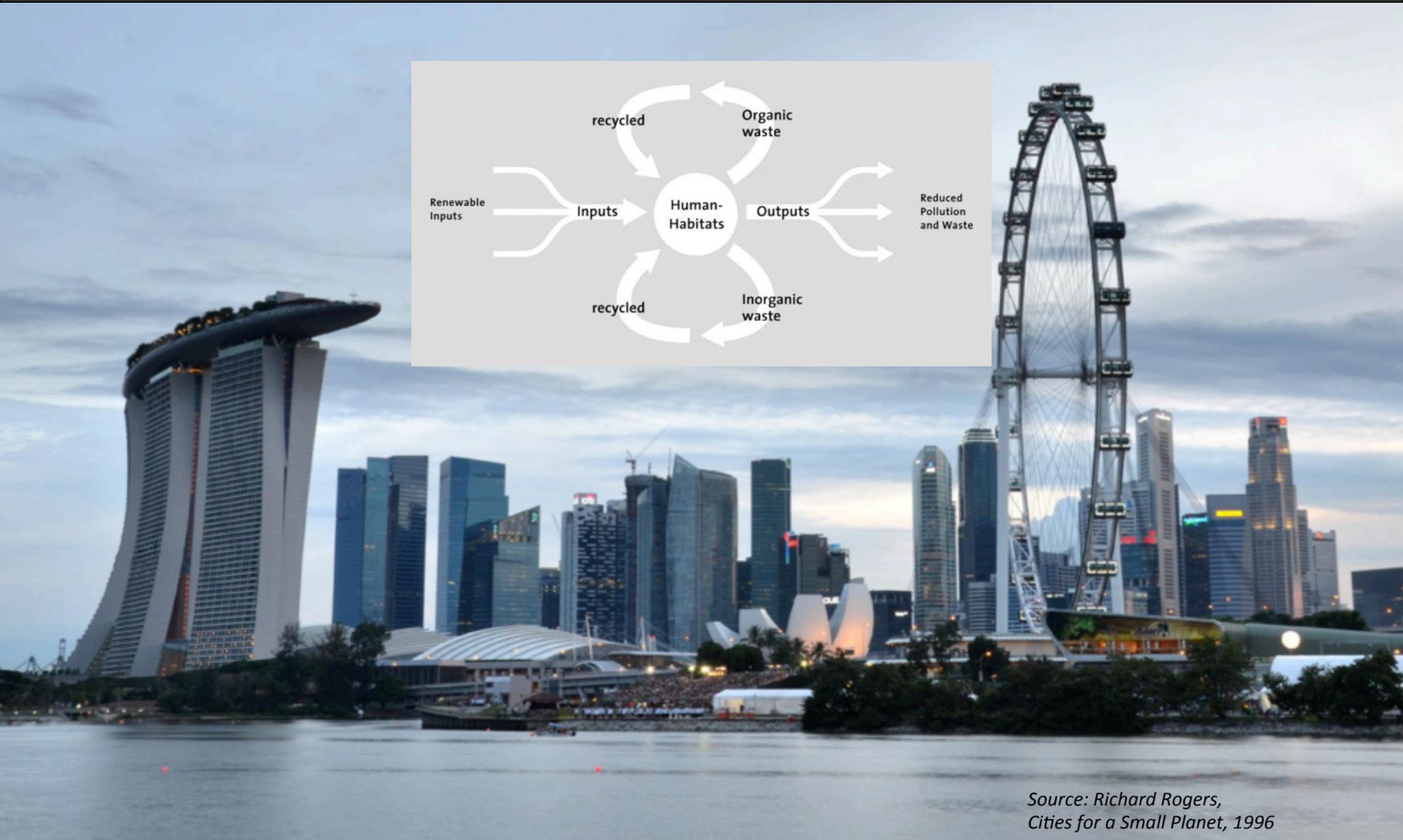
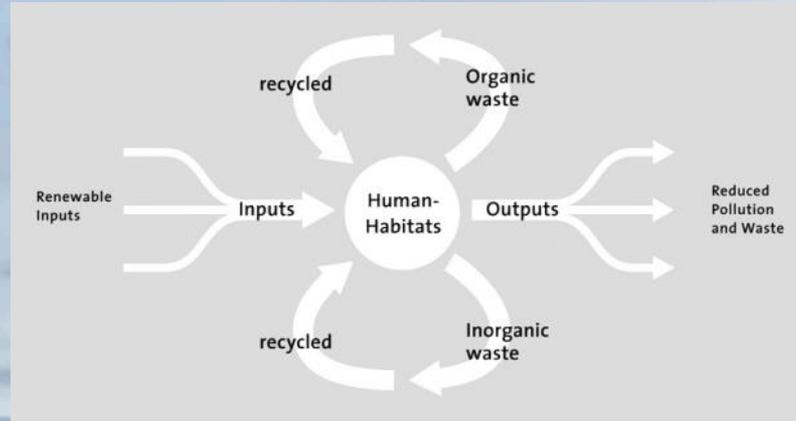
*Expected urban and rural population growth*

Source: GeoHive

Urbanization is continuing, but coming to an end.

We need to better understand how large cities are functioning in order to be able to design and plan more sustainable urban environments.





Source: Richard Rogers,  
*Cities for a Small Planet*, 1996

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## SMALL

BUILDING TECHNOLOGY

LOW EXERGY

DIGITAL FABRICATION

A/P ARCHITECTURE & CONSTRUCTION

## MEDIUM

URBAN DESIGN

TRANSFORMING & MINING URBAN STOCKS

HOUSING

URBAN DESIGN STRATEGIES & RESOURCES

URBAN SOCIOLOGY

A/P ARCHITECTURE & URBAN PLANNING

## LARGE

TERRITORIAL PLANNING

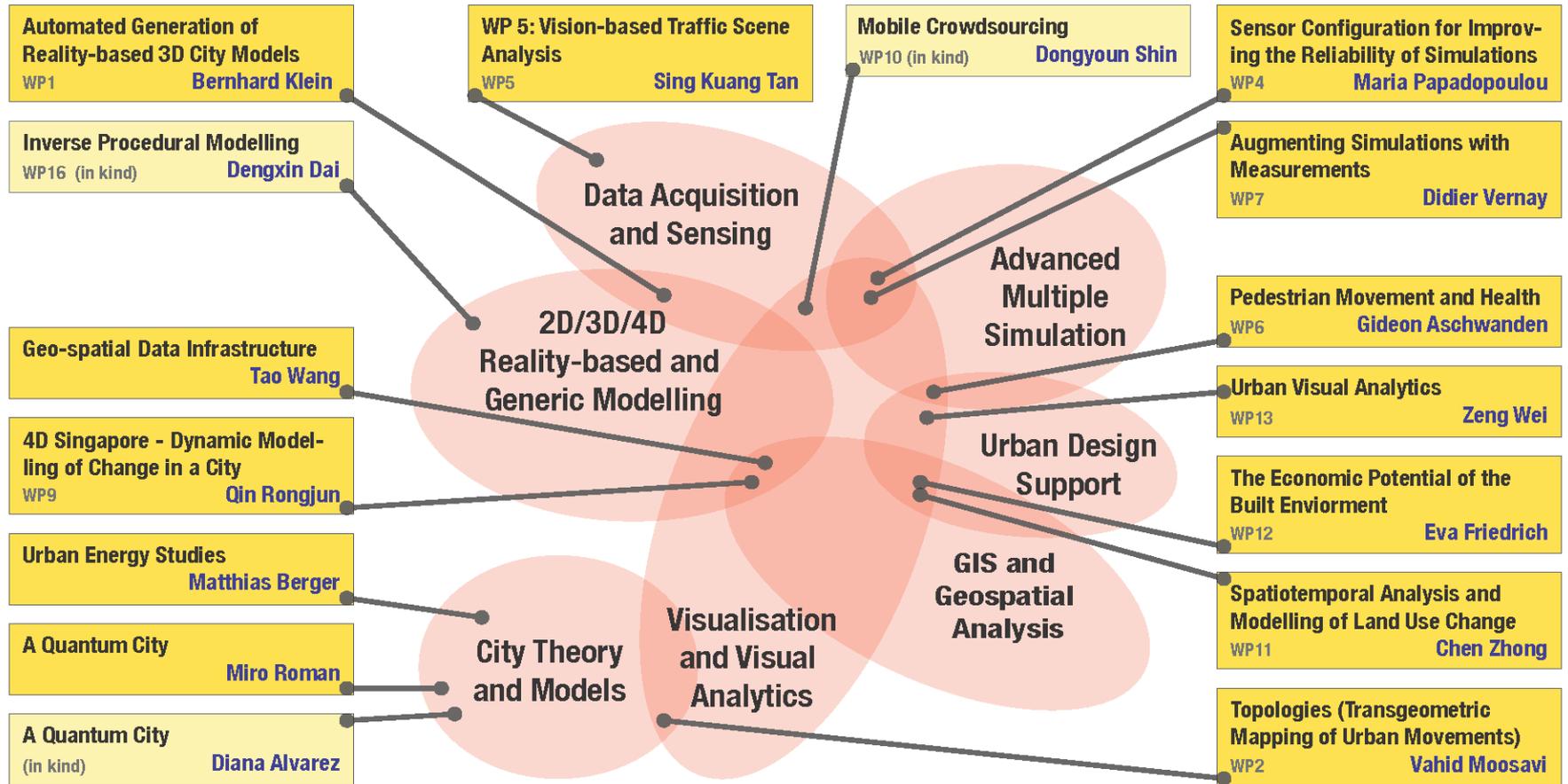
TERRITORIAL ORGANISATION

LANDSCAPE ECOLOGY

MOBILITY & TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

A/P ARCHITECTURE & TERRITORIAL PLANNING

SIMULATION PLATFORM



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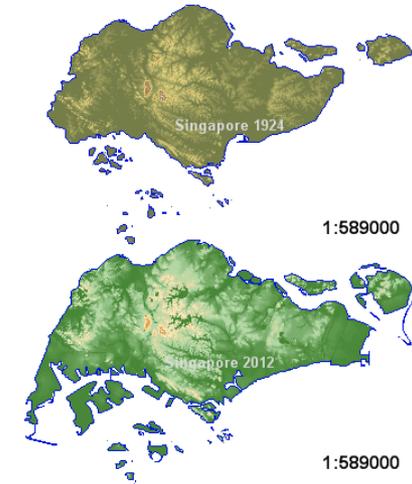
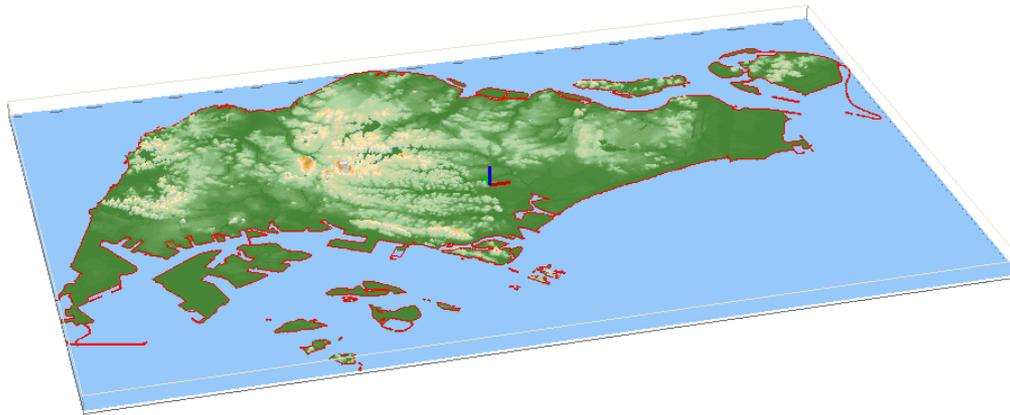
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## Dynamics and Transformation of Singapore's Topography from 1924 to 2012



Simulation of the transformation of topographic surface from 1924 to 2012 based on digital elevation models of two years and coast lines of 12 separate years reconstructed from topographic maps. The simulation is based on a modified geo-morphing algorithm.

The digital elevation data has been used in the synergy project "Transforming Topographies", together with Module III Professor Uta Hassler and assistant Professor Milica Topalovic. The National Archives of Singapore and the Mapping Unit of the Ministry of Defence are gratefully acknowledged as data sources.

