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CRAFTING A VISION FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Framework for Dialogue on new Regional Spatial and Economic Strategies



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ComReg 2017
Conference

Telecommunications
Society and Sector in Transition

Challenges & Trends

Population Increase to over 5.5 million

Number of people over 65 to increase to over 1m

Household occupancy significantly reduce

Average need for 25,000 new homes

Increase demand for employment with figures estimated at over 2.2m

Environment and Climate Change targets

Urbanisation

BREXIT

Connected Global Politics

Key Questions

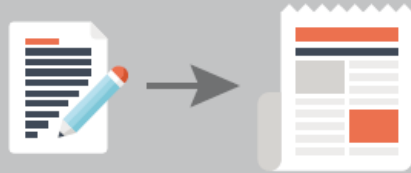
1. What should Ireland **look like** in 20 years?
2. How do we ensure that every place can realise its potential?
3. Where will jobs be **located** and what kind of **jobs** will they be?
4. Where will we **live** and what types of housing will be needed?
5. What are the key services that people will need?
6. What are the planning responses to key environmental challenges?
7. What **infrastructure** is required – what are the national priorities?
8. How should a National Planning Framework be implemented?




Local Government

Local Area
Plan or SDZ

City & County
Development Plans



Local Economic and
Community Plans



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Regional Spatial &
Economic Strategy



Other regional plans and
programmes i.e.
regional enterprise strategies



Government Department

National Planning
Framework



Action Plan for jobs

SO... WHAT DO WE DO?

Create Better Places and a more Competitive Region. Your Region.

- 1 Create **BETTER PLACES** by ensuring our region adopts effective planning and economic development policies centered on sustainable and resilient growth.
- 2 Enhance our **COMPETITIVENESS** by optimizing all exchequer and EU funding (with local & regional partners) to ensure appropriate levels of investment and infrastructure are secured for our region.
- 3 Act as a **PLATFORM** for collaboration, knowledge transfer and ultimately regional economic development.

