

Review of: "Safe City Concept in Smart City Planning"

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The article correctly places the issue of integrated safety and security at the center of policy making for a smart city. Although they consider seven smart-cities, the analysis is lacking in detail. It is suggested that methodologies such as the Risk Informed approach and CPTED be used to improve safe-city design but no evidence is offered to understand how actually these methodologies can be profitably employed.

It is more face taken up the topic of cybercrime, but it is not detailed how this impacts the perceived security of a city. A set of initiatives adopted by different smart-cities are listed without an analysis of the pros and cons of each of them. In conclusion, the article offers useful insight in terms of need to adopt holistic approach to safe-city design, while it is lacking in terms of analyzing the methodologies, technologies and tools for actual design.