## Urban Monitoring with Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)

3D campus map of the National University of Singapore.

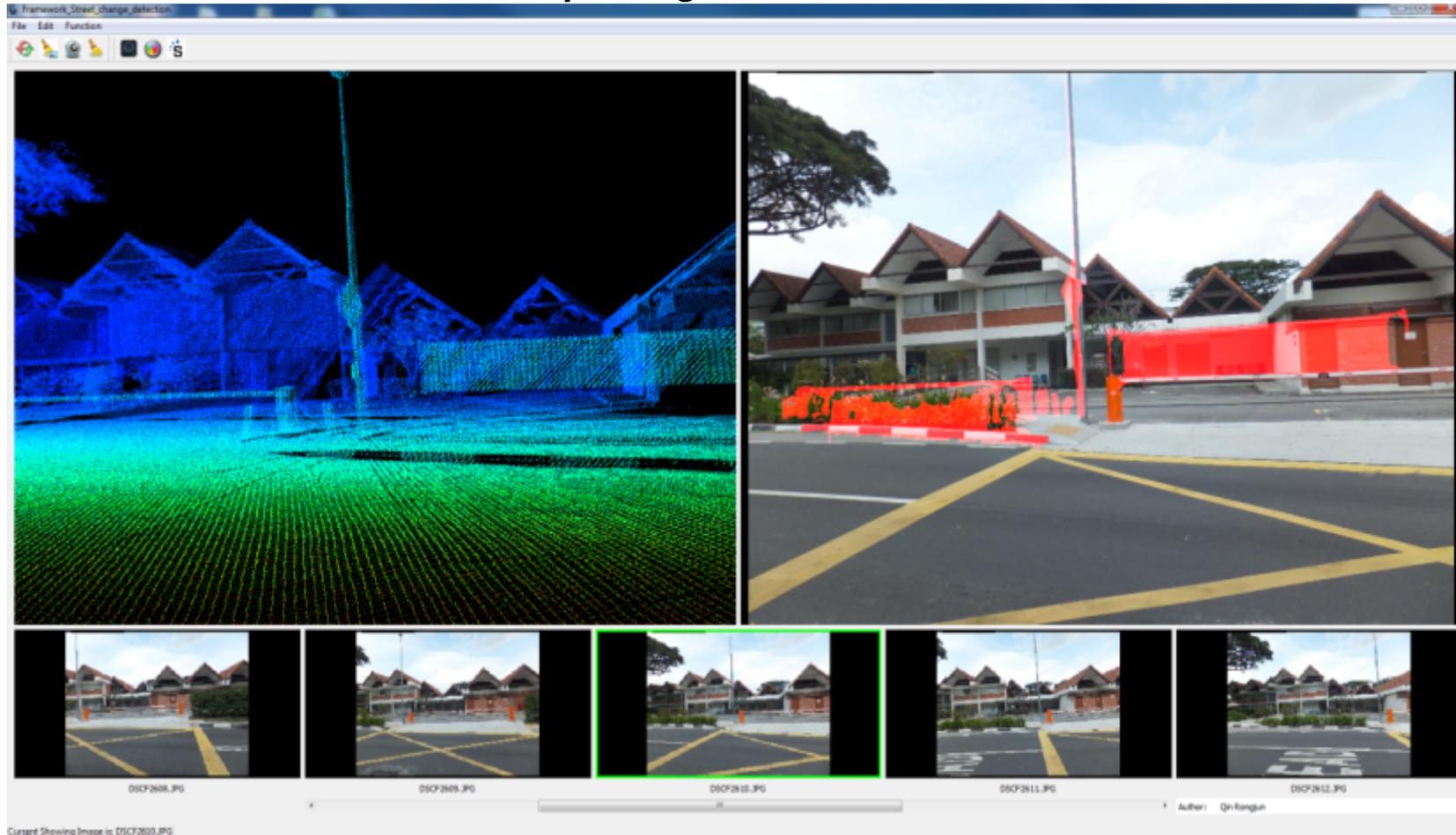


## Urban Monitoring with Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)

UAVs are a flexible platform to acquire high resolution information for small scale urban applications. We develop techniques to monitor small-scale changes in urban environments or to identify Dengue hotspots.



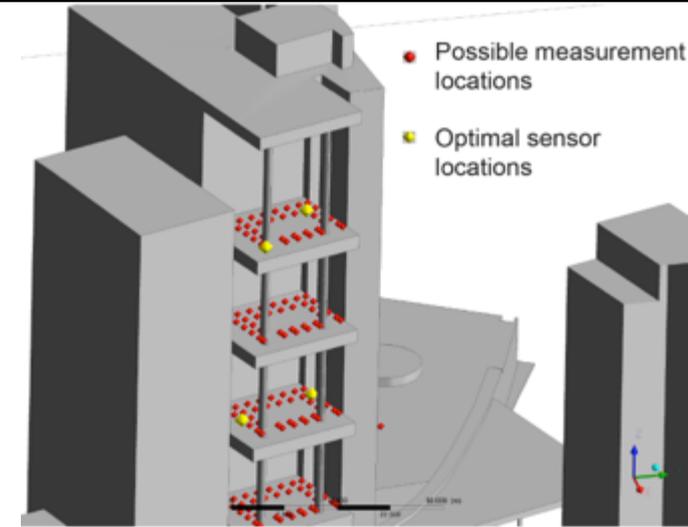
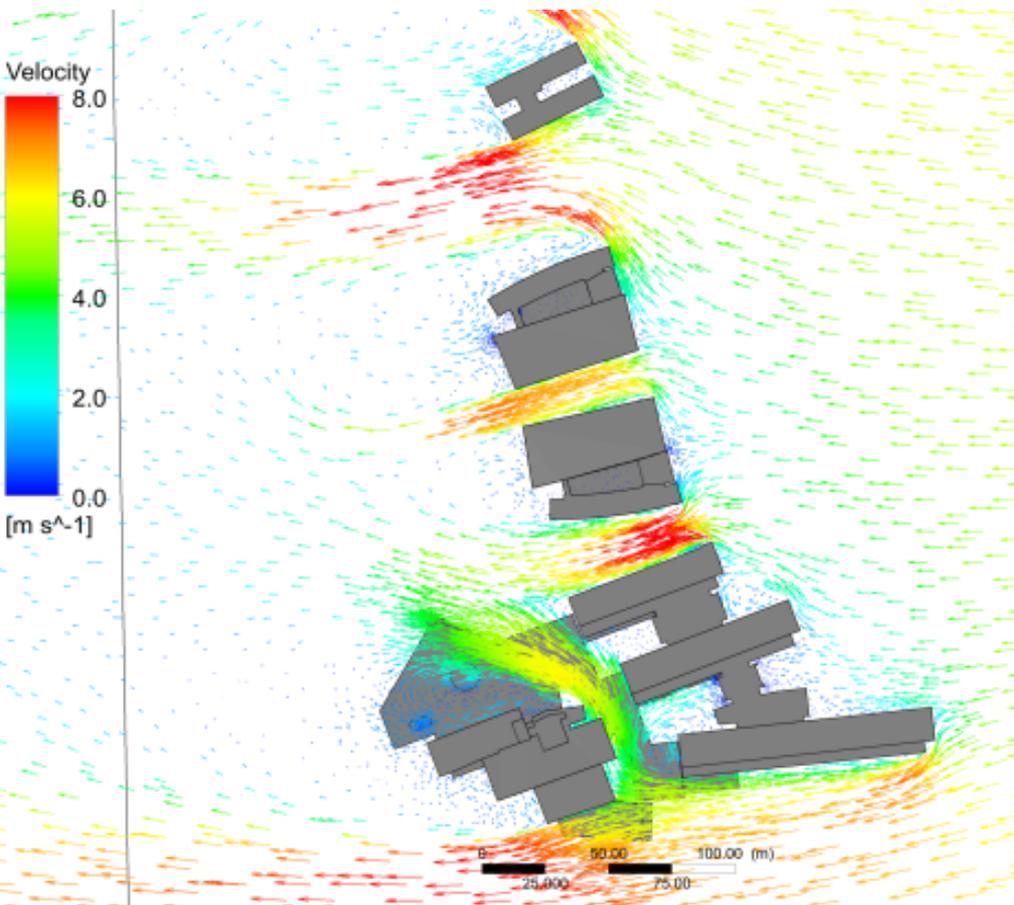
## Change Detection at Street Level for Urban Facility Management



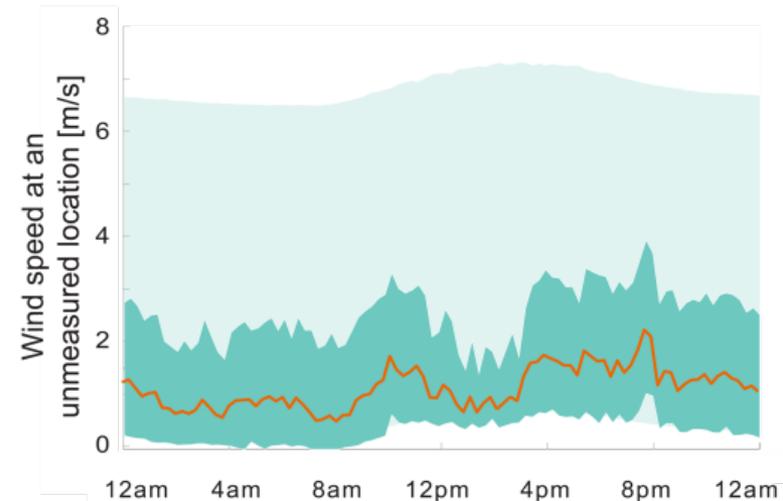
Using geospatial technologies, changes happen at the street side can be efficiently detected. It has the potential to release the labor effort to visit on site for checking facility damages, illegal dumping. Mobile Mapping Systems (Vehicles equipped with laser scanner and mass image acquisition system) could help to rapidly acquire 3D information. We develop algorithms to detect the differences of the 3D data captured from different period, which could serve as a tool to locate the changes with minimal effort.

## Prediction of Airflow around High-rise Buildings

Measurement data are employed to improve Computational-Fluid Dynamics predictions optimal sensor locations are locations with the highest information content (entropy-measure).



- Prediction ranges **before** measurements
- Prediction ranges **after** measurements
- Mean values **after** measurements



An aerial photograph of a city, likely Singapore, showing a mix of high-rise skyscrapers and lower-rise residential blocks. The buildings are densely packed, with a central area featuring a grid of streets and a prominent road with traffic. The sky is clear and blue.