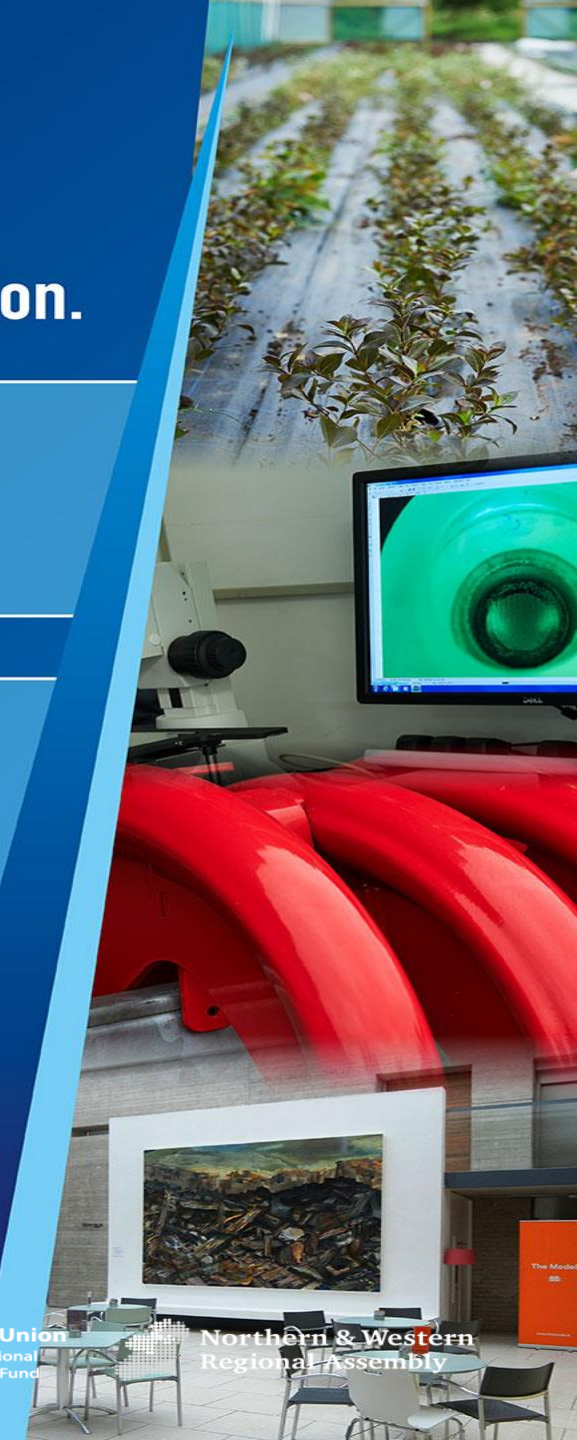
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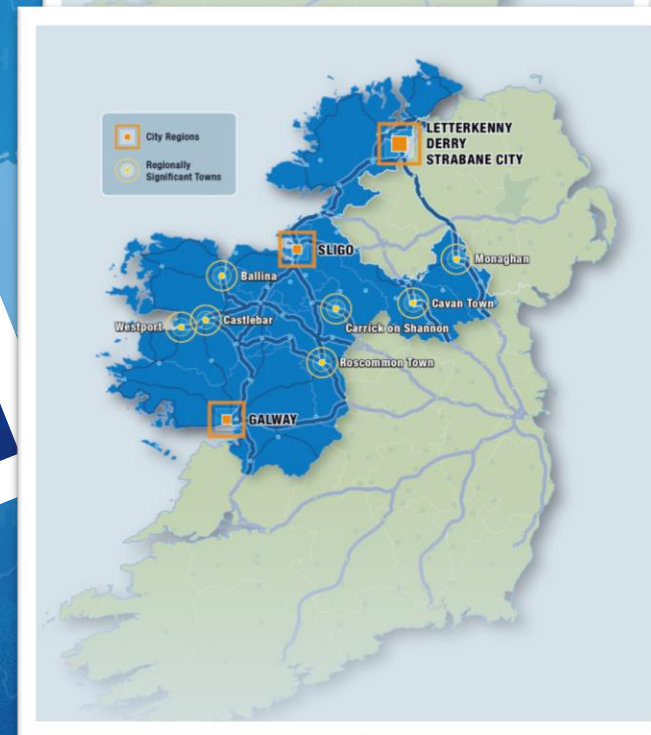
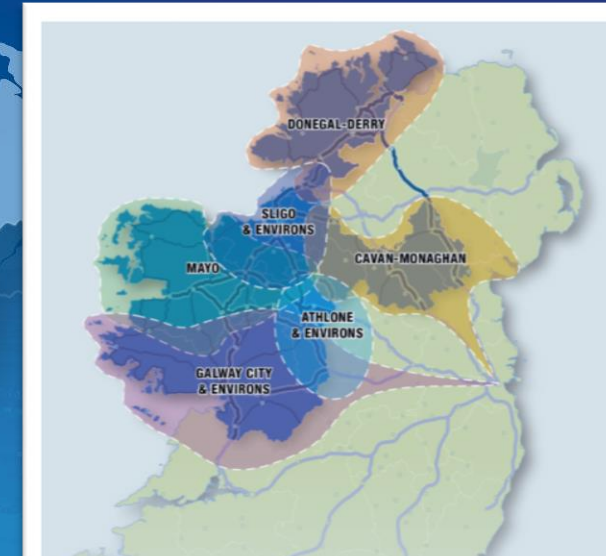
Ireland's European Structural and Investment Funds Programme 2014-2020
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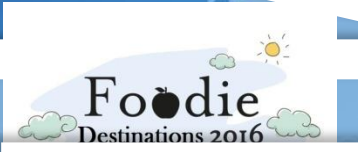
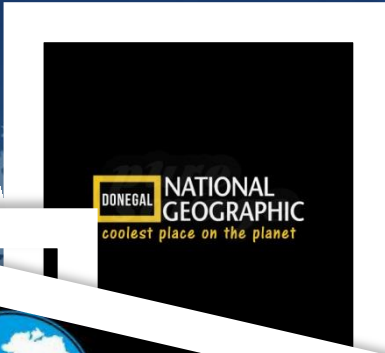


