



Convergence Workshop September 16-17, 2019

8:00am

#### WELCOME + OPENING REMARKS

#### • Tye Hayes

Chief Technology Officer, City of Atlanta

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Vice President for Interdisciplinary Research, & Motorola Foundation Professor of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Georgia Tech

#### Don Webster

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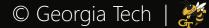
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#### **INTRODUCTION TO WORKSHOP**

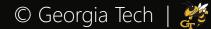
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#### Smart City Digital Twins

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Abstract-Driven by the challenges of rapid urbanization, cities are determined to implement advanced socio-technological changes and transform into smarter cities. The success of such transformation, however, greatly relies on a thorough understanding of the city's states of spatiotemporal flux. The ability to understand such fluctuations in context and in terms of interdependencies that exist among various entities across time and space is crucial, if cities are to maintain their smart growth. Here, we introduce a Smart City Digital Twin paradigm that can enable increased visibility into cities' human-infrastructuretechnology interactions, in which spatiotemporal fluctuations of the city are integrated into an analytics platform at the real-time intersection of reality-virtuality. Through learning and exchange of spatiotemporal information with the city, enabled through virtualization and the connectivity offered by Internet of Things (IoT), this Digital Twin of the city becomes smarter over time, able to provide predictive insights into the city's smarter performance and growth.

Keywords-Digital Twins, Interdependence, IoT, Smart Cities, Spatiotemporal Flux.

I. INTRODUCTION

Cities, responsible for much of the world's total resource

expected increase in urban population to nearly 6.3 billion by 2050 [4], combined with the resulting complexities stemming from human activities, are managed to effect positive outcomes in allocating resources, providing security, maximizing services, facilitating human activities, and preventing disruption, while continuously adapting to the changing behaviors of the citizens. Leveraging effective instrumentation, interconnection, and collective intelligence of the city [5], smart cities are expected to improve operational efficiency and quality of life. However, cities, as complex adaptive systems, experience several changes of states in their operations with respect to individuals' activities that are increasing due to the dynamic pressure of population growth. Therefore, successful transformation of cities to smart cities demands advancing city performance through integration of human, infrastructure and technology (Fig. 1). Both spatial and temporal performance equilibria are subject to vulnerabilities that make humaninfrastructure-technology systems susceptible to changes of state, or collapses. A better understanding of the underlying drivers of this process will facilitate the identification of the systems' reactive, recovery, and adaptive capacities across time

'Transformative' urban digital twin and city modelling deployments to exceed 500 by 2025, says ABI



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#### DAY 1 - Monday, September 16

7:30am	Registration, Networking + Breakfast
8:00am	Welcome + Opening Remarks

Raheem Beyah, Vice President for Interdisciplinary Research, Georgia Tech Tye Hayes, Chief Technology Officer, City of Atlanta Don Webster, Karen and John Huff Chair, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Georgia Tech

#### 8:30am Introduction to Workshop Purpose and Goals

Debra Lam, Managing Director, Smart Cities & Inclusive Innovation, Georgia Tech John Taylor, Frederick Law Olmsted Professor, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Georgia Tech

#### PART 1: CURRENT SMART CITY DIGITAL TWIN EFFORTS

8:45am	First Panel – Mobility Infrastructure System Digital Twins
	Sybil Derrible, Associate Professor, University of Illinois, Chicago
	David Emory, Director, Technology Strategy and Innovation, MARTA
	Lillie Madali, Smart City Program Director, City of Atlanta
	Jane Mcfarlane, Director of Smart Cities Research Center, University of California, Berkeley

#### Second Panel - Water Infrastructure System Digital Twins 9:45am

Stephen Bourne, Director & Research and Development Chair, Atkins Patricia Culligan, Robert A. W. and Christine S. Carleton Professor of Civil Engineering; Chair, Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics, Columbia University Mike Diaz, AVP/Area Manager, Arcadis Jonathan Levy, Open Data Program Manager, City of Chicago Grace Simrall, Chief of Civic Innovation, Louisville Metro Government