Key Message:

*Information is needed as basic input in models and simulations based on bottom-up engineering.*

*Contrary, BigData is strong in black-box models.*

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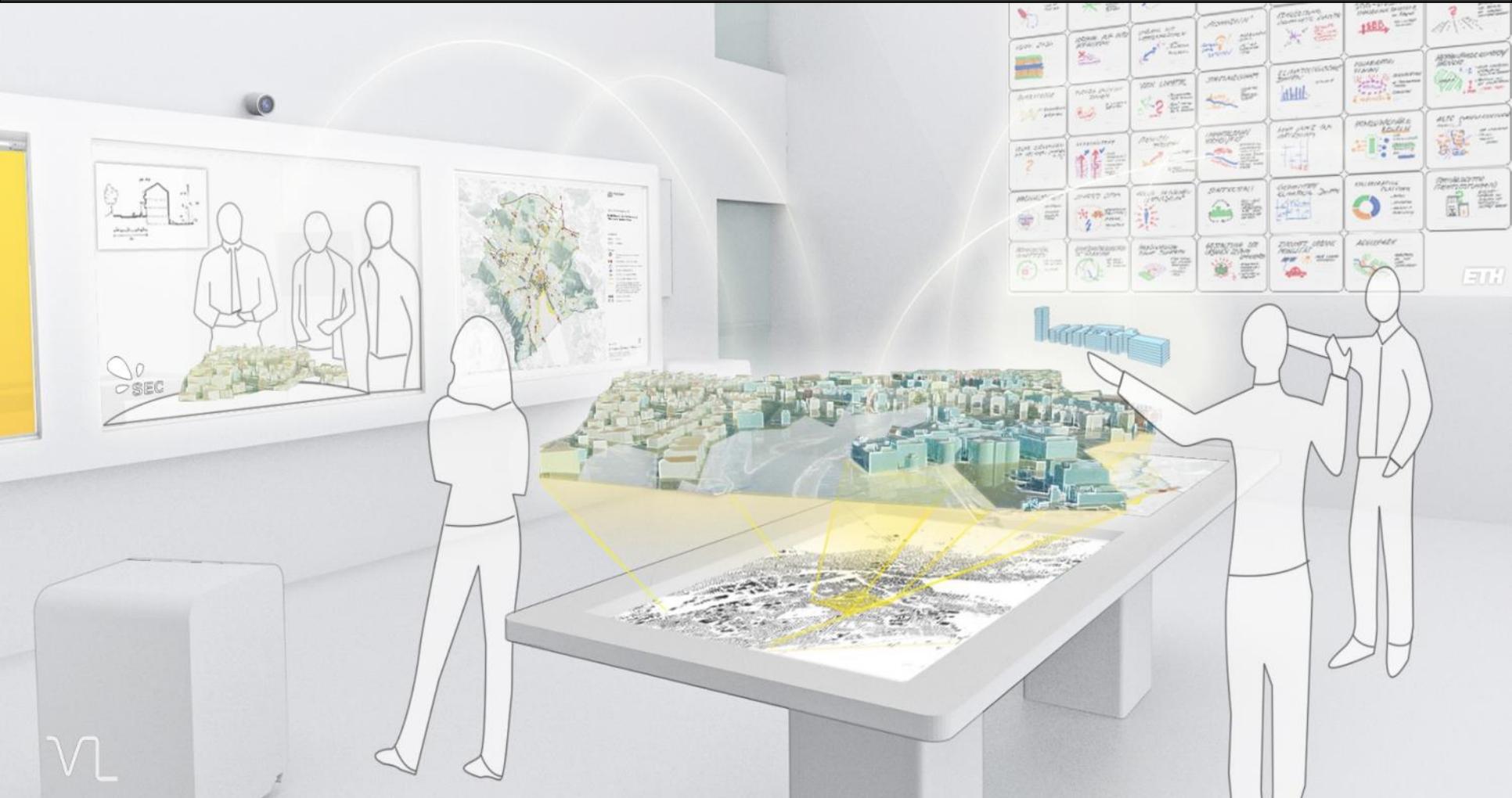
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*Drawing: Lukas Treyer, ETH Zürich, 2005*



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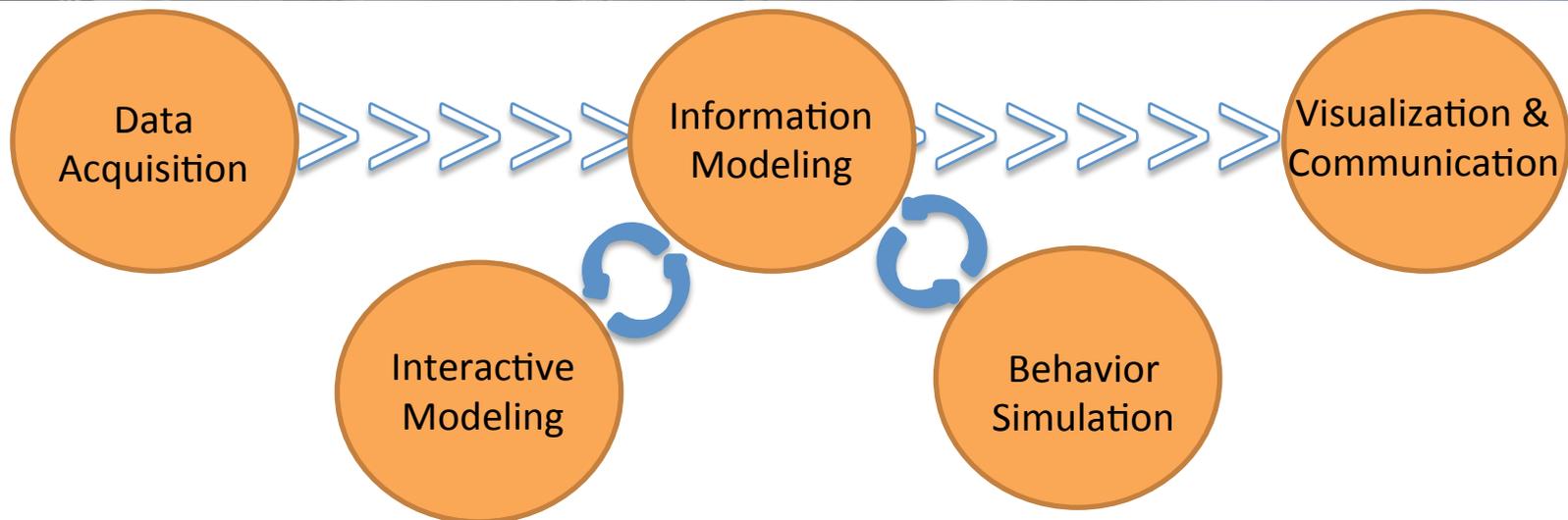
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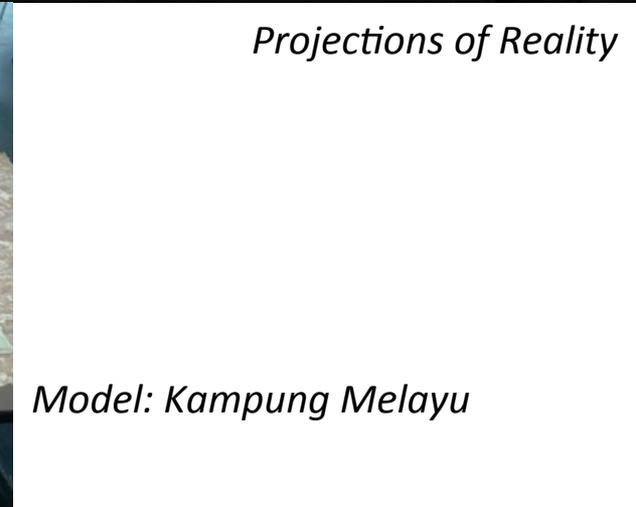
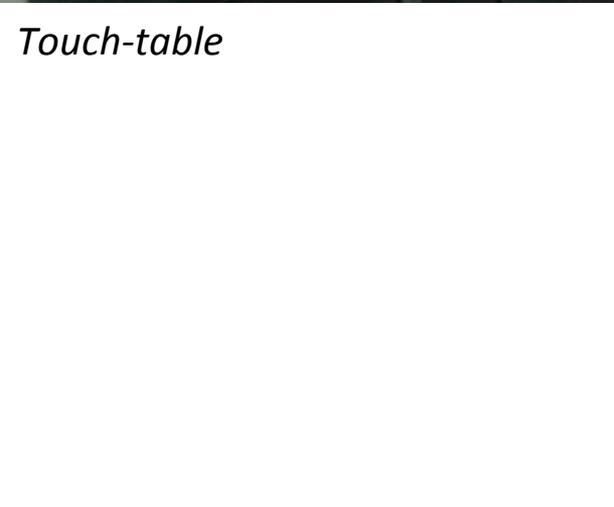
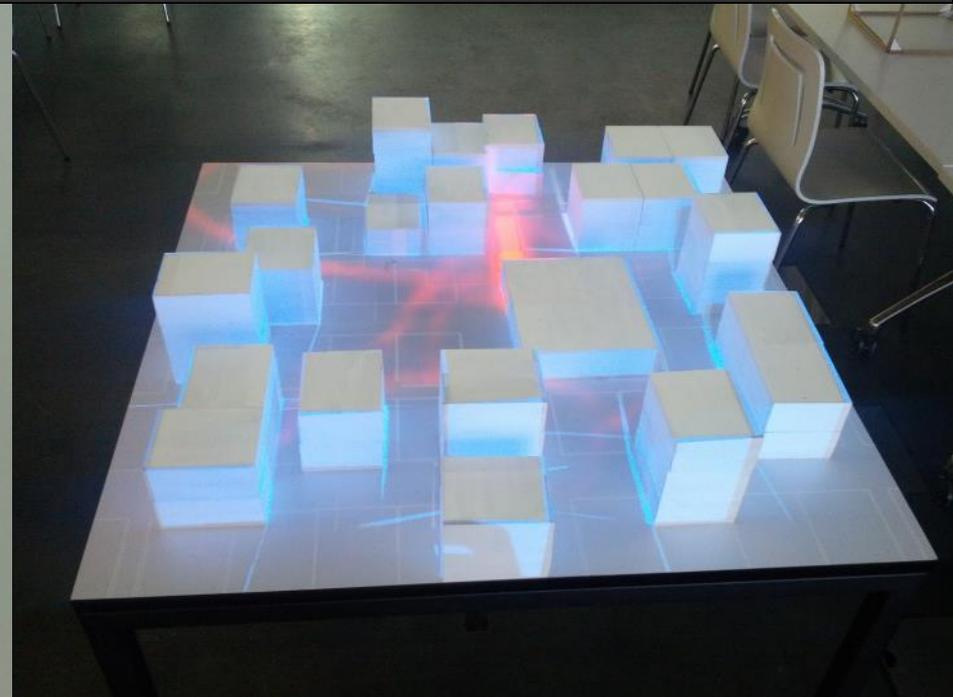
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*Touch-table*

*Projections of Reality*

*Model: Kampung Melayu*



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A hand is shown interacting with a large, interactive digital display. The display shows a complex network visualization with numerous nodes and connecting lines. The nodes are primarily red and green, and the lines are white and green. The background is dark, and the overall scene suggests a high-tech or data-driven environment.

Key Message:

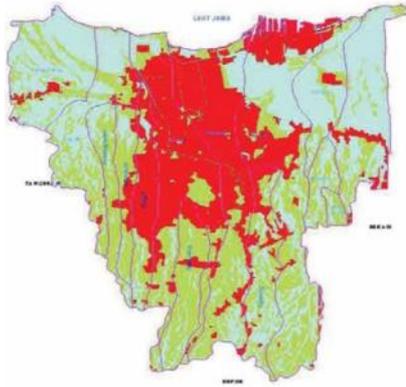
*Transforming data and information into knowledge can be enhanced by interactive visualizations and workspaces.*

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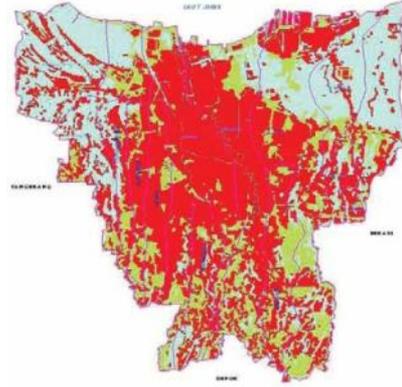
Jakarta in 1930