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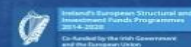


TOP 10 MICRO EUROPEAN CITIES

- The Growth Sectors**
- Energy
 - Marine
 - Life Sciences
 - Financial Services
 - Creative Economy
 - Tourism
 - Agri-Food
 - Education



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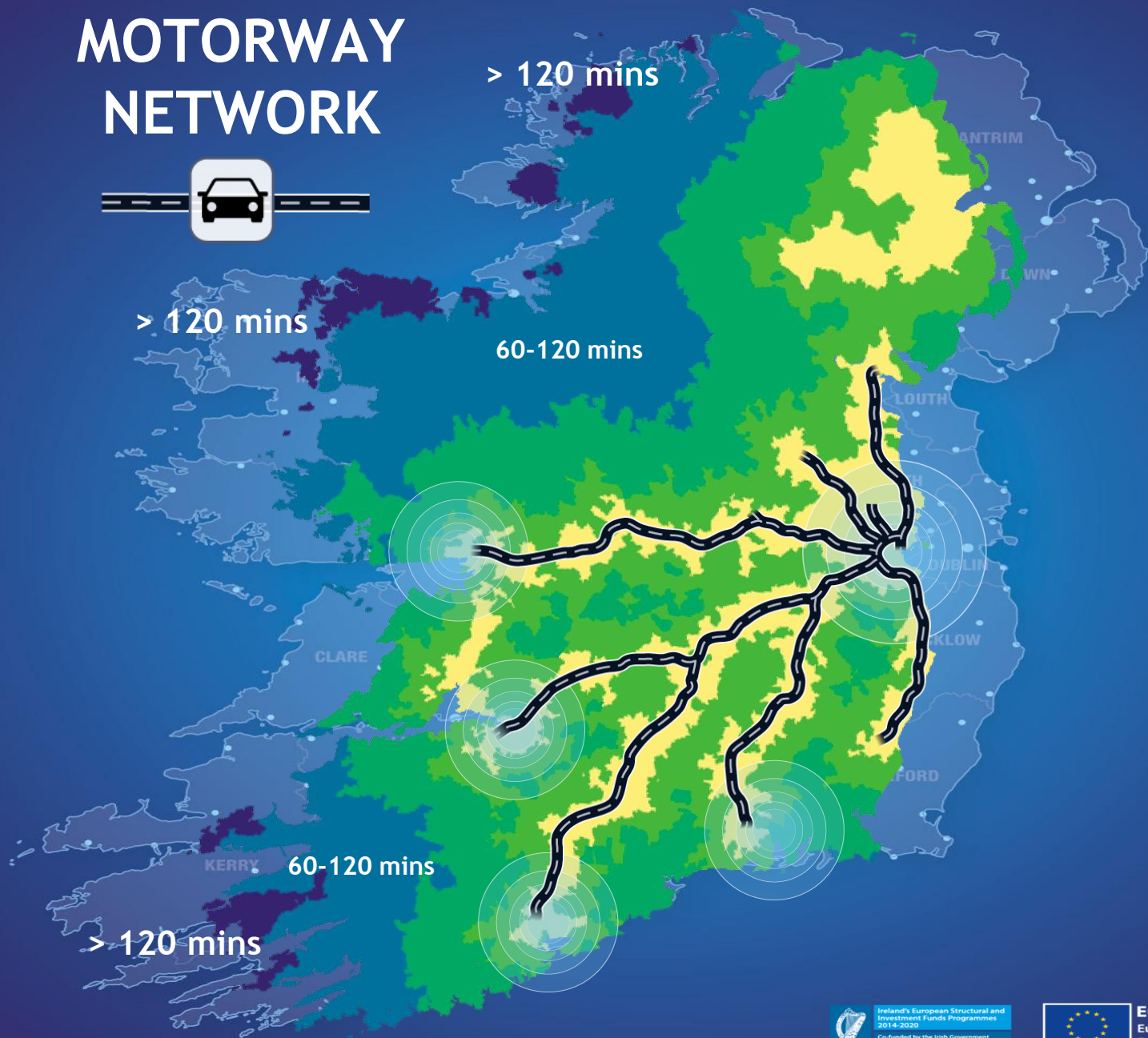


