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## A Science Cloud for Smart Cities Research

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### Abstract

Cities are densely populated and heavily equipped areas with a high level of service provision. Smart cities can use these conditions to achieve the goals of a smart society for their citizens. To facilitate such developments, the necessary IT-infrastructure has to be in place for supporting, amongst many other things, the whole lifecycle of big data management and analytics for research activities. At the Centre for IT-Intelligent Smart Energy for Cities, we have therefore been developing a flexible infrastructure, based on open source technologies. This paper presents this solution and its application in a city and building research.

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### 1. Introduction

“Smart cities” is not a well-defined term, and its complexity is rather great [1]. The “smartness” of a city can stem from its citizens, organizations or technology. The last of these is the main characterization applied in this paper. The simplified idea is that the gathering of information from a city together with its intelligent handling to achieve smart decision-making and control is what constitutes a “smart city”. The practical result is an innovative infrastructure.

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