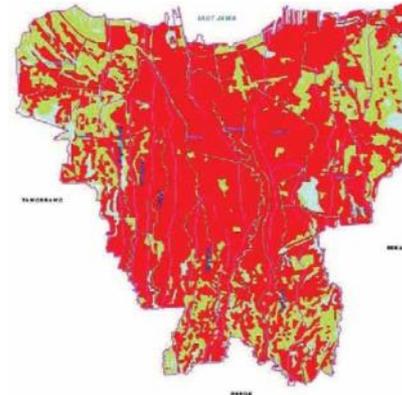
## Population Growth



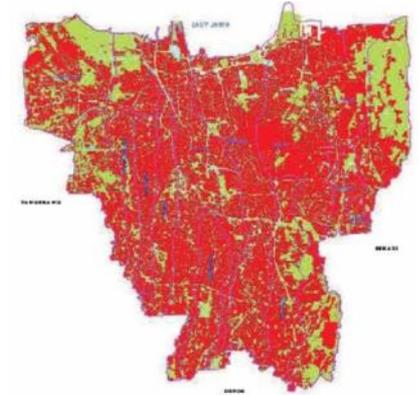
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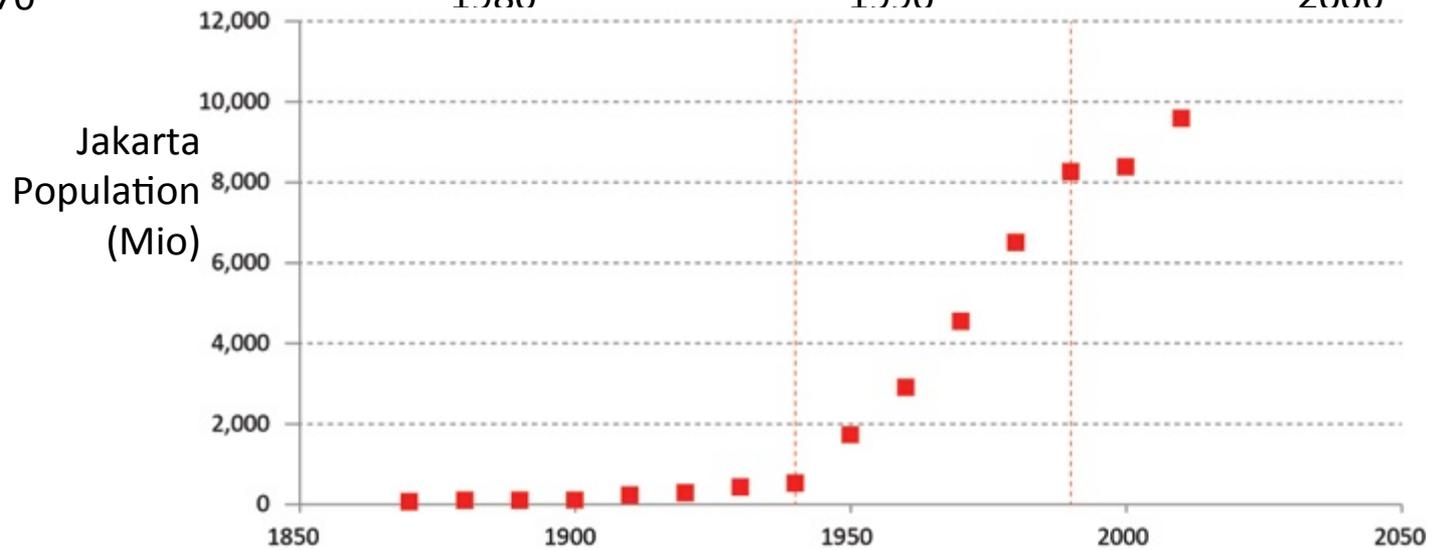
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## Urban Analysis: Stocks and Flows of Finance



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**EKONOMI DOMESTIK**

**ANGGOTA KELUARGA 1**

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Asal Kelurahan/Kota																	
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**ANGGOTA KELUARGA 2**

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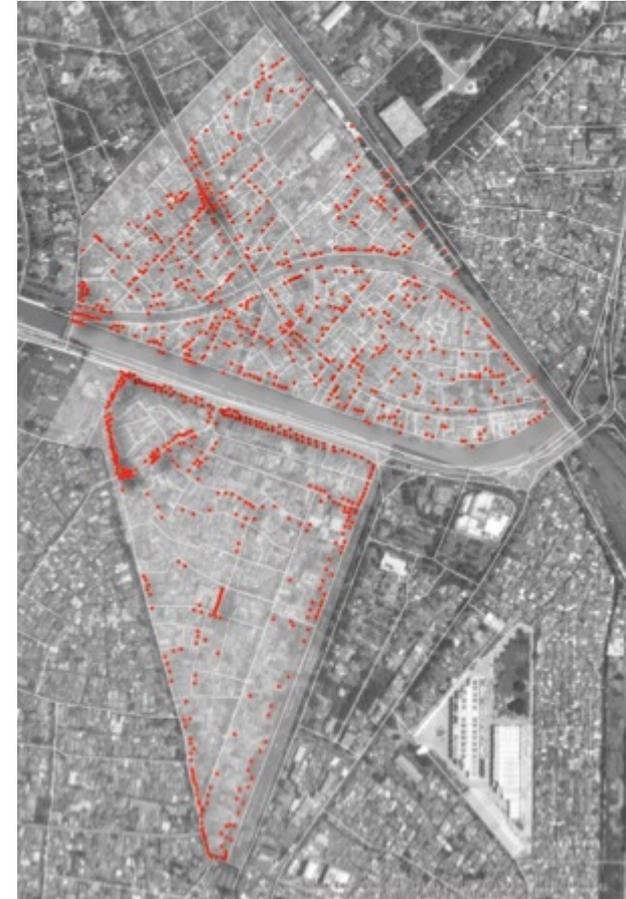
Business Survey in three Kampung in Jakarta



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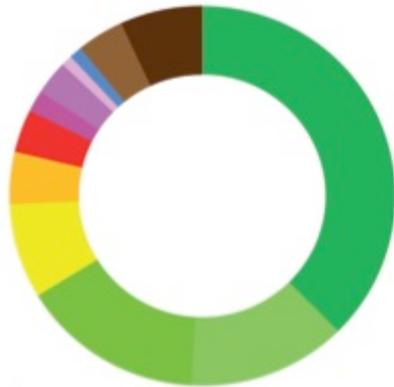


Kampung Bali



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## Business Activities in Different Urban Settings



0.17 shops per inhabitant

- daily needs
- restaurant
- food + drink
- multi-purpose
- services
- mobile phone + internet
- clothes, shoes, tailoring
- beauty, fitness
- decoration, stationery
- medical
- building materials and supplies
- mechanical, workshop, machinery



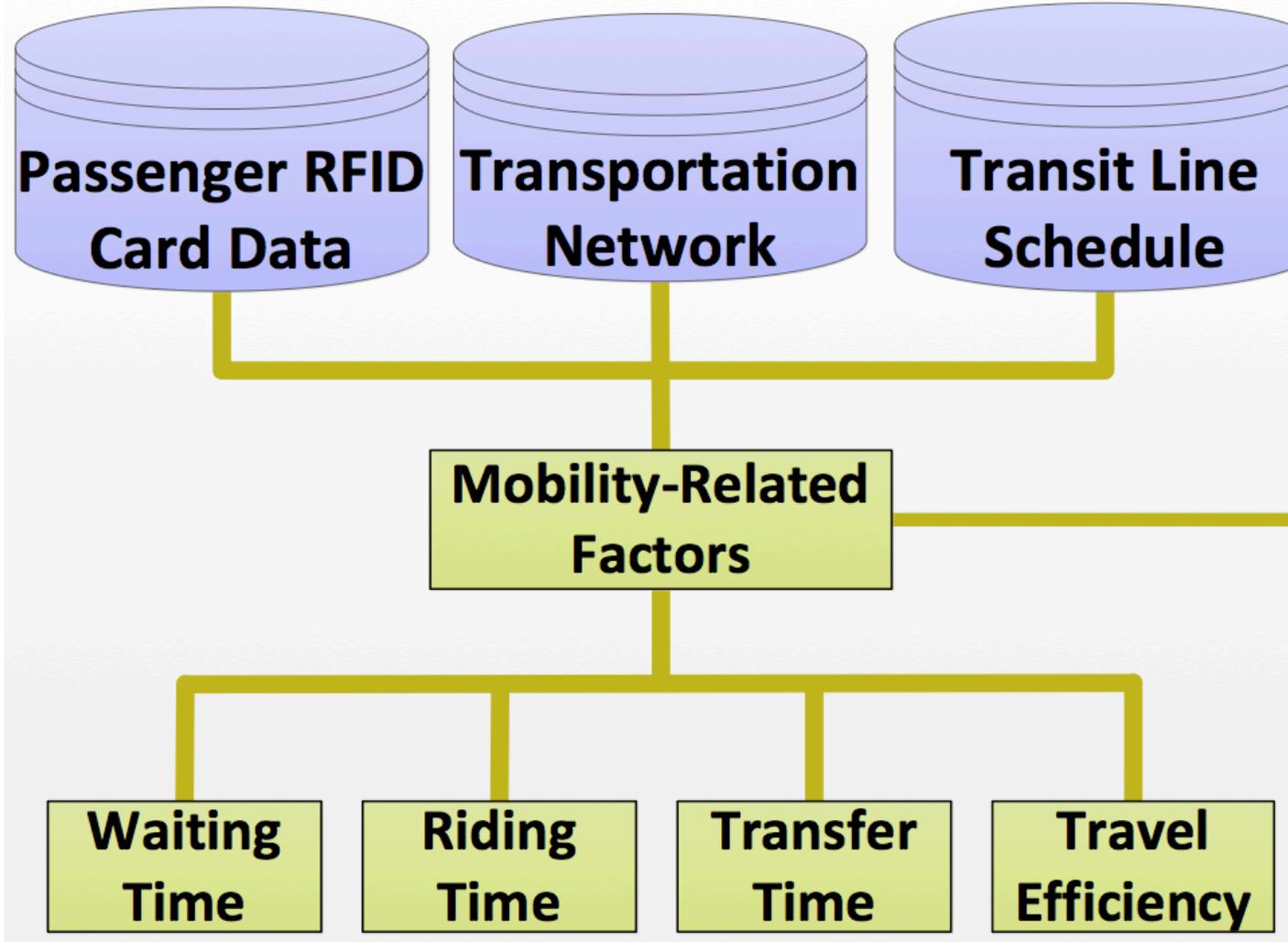
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## Visual Analytics: How People Move...





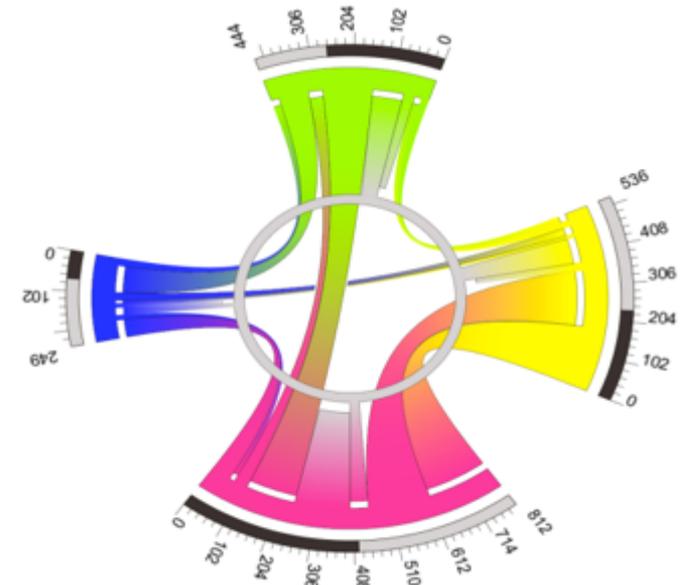
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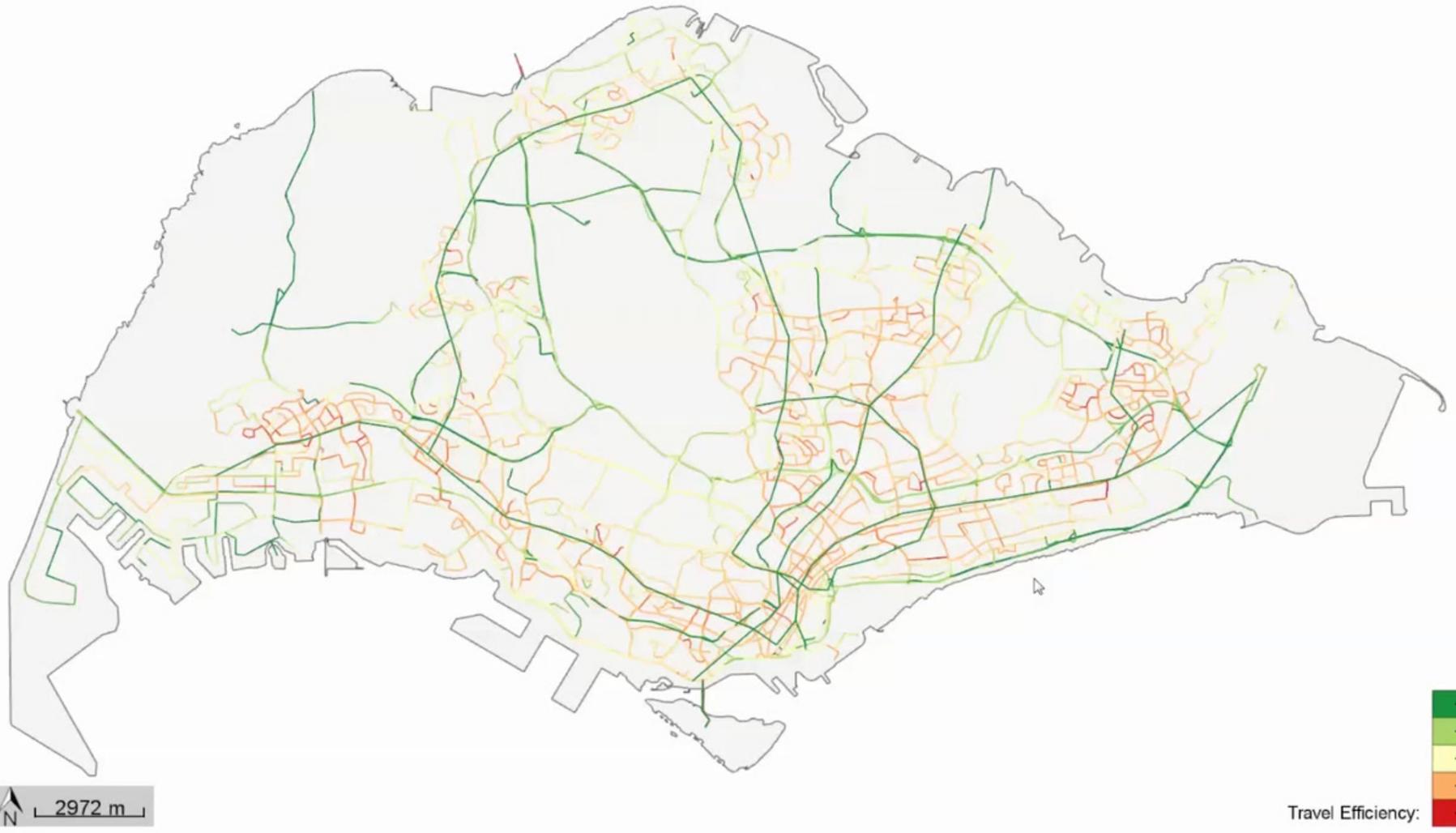