European Entrepreneurial Region





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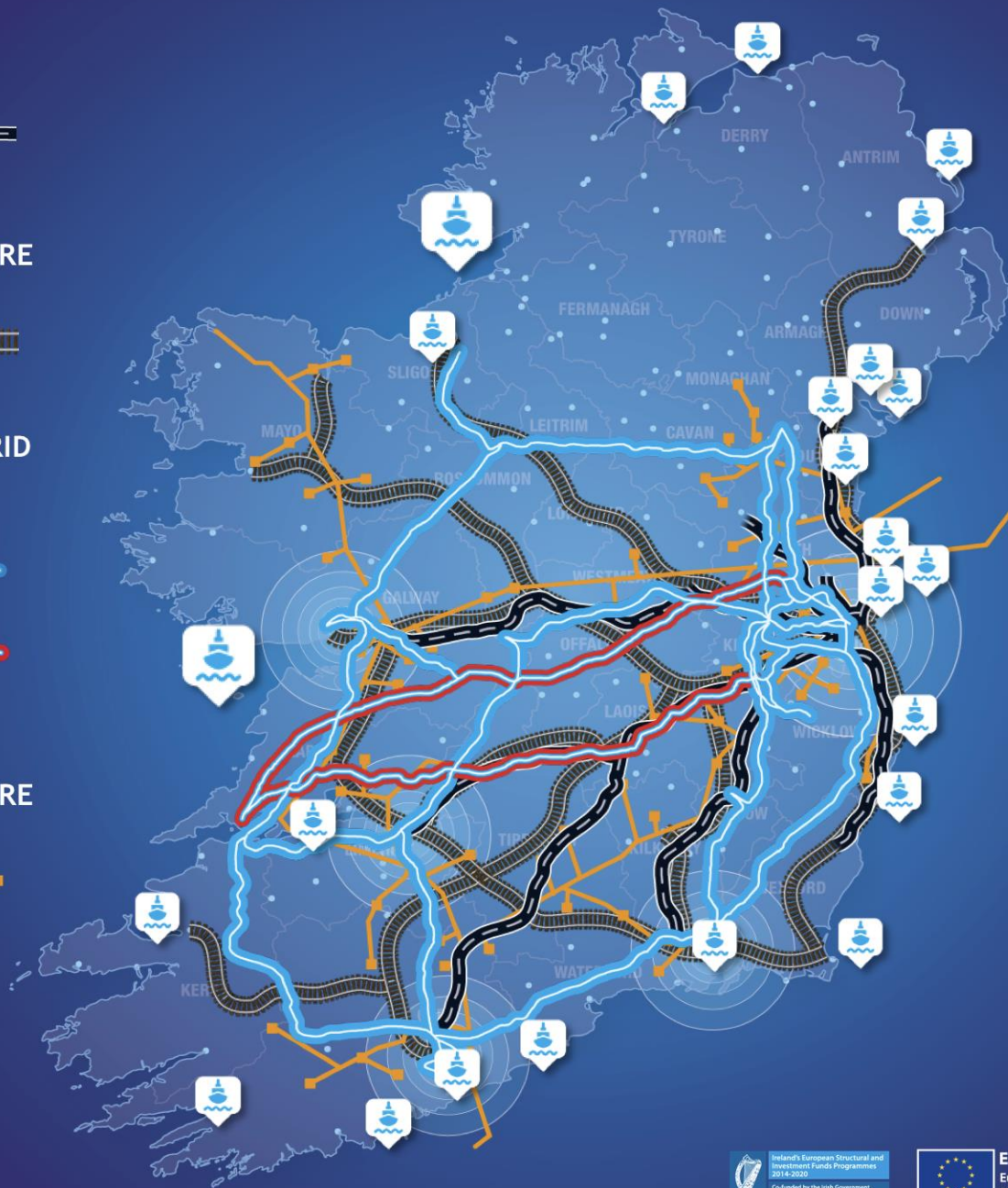