10<sup>.</sup>45am Networking Break

#### 11:00am Third Panel - Energy Infrastructure System Digital Twins

Sam Edelstein, Chief Data Officer, City of Syracuse Rishee Jain, Assistant Professor, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Stanford University Laura Meixell, Enterprise Data Architect, Allegheny County Department of Human Services Jack Montgomery, Digital Innovation & Thought Leadership, Siemens Management Consulting Josh Sperling, Urban Futures & the Energy-X Nexus Fellow, National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)

#### Working Lunch – Smart City Digital Twin Technology/System Showcase

Burcin Becerik-Gerber, Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Southern California Michael Hunter, Professor, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Georgia Tech Madhav Marathe, Division Director and Professor, Biocomplexity Institute, University of Virginia Neda Mohammadi, City Infrastructure Analytics Director, Network Dynamics Lab, Georgia Tech Kouros Mohammadian, Professor & Dept. Head, Civil & Materials Engineering, University of Illinois, Chicago Mina Sartipi, UC Foundation Professor, Computer Science and Engineering, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga Keith Swearingen, Office of Chief Information Officer, NASA

#### PART 2: TOWARD A SMART CITY DIGITAL TWIN FRAMEWORK

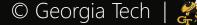
Kick Off Smart City Digital Twin Framework Discussion Breakouts 2:00pm 2:30pm Breakout Groups Discuss Elements of Framework Breakout Groups Report 4:00pm 4:30pm End of Day Summary, Discussion + Next Steps 5:00pm Reception & Group Photo (14th Floor Atrium) Merry Hunter Caudle, Program Manager - Economic Development, Georgia Tech

#### DAY 2 — Tuesday, September 17

- 7:30am Registration, Networking + Breakfast
- 8:00am Discuss Smart City Digital Twin Framework Developed in Day 1 + Plan for Day 2

#### PART 3: FUTURE OF SMART CITY DIGITAL TWINNING

8:30am Kick Off Smart City Digital Twin Forward Looking Breakout Exercise Breakout Groups Use Framework to Envision Future of Smart City Digital Twins 9:00am 11:00am Breakout Groups Report 11:30am Closing Discussion + Next Steps Long & Bak 12:30pm Adjourn/Lunch





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#### What is a Smart City Digital Twin?



"A *Digital Twin* is a...pairing of virtual and physical worlds [that] allows analysis of data and monitoring of systems to head off problems before they occur, prevent downtime, develop new opportunities, and even plan for the future using simulations." [Forbes, 2017]



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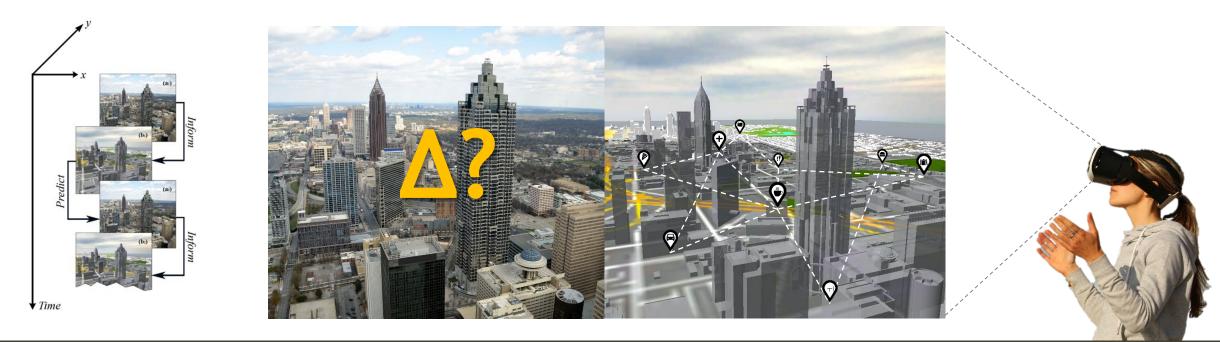
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### What is a Smart City Digital Twin?