## Visual Analytics: Interchange Patterns

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Video: Zeng Wei, Future Cities Laboratory, 2014



Key Message:

*Urban planning requires a long-term vision and suitable tools for extrapolation of future trends.*



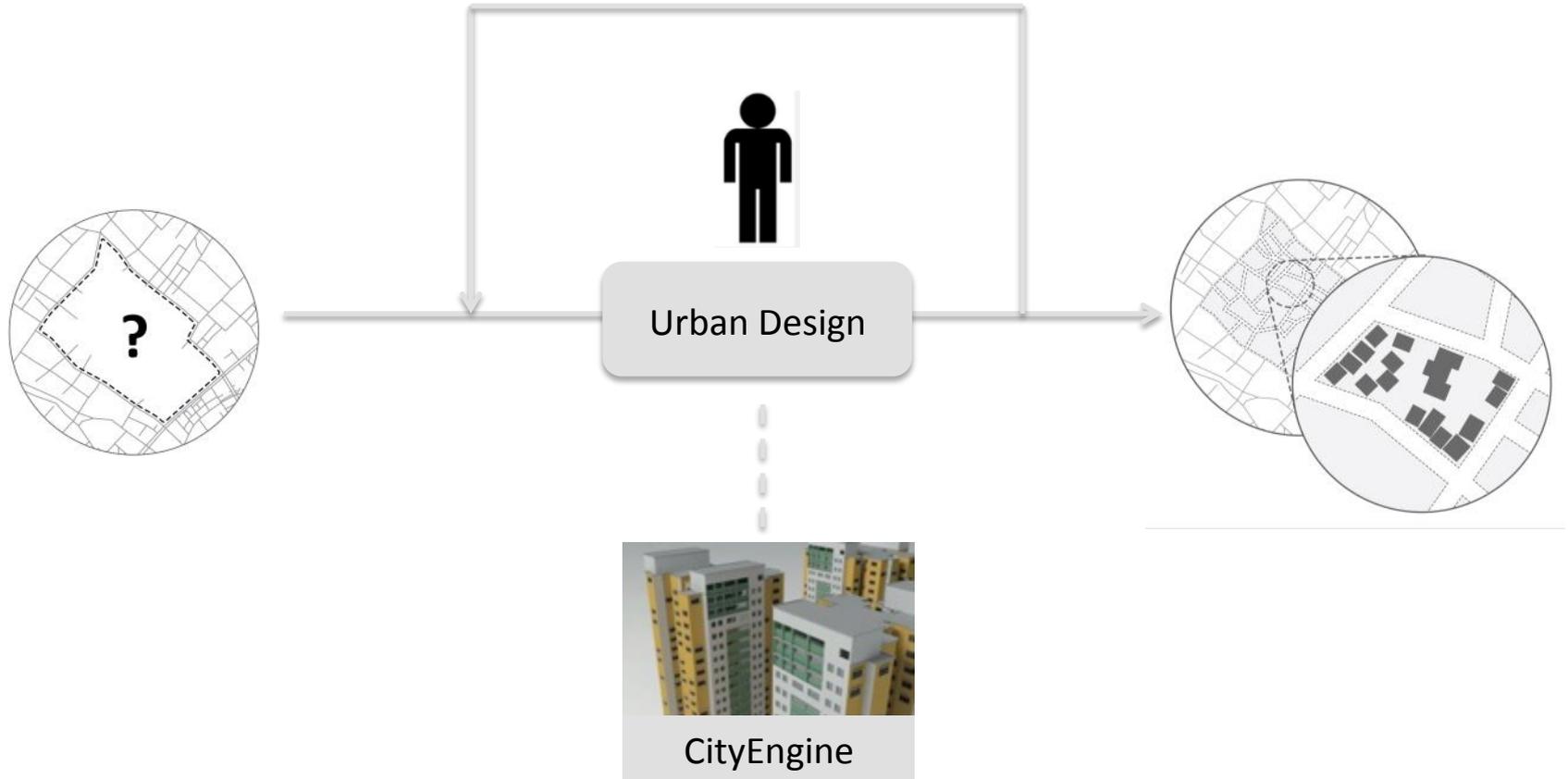
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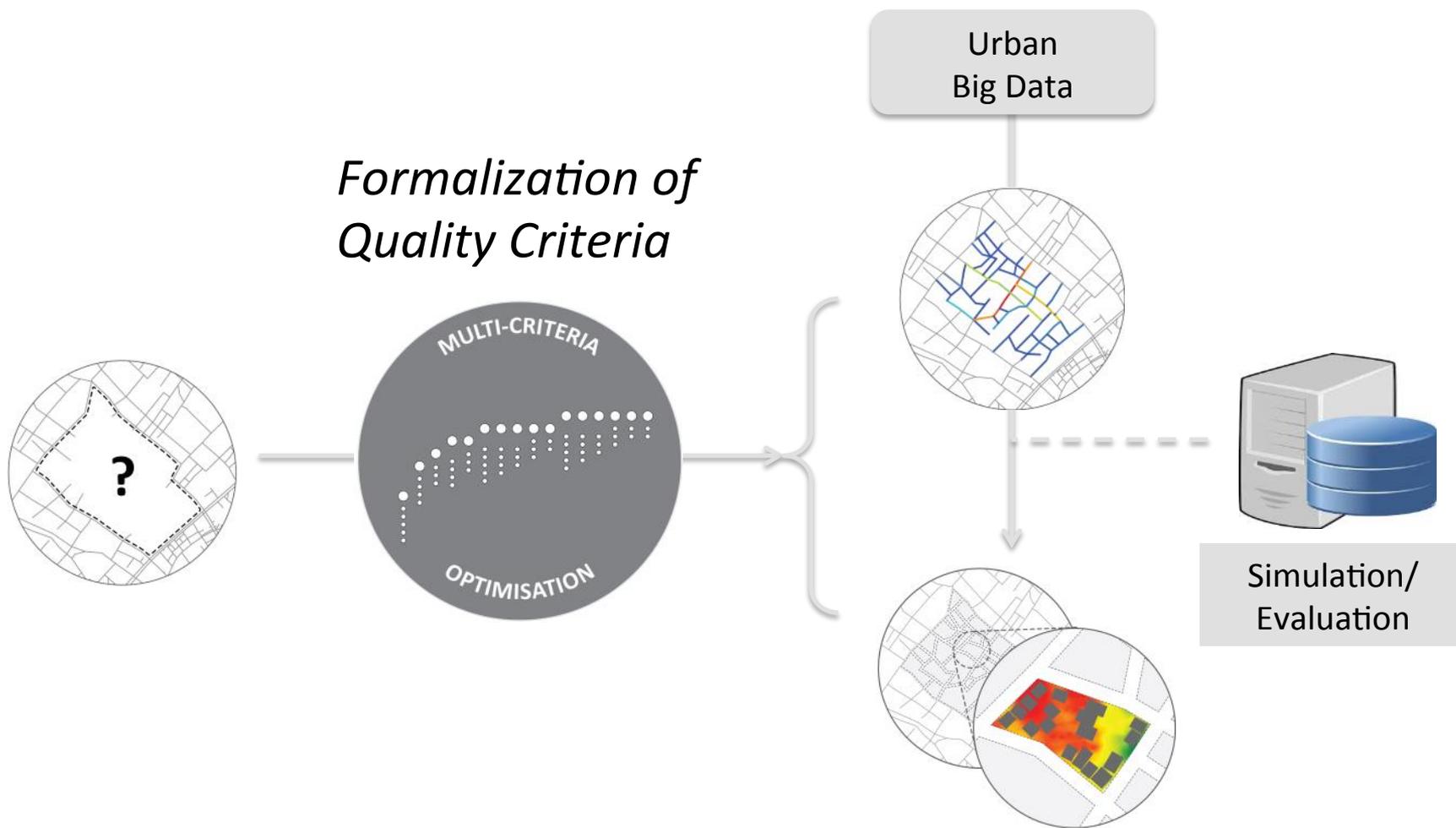
## Design Space Exploration for Urban Compaction