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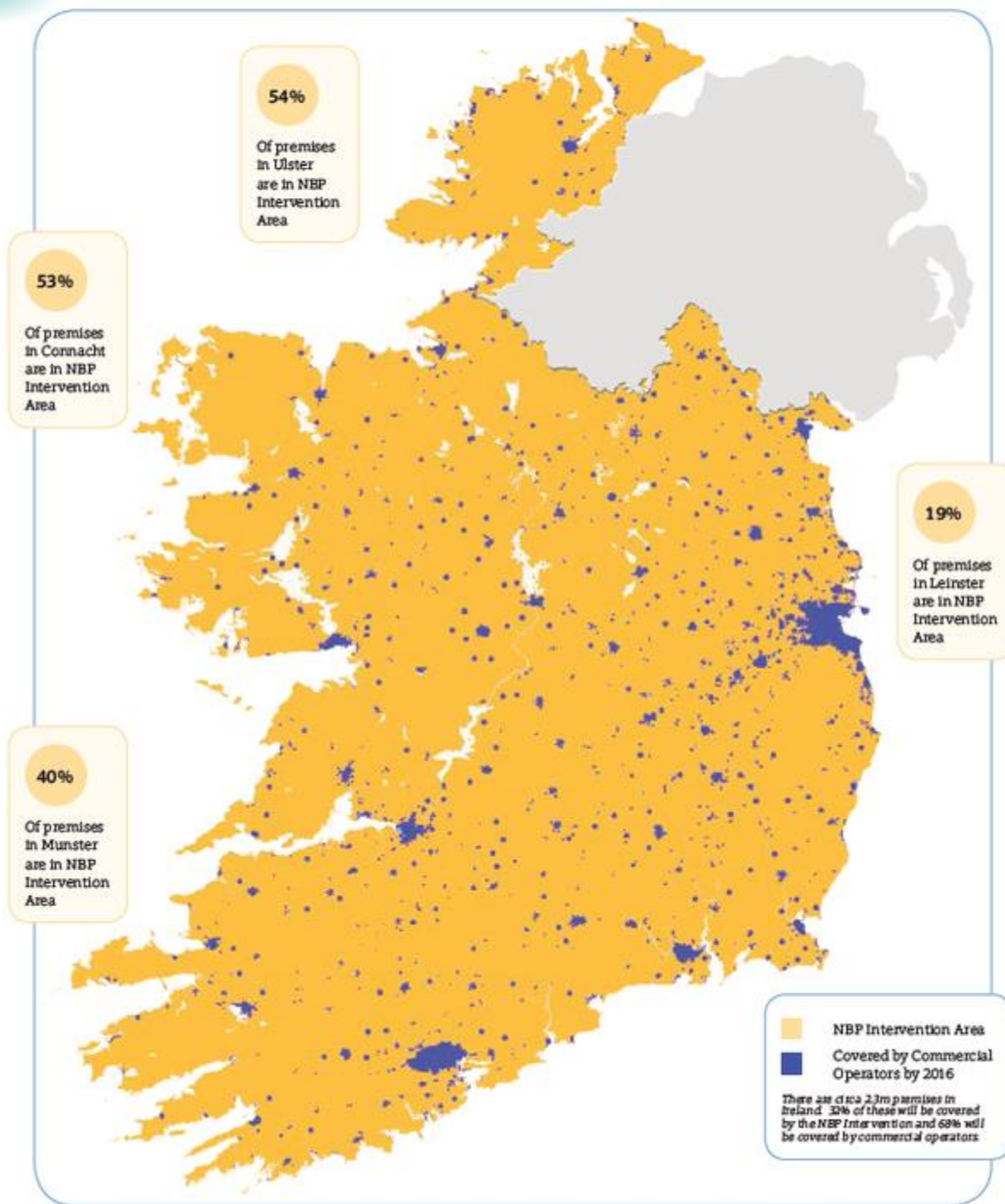


