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Updates on smart city progress around the globe

NEWS & TRENDS

Cloud puts more city services a call, click or tap away: Elaborate 311 systems that give citizens easy access to city services used to be something only the largest cities could offer. But cloud computing is changing that. See how Microsoft is helping cities like Westfield and Grand Rapids reach more citizens with better service. [MORE >>](#)

Lessons from destination hot spots: MasterCard's latest list of tourism hot spots may give you a case of déjà vu. The cities at the top this year, London and Bangkok, have owned those spots for years. What are they doing right? What can your city learn from them? We've got answers at the site. [MORE >>](#)

Pulling the plug on EV charging? Already partners in Formula One racing, Mercedes-Benz and Qualcomm are now working together to push wireless electric vehicle charging into the mainstream. As cities plan for more EVs on their streets, advances in wireless charging will be worth watching. Get the details. [MORE >>](#)

PILOTS & PROJECTS

Microgrids at the energy forefront: Another signal that microgrids will play a key role in the modernization of the energy grid, Alstom and Penn State this week launched a Microgrid Center of Excellence at The Navy Yard in Philadelphia. Get the details. [MORE >>](#)

Burrowing beneath London: If drilling 26 miles of tunnels beneath a major metropolitan area seems like a hefty challenge, it is. But Bechtel has successfully completed the tunneling phase for London's massive Crossrail project -- and the mayor and prime minister turned out to celebrate. Read all about it. [MORE >>](#)

Summer series: City Foundations to City Transformation

You're invited to join City Protocol's Summer Global Workshop Series -- a set of collaborative working sessions on subjects ranging from city foundations to city transformation, held over six weeks. The first one is June 24 and will be held via Webex. [Get details>>](#)

PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

Partner spotlight: How IBM is helping improve traffic flow on busy New Jersey roadways... Alstom marks milestone in its contributions to India's electric grid... Intel on top? Company installs 58 wind micro-turbines on its HQ rooftop... Hydro-Québec partners with Veolia on super-efficient data center... Colorado city will install 3,400 automated Neptune meters. Details at the site. [MORE >>](#)

JESSE'S PICKS

A prediction for utilities

In a recent article I wrote for Electricity Today, I predicted many utilities will learn to appreciate the smart cities movement and even profit from it. And I believe I provided some compelling reasons for that prediction. If you're interested, [read the article here.](#)

SMART CITY EVENTS

6.8: Internet of Things Expo

Dubai

6.8: Major Cities of Europe

Hamburg

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June 11 webinar: The Green Building Adoption Index

Meeting of the Minds, with CBRE and GRESB, will host a webinar at 10 a.m. PDT Thursday, June 11. The Green Building Adoption Index reflects Energy Star and LEED certified space in top U.S. markets over the past decade. New data will be revealed during the webinar. [Learn more here >>](#)

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