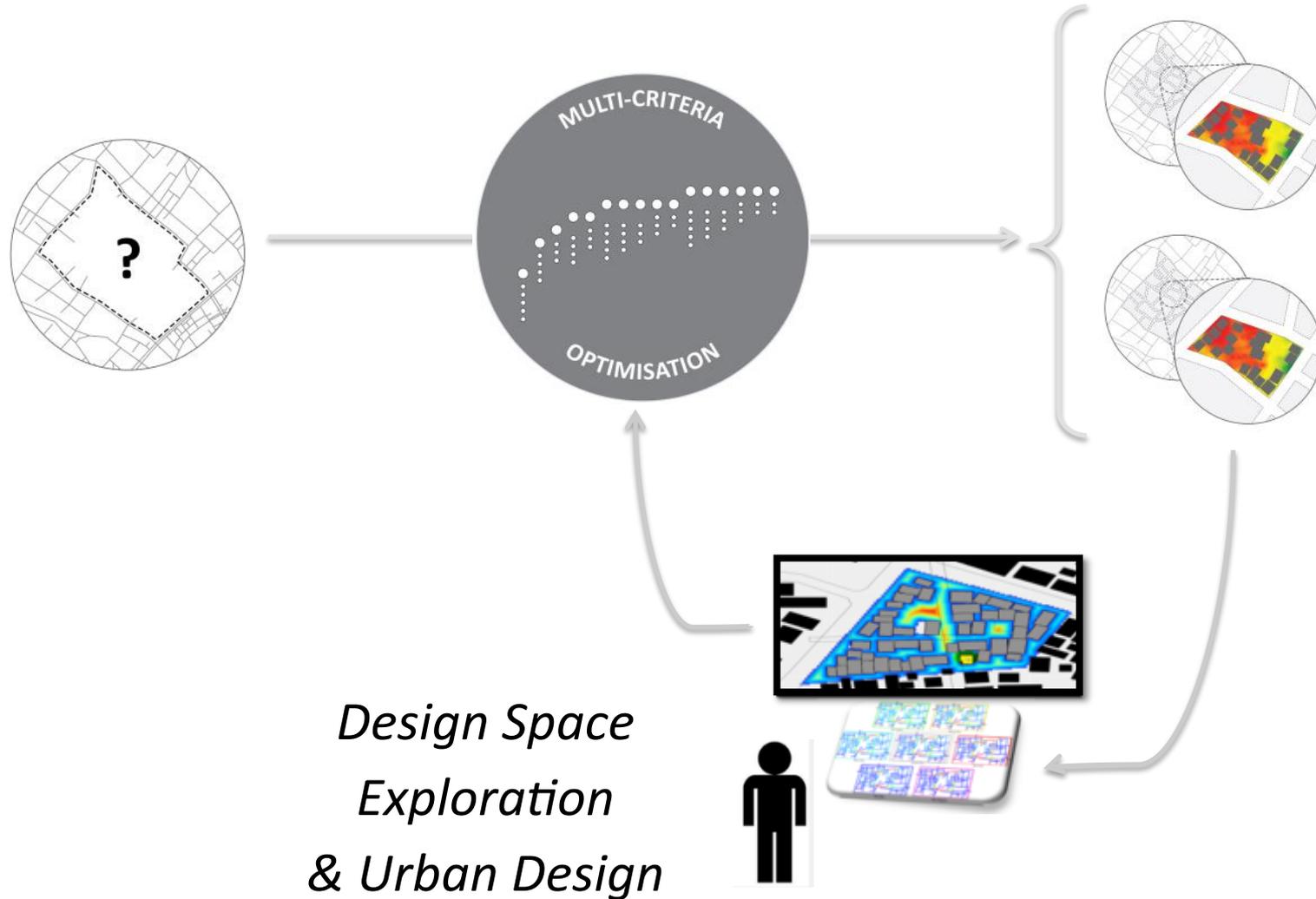
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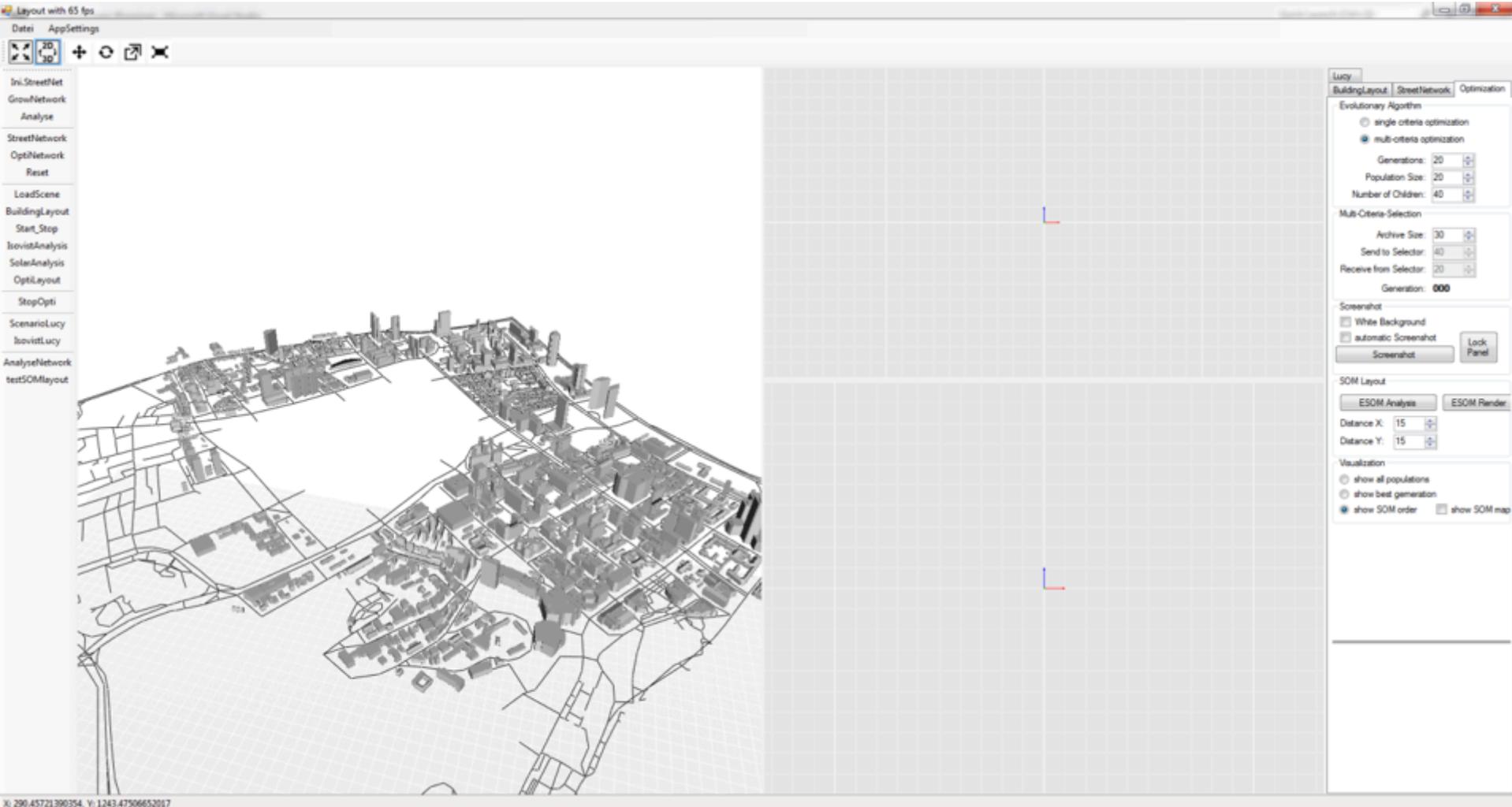


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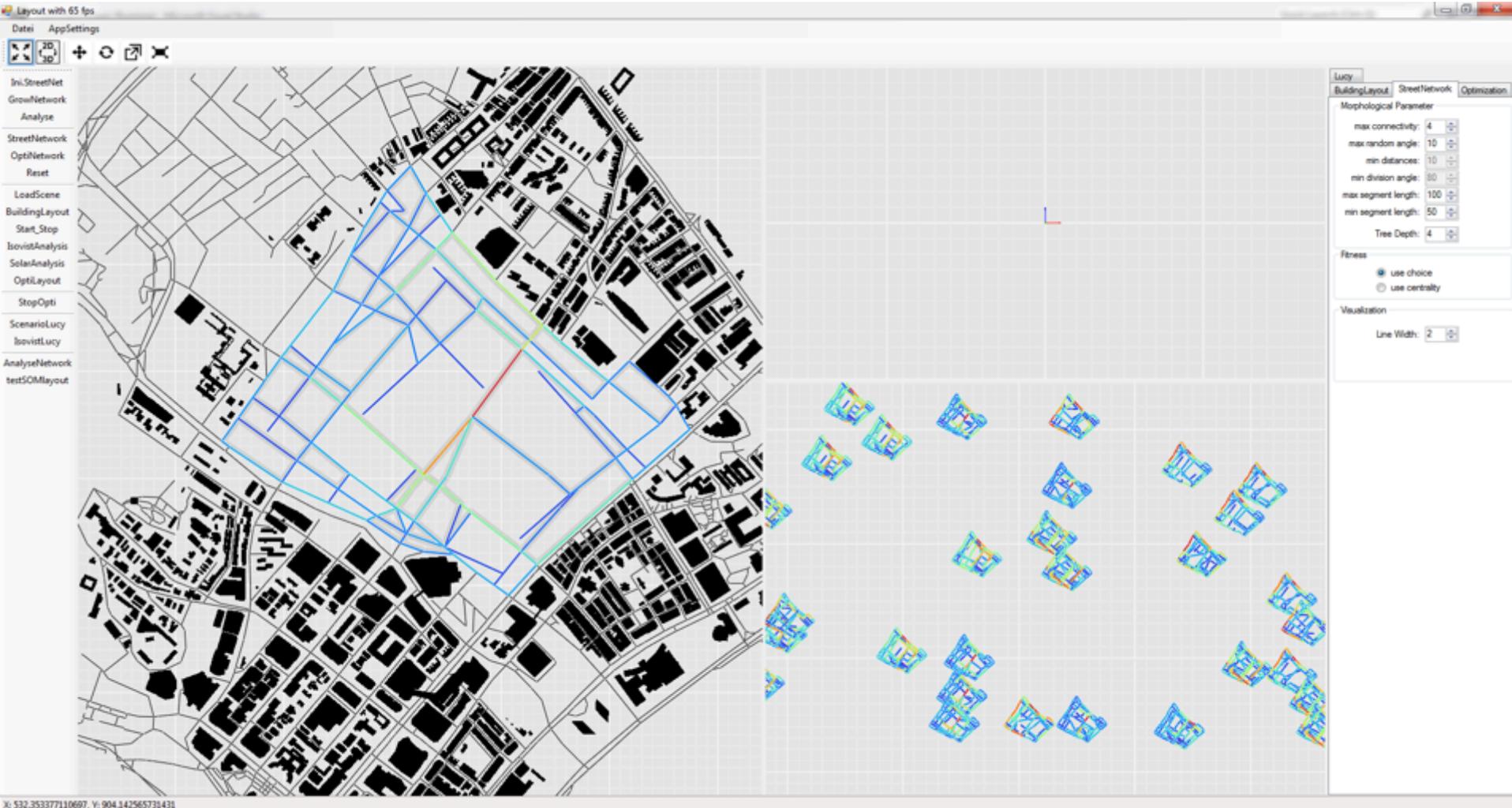




