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**Are tiny homes the next big thing for cities?** As urban populations swell, as the number of singles increases -- and as cities try to make their urban environments more sustainable -- tiny homes may enter the big picture. The benefits they offer may surprise you. **MORE >>**

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**Smart Cities Council India launches**
The Smart Cities Council has launched Smart Cities Council India with Pratap Padode as founder. Padode is President of the Foundation of Infrastructure Research Studies Training based in Mumbai. One of his first objectives will be to recruit Indian smart cities experts to develop a unique Readiness Guide for India that will show how Indian cities can use smart technologies to accommodate large-scale growth and economic development. Learn more about SCC India >>

## MARKETS & RESEARCH

**Murky future for water quality:** Worrisome as the drought that's parched regions around the world is, a new global study from Veolia and the International Food Policy Research Institute finds rapidly deteriorating water quality will affect far more people and put the planet at large at risk. Click to learn about sustainable water quality solutions available to cities. **MORE >>**

## POINT OF VIEW

**Plugging the grid's information hole:** For electric utility providers to truly achieve a smart grid, they need precise information. Without it, power is less reliable, less cost-effective and fewer renewables will be blended in. Alan Snook says sensors are the key -- and with them smart cities will reap the benefits. Find out why. **MORE >>**

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