A Smart City Digital Twin is a smart, IoT-enabled, data-rich virtual platform of a city that can be used to replicate and simulate changes happening in the real city to improve resilience, sustainability, and livability. [Mohammadi & Taylor, 2017]





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'Identify areas of research where investment in **convergent** approaches...**united to solve problems** – have the potential to translate to high-benefit results and advance ideas from concept to deliverables'

'To enable capabilities far beyond what is currently possible in either the private or public sectors'

'Bringing together researchers with many different specialties, and partners from across the spectrum of scientific innovation and application -- will create environments where innovation can thrive'



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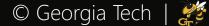




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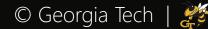
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### Smart City Digital Twin Convergence Workshop Purpose/Goals

- Share state-of-the-art knowledge on on-going single infrastructure system digital twinning across community of scholars, practitioners and government officials.
- Discuss/develop framework for understanding and comparing Smart City Digital Twin evolution across cities.
- Discuss and develop a road map of an envisioned future for Smart City Digital Twinning efforts.







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### Smart City Digital Twin Convergence Workshop Format to Achieve Goals

- Share state-of-the-art knowledge on on-going single infrastructure system digital twinning across community of scholars, practitioners and government officials. 
   -> 3 Panel + 1 Technology/Systems Showcase
- Discuss/develop framework for understanding and comparing Smart City Digital Twin evolution across cities. 
   → Breakouts Afternoon Day 1
- Discuss and develop a road map of an envisioned future for Smart City Digital Twinning efforts. 
   Breakouts Morning Day 2





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- Social Media
- Filming Interviews for Short "Smart City Digital Twin" Video
- Note-takers
- Media
- Summary Article



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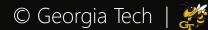
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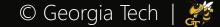


### Smart City Digital Twin Convergence Workshop Code of Conduct

- Did everyone receive it electronically? Please review it.
  - We are committed to having a safe/productive meeting that fosters open dialogue and exchange of ideas, promotes equal opportunity and treatment for all participants, and is free of harassment or discrimination.
  - This workshop is a forum to consider and debate science-relevant viewpoints in an orderly, respectful, and fair manner.
  - Any form of harassment, sexual or otherwise, is prohibited at this workshop. Harassment should be reported immediately to the Workshop Chairs:

Chair: John E. Taylor; <u>jet@gatech.edu</u>; (540) 808-6063 Co-Chair: Debra Lam; <u>debra.lam@gatech.edu</u>; (530) 750-9881

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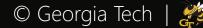
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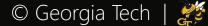


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### **Smart City Digital Twin Technology Showcase**



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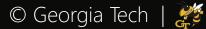


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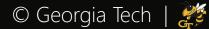
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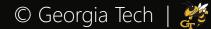
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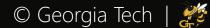
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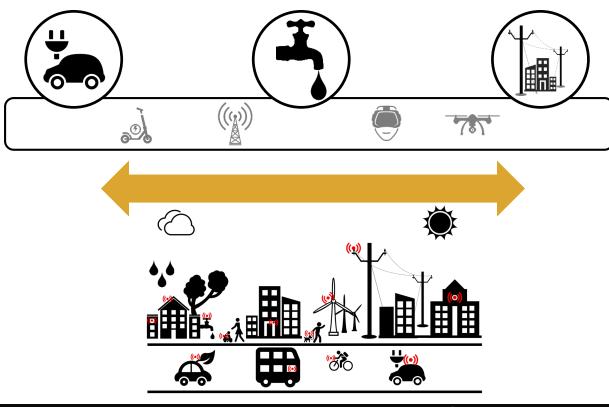
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### Smart City Digital Twin Convergence Workshop Preparing for Breakouts

Join the Mobility, Water, or Energy Panel for a breakout discussion...

- [DISTRIBUTION OF EFFICIENCIES]
  - -Based on the state-of-the-art knowledge discussed, and your own expertise, how could the infrastructure system digital twin focus in your breakout discussion benefit from or be extended by what you learned today or based on your expertise?
  - -What new enabling technologies/features/functionalities or opportunities can you identify? -What are the barriers to or risks associated with each?
- [INTEROPERABILITY OF TECHNOLOGY/SYSTEMS]
  - -How do Smart City Digital Twin technologies and systems need be adapted to integrate and/or function across multiple interdependent infrastructure systems?
  - -What barriers, risks or other considerations are associated with each adaptation?