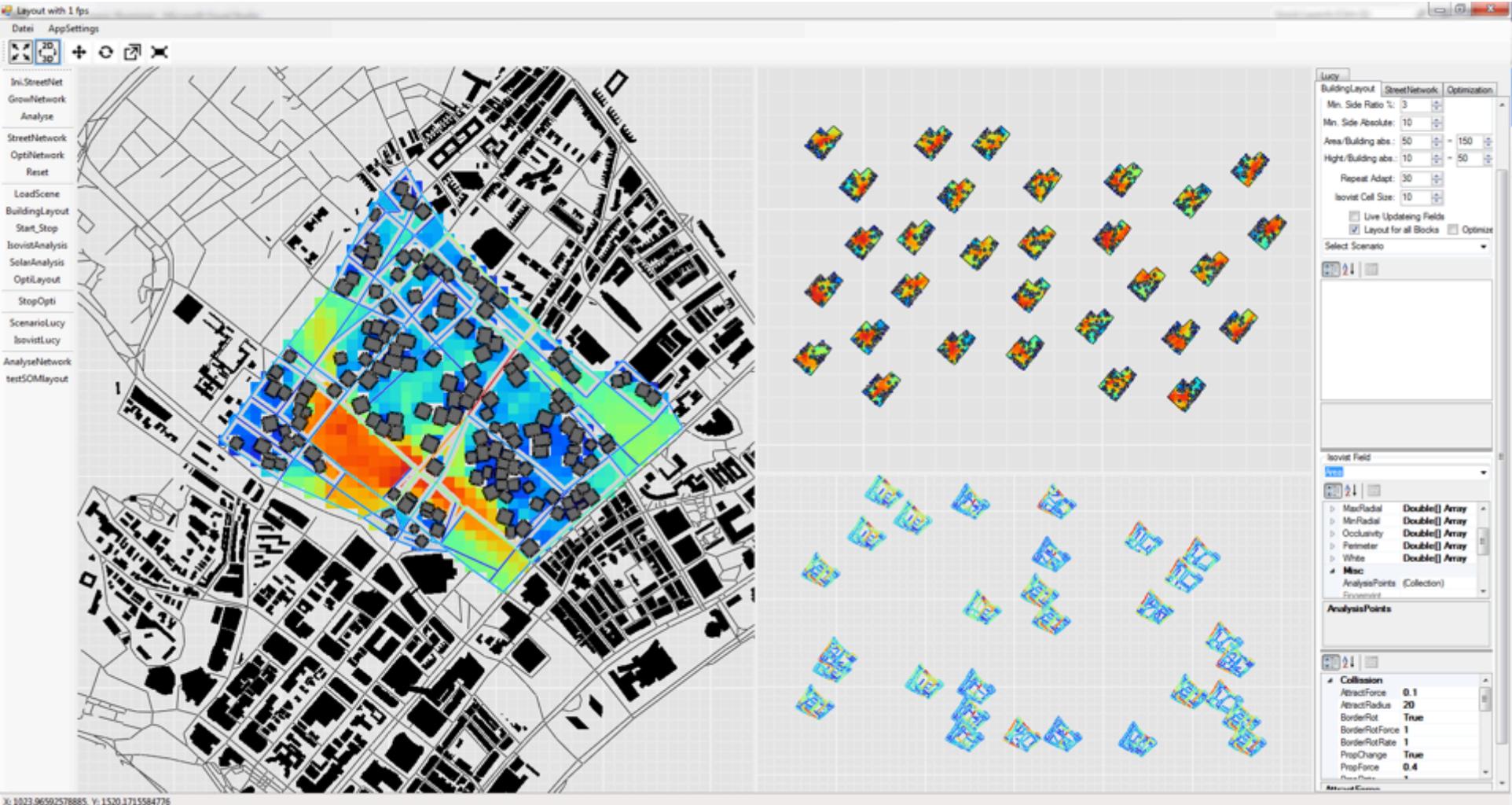




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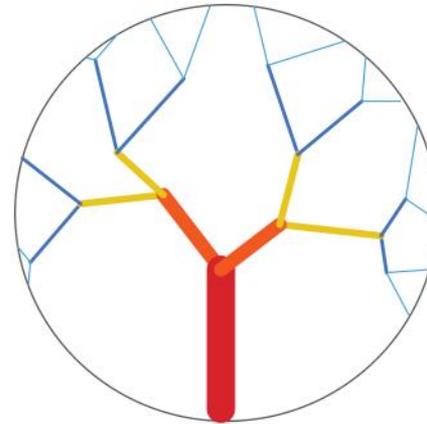
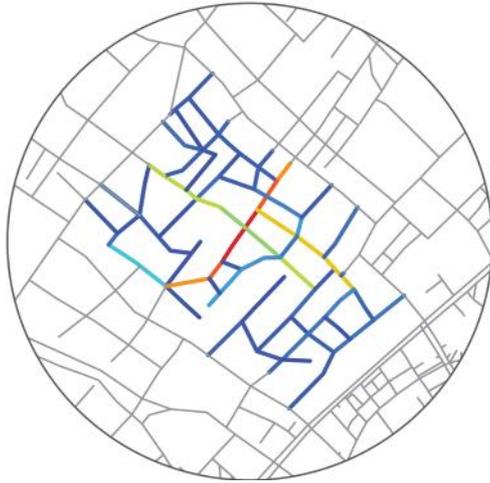


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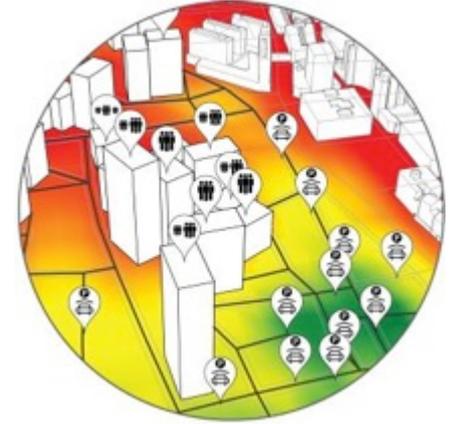


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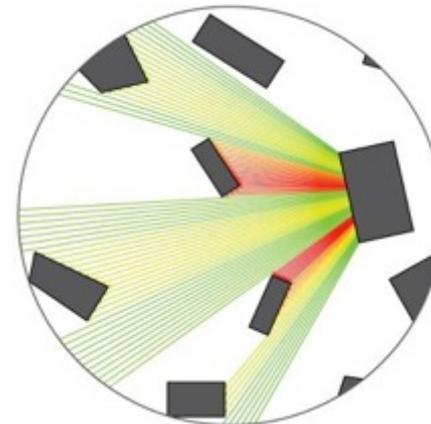
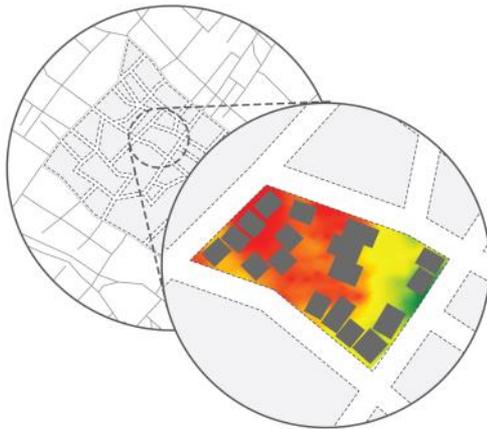
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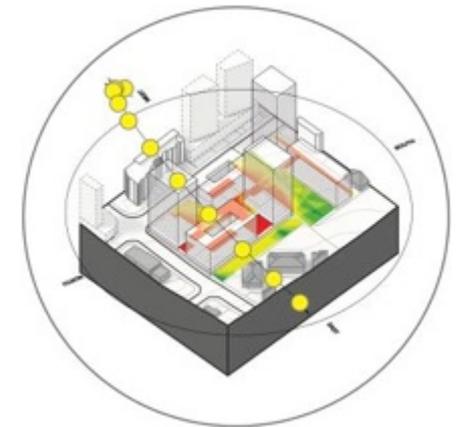
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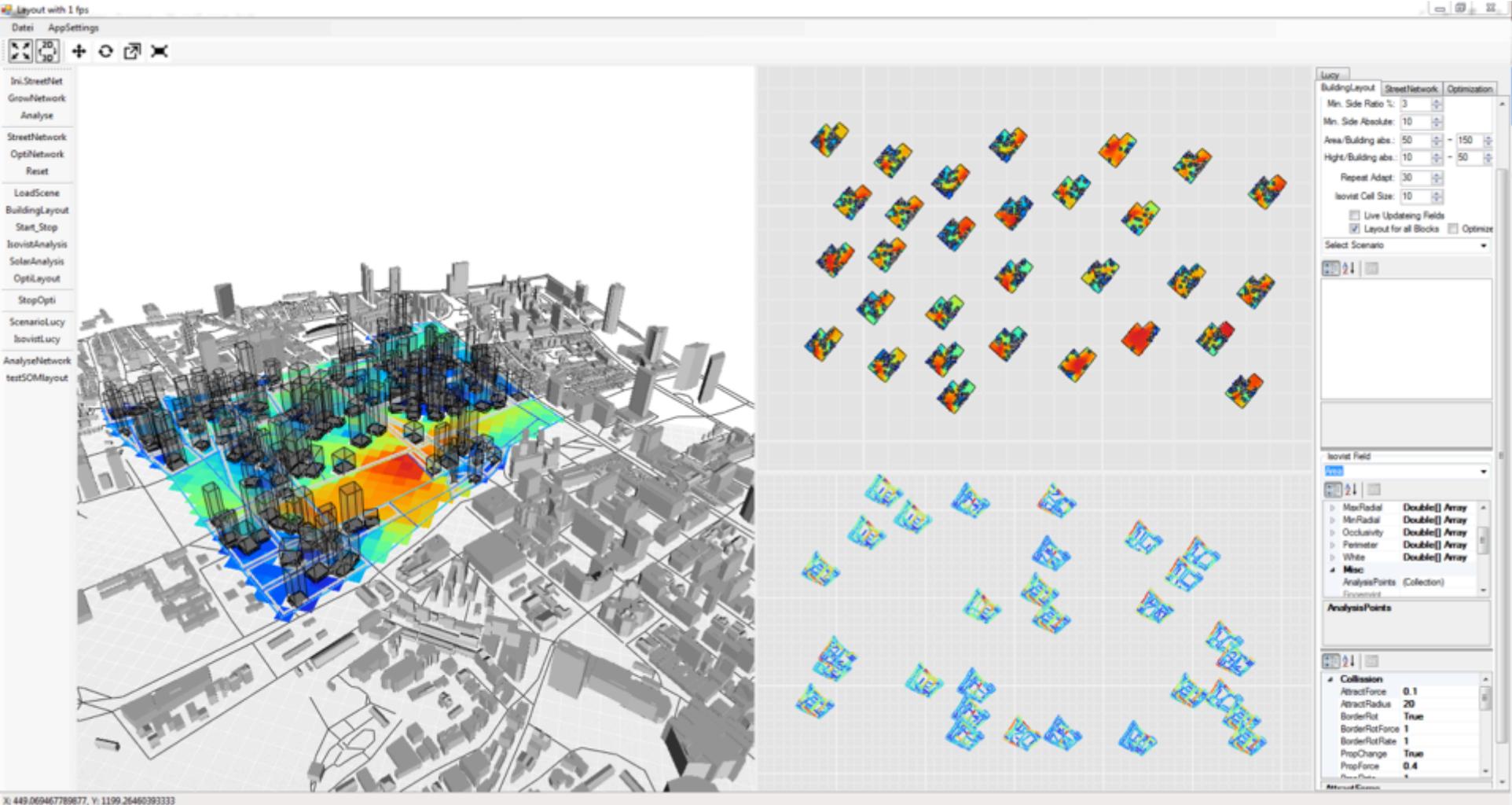
Parking availability



Privacy



Solar energy



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# Inclusive, cooler cities: A different take on liveability

**WHAT MAKES A CITY ATTRACTIVE?**

It is a common fallacy that the more greenery a city has, the more liveable it is. The fact is that greenery is only one of many factors that make a city attractive. A city's liveability is determined by a combination of factors, including its infrastructure, social services, and environmental quality. A city that is inclusive and cooler is more likely to be a liveable city. A city that is inclusive is one that provides equal opportunities for all its citizens, regardless of their background or social status. A city that is cooler is one that has a pleasant climate and good air quality. A city that is inclusive and cooler is more likely to attract and retain a diverse and talented workforce, which is essential for economic growth and innovation.

**GOOD GOVERNANCE**

Another important factor in determining a city's liveability is its governance. A city with good governance is one that is transparent, accountable, and efficient. A city with good governance is more likely to provide high-quality public services and infrastructure, which are essential for a city's liveability. A city with good governance is also more likely to be inclusive and cooler, as it is more likely to invest in green infrastructure and social services that benefit all its citizens.

**PROGRESSIVE POLICIES**

A city that is inclusive and cooler is more likely to have progressive policies in place. A city with progressive policies is one that is forward-thinking and innovative. A city with progressive policies is more likely to invest in green infrastructure and social services that benefit all its citizens. A city with progressive policies is also more likely to be inclusive and cooler, as it is more likely to provide equal opportunities for all its citizens and to have a pleasant climate and good air quality.

A different take on liveability

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# Nothing random about 'familiar strangers'

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# Saving Jakarta from flooding

Studies under way to clean up flood-prone Ciliwung river, but squatters won't budge

Indonesian officials are studying ways to clean up the Ciliwung river in Jakarta, but they are facing a major obstacle: the squatters who live along its banks. The river is one of the most polluted in the world, and its banks are home to millions of people who have built their homes on the riverbank. The government has been studying ways to clean up the river, but the squatters are resistant to being moved. The government is studying ways to clean up the river, but the squatters are resistant to being moved. The government is studying ways to clean up the river, but the squatters are resistant to being moved.

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# THE RISE OF ROBOTS

NEW IN A CONCRETE FABRICATION CONTROL ROOM, SINGAPORE'S FIRST ROBOTIC CONCRETE MANUFACTURING UNIT IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION. THE FUTURE CITY'S LABORATORY FOR CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION WILL BE USED TO DEMONSTRATE THE APPLICATION OF ROBUST FABRICATION PROCEDURES FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS. SOUTHWEST ASIA CONSTRUCTION TALKED TO PROFESSOR IANU GRAMANTIA, PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR OF THE ARCHITECTURE AND DIGITAL FABRICATION RESEARCH GROUP AT PC, ABOUT THIS FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.



Robot for high-rise towers

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NEW TECHNOLOGY USES LESS ENERGY TO COOL.

# Beating back the heat with a conscience

technology considers factors such as surface temperature, humidity and air speed to cool particular spaces.

This lowers overall temperature, using less energy than standard cooling systems.

The FCL is a joint effort between the National Research Foundation of Singapore and ETH Zurich. Researchers have set up a laboratory, known as BubbleZERO, to test the low energy systems. They say systems are mature and are now entering the implementation phase within Singapore's climatic and cultural context.

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Instead of "blowing cold air on to hot bodies, which is what you get with an ordinary cooling system," Dr Forrest McGivers, adviser to low energy research at the Future Cities Laboratory (FCL), located in University Town, explained that low energy

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# President Tan looks for takeaways in Zurich

He tours Zurich lab showcasing work on flood management

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# Bamboo offers green building solution

S'pore Swiss lab hopes to harness material's strength and flexibility in reinforcing concrete

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# Robotics could be laying your floor tiles soon

Apartment floors may soon be tiled not by humans, but by intelligent robots - fast, precise and in no danger of staining their backs.

