

Analog Pasts and Digital Futures: Reflections on India's Smart Cities Mission

17 & 18 January 2023

DAY 1: Tuesday, 17th January

Venue: Conference Room, Centre for Policy Research

9:00 am - 9:30 am Introduction	Yamini Aiyar, President and Chief Executive, Centre for Policy Research Marie-Hélène Zérah, French National Research Institute for Sustainable Development (IRD)
9:30 am - 11:00 am Session 1	SCM IN 2023 BETWEEN VISION AND PRACTICE DISCUSSANT: Stéphanie Tawa Lama, CNRS-EHESS, Centre de Sciences Humaines
	Historicizing Indian Smart Cities Persis Taraporevala, Kings College London
	Exploring the "New Bottle in Old Wine" Approach of India's Smart City Mission Morgan Campbell, Greg Marsden, Louise Reardon, Leeds University
	The City Transforms a 'Plan': Practiced Spaces of a Smart City Pushkal Shivam, UN Habitat
11:00 am - 11:15 am	Tea Break
11:15 am - 12:45 pm Session 2	PRIVATE IMAGINATIONS OF AN URBAN FUTURE DISCUSSANT: Tathagatha Chatterji, Xavier University Bhubaneswar
	Smart City Race: A Spatial Jolt to City Administrations in India Harsh Mittal, OP Jindal University
	Government as (paid) Service: Technology, Private Expertise and Statehood in Indian Cities Matthew Birkinshaw & Sanjay Srivastava, SOAS, University of London
	A Typology of Smart City Consultants in India Uttara Purandare, IIT Bombay-Monash Research Academy

12:45 pm - 2:00 pm	Lunch
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Session 3	UNPACKING COMMAND AND CONTROL ASSEMBLAGES DISCUSSANT: Leon Morenas, SPA, Delhi
	Seeing Into the State: An Assessment of the Role of a Smart City Within a Multi-Scalar Pandemic Response Riby Mathew, CEPT University & Surajit Chakravarty, IIT Delhi
	Command and Control Governance in the Smart Cities of India: Perceptions and Reality-Check Sarbeswar Praharaj, Arizona State University
	The God's Eye View of India's Cities: Cybernetic World-Making in Command and Control Centres Christian Eichenmüller, University of Erlangen-Nürnberg
	What happens after the Smart City? Using a Decision-Analysis Heuristic to Unpack the Implementation of the Urban Control Room in Kochi Devika Prakash, KTH Royal Institute of Technology

DAY 2: Wednesday, 18th January

Venue: Casuarina, India Habitat Centre

9:00 am - 10:30 am Session 4	DEMOCRATIC ENCOUNTERS WITH DIGITALIZATION DISCUSSANT: Praveen Priyadarshi, IIIT-Delhi
	Can there be any more CEOs!!! Investigating Roles and Relationship Dynamics of Political and Civil Actors in Nagpur Smart City Chaitali Dighe, Technical University of Darmstadt
	Participation as Retaliation: Responses to the Smart City Mission in Ludhiana, Punjab Kanchan Gandhi, Ambedkar University, Delhi
	Duty Bearers and Citizens in 'Phygital' Futures: Local Articulations of Social Accountability in Digital India and Digital Bangladesh, a Comparative Study Ipshita Basu & Ripin Kalra, University of Westminster
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Tea
10:45 am - 12:45 pm Session 5	VARIEGATED STATE VISIONS DISCUSSANT: Sujata Patel, Retired Professor, University of Hyderabad
	The SCM and Surveillance in Northeast India: the Perverse Appeal of Tracking Everyone Duncan McDuie-Ra, University of Newcastle, Australia
	'Smart Cities Mission' in the Face of COVID: An Investigation of 'Smart' COVID Responses in India Tooran Alizadeh, Lizwin Kurian, Chakshu Bansal, Deepti Prasad, University of Sydney

	<p>“Aspiring for Estonia”: Hyderabad’s Datafied Urban Governance Preeti Raghunath, Monash University, Malaysia</p>
	<p>The Smart and the Non-Smart - How Odisha’s Inclusive Urban Development Paradigm is Re-Defining “Smart”-ness Antarin Chakrabarty, CPR & Titusz Bugya, University of Pécs</p>
12:45 pm – 2:00 pm	Lunch
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm Session 6	<p>CITY INTERPRETATIONS OF SMARTNESS DISCUSSANT: Josie Wittmer, University of Lausanne</p>
	<p>‘Sensors’, ‘Solar’ and (In-) ‘Sensitivity’: The ‘Smart Solutions’ to Environmental Challenges Ritika Rajput, Independent Researcher</p>
	<p>The ‘Actually Existing’ Smart City of Pune: The Role of Urban Politics Arushi Sharan, University of Oxford</p>
	<p>Between the Fix and the Glitch: Smart City Encounters in Chennai Pushpa Arabindoo, University College London</p>
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Tea
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Panel Discussion