ELECTRICAL GRID NETWORK



GAS INFRASTRUCTURE





The Impact Created

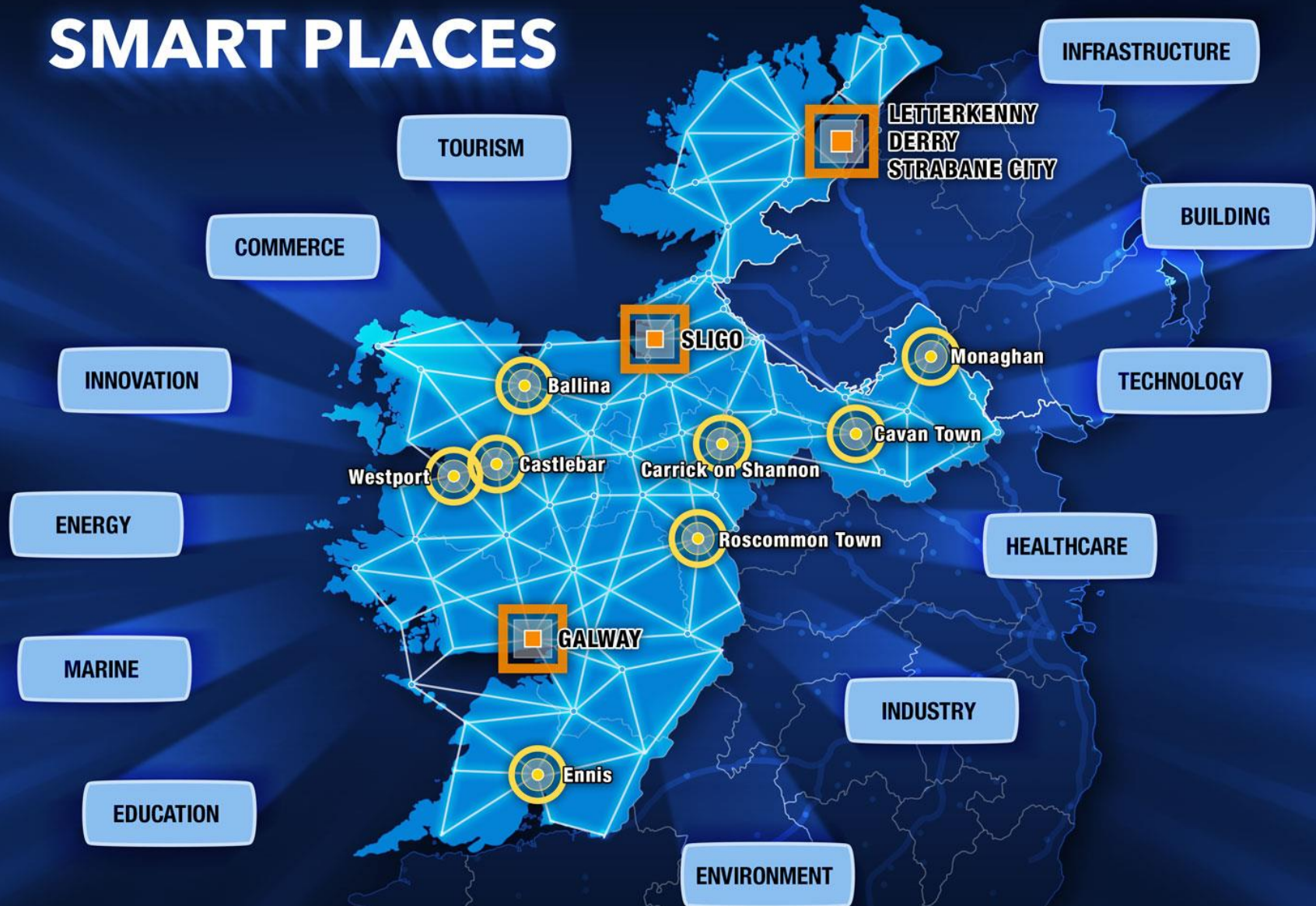
Over development in some areas / decline in others	Difficult to plan and deliver services for health & well being	Created a commuter culture
Urban area congestion and rural depopulation	Increase cost of public infrastructure – transport*	Uncompetitive city / city regions
Polarised communities	Continued one-off housing debate	Under utilisation of natural economic potential

The future for our Places is.....