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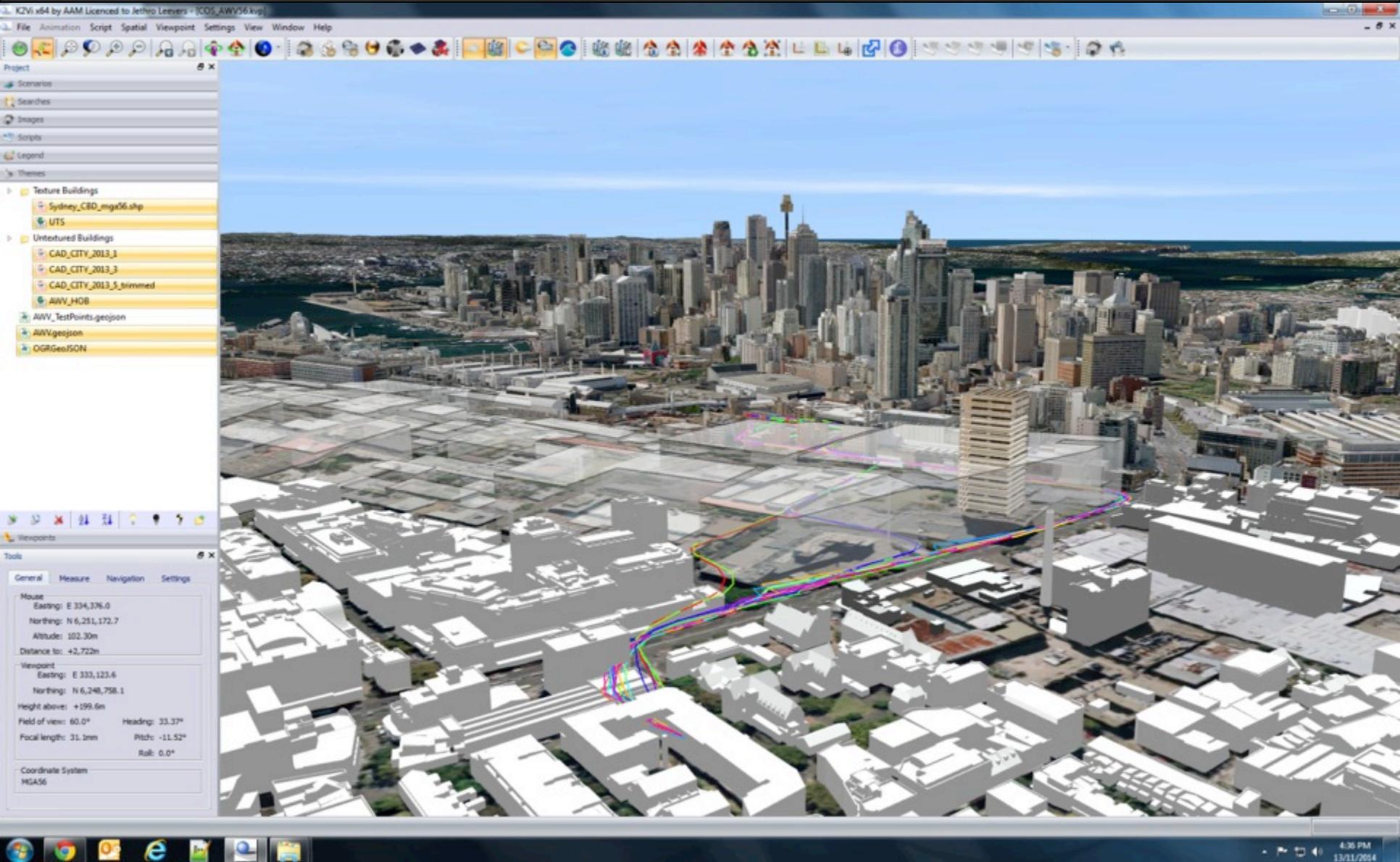
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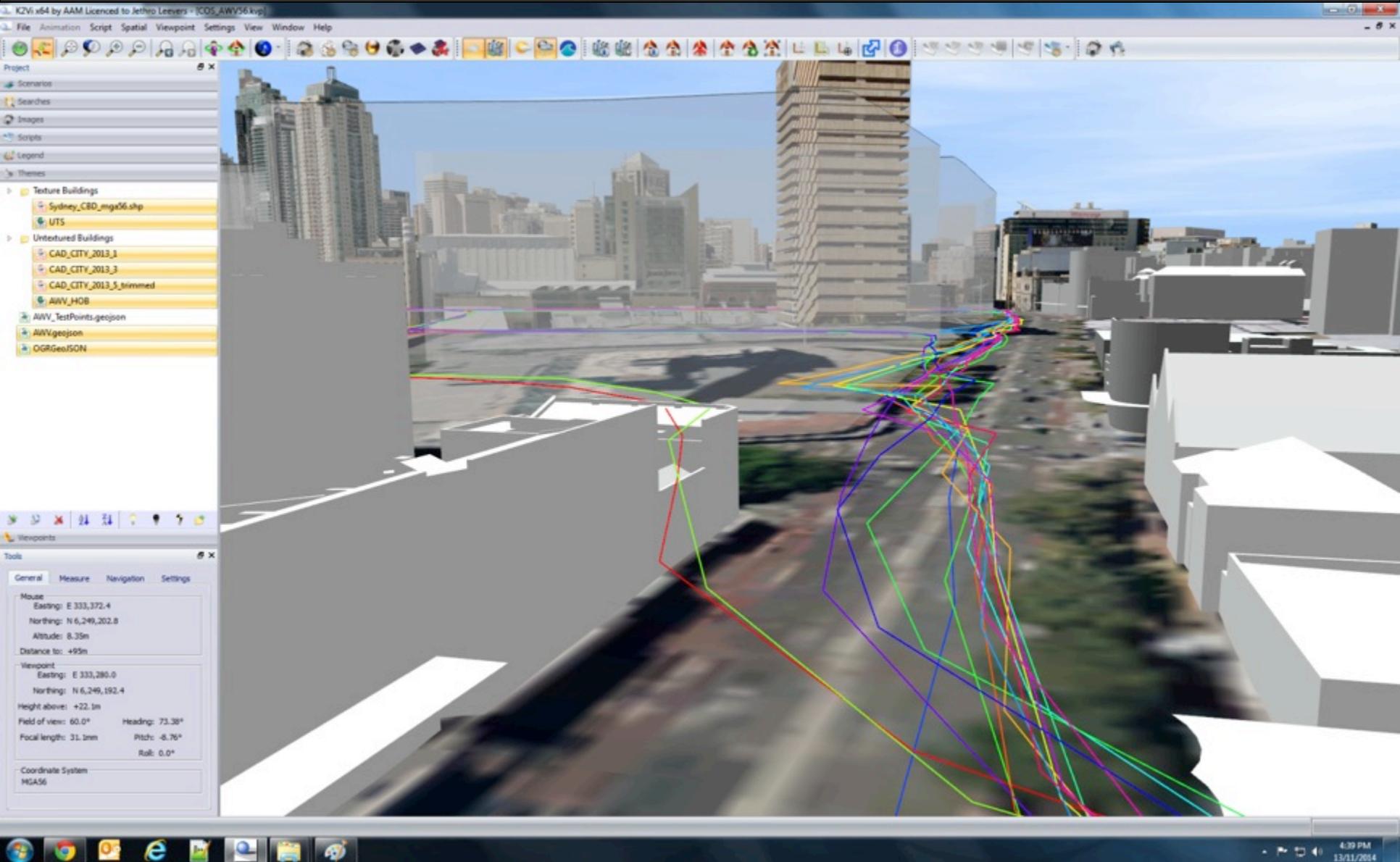
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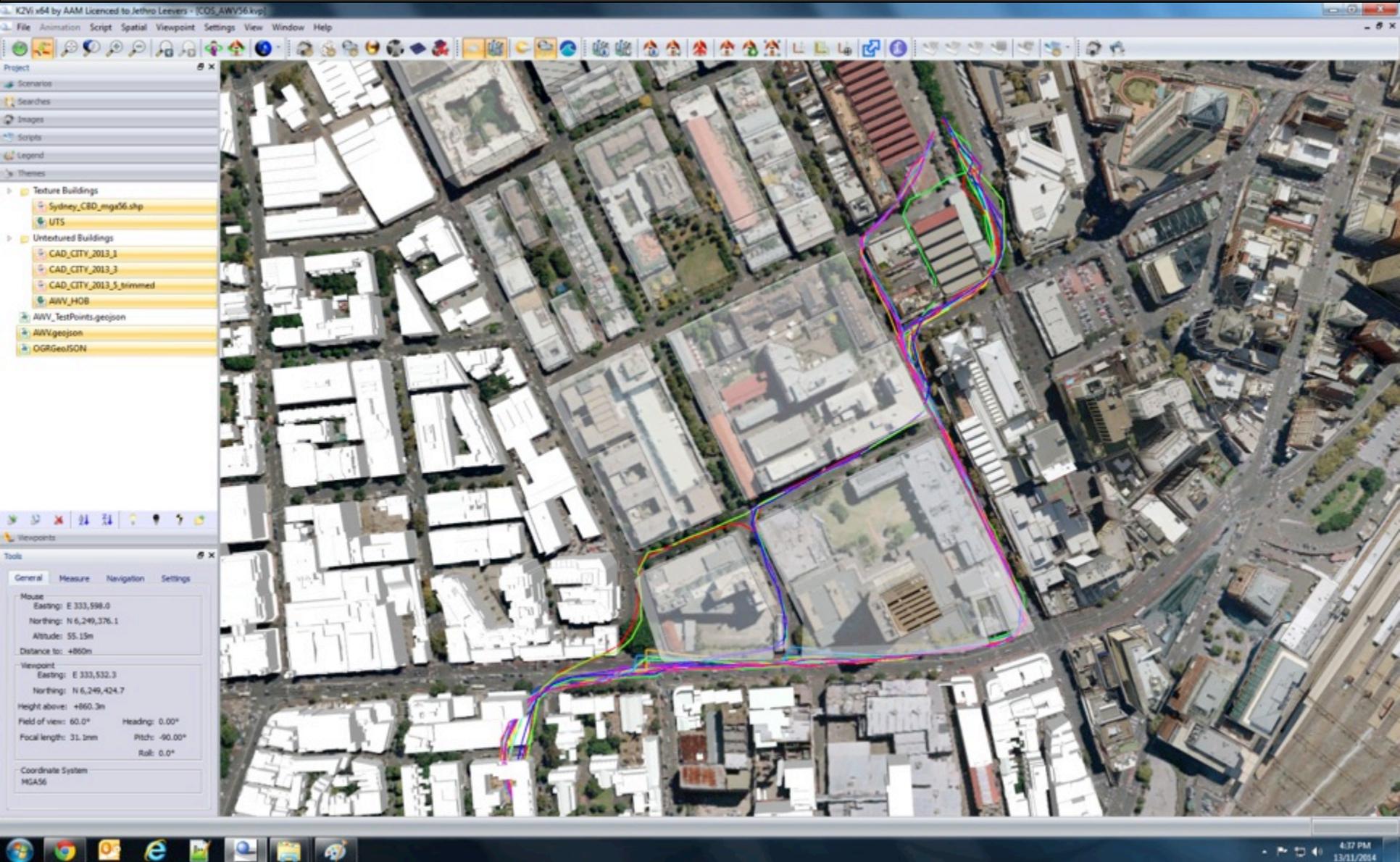
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Key Message:

*Smart cities miss the human's or citizen's perspective.*

*Responsive and resilient cities are the new goal.*

Take Away:

*City labs are crucial to create sustainable cities, since they bring stakeholders together.*

The background image shows a modern, multi-story building with a glass and concrete facade. The word "INNOVATION" is prominently displayed in large, dark, three-dimensional letters on the upper part of the building's facade. The building has a grid-like structure of windows and balconies. The sky is overcast and grey. In the foreground, there are some green leaves and a thin tree trunk on the left side.

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