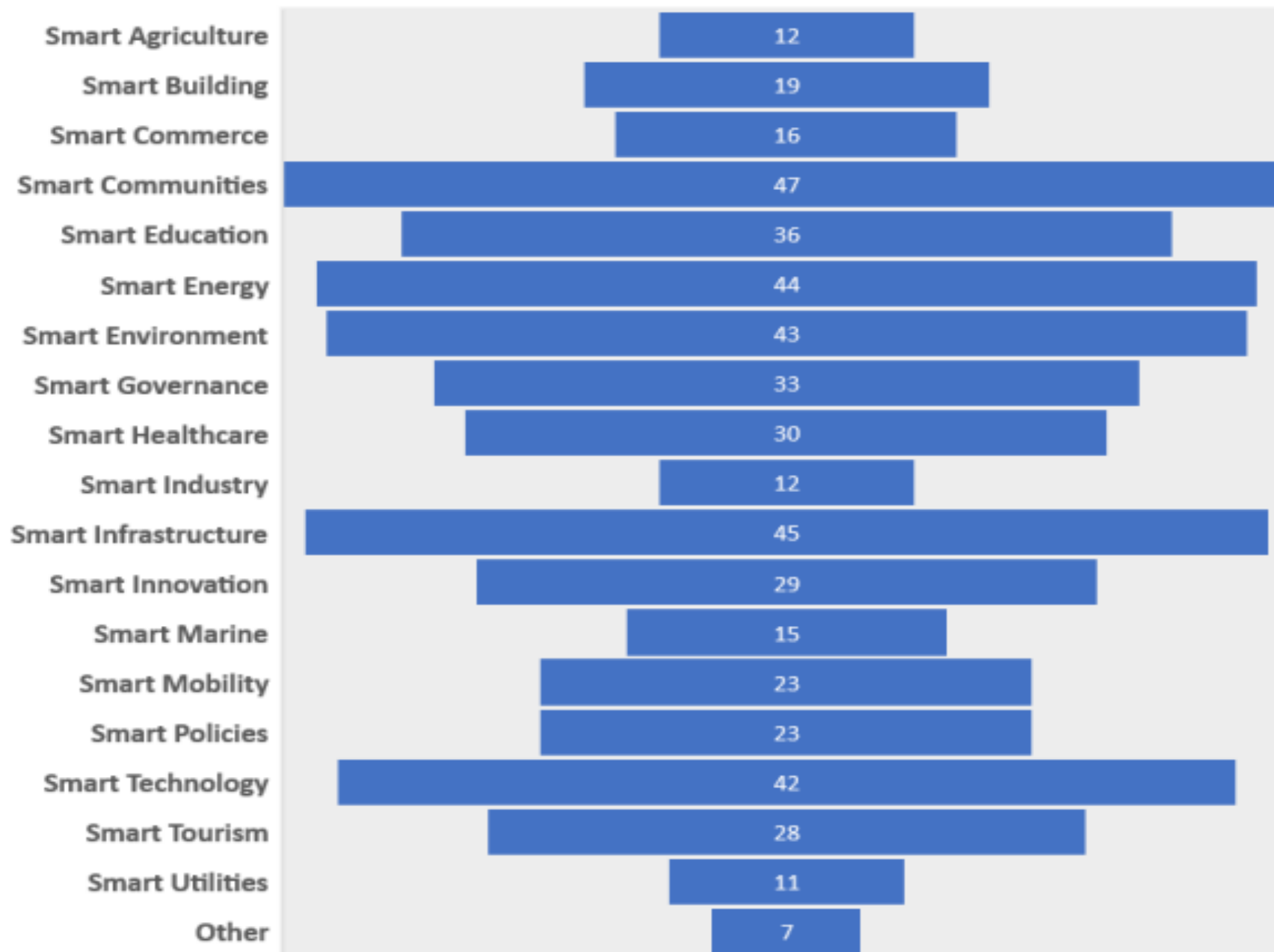
Connected and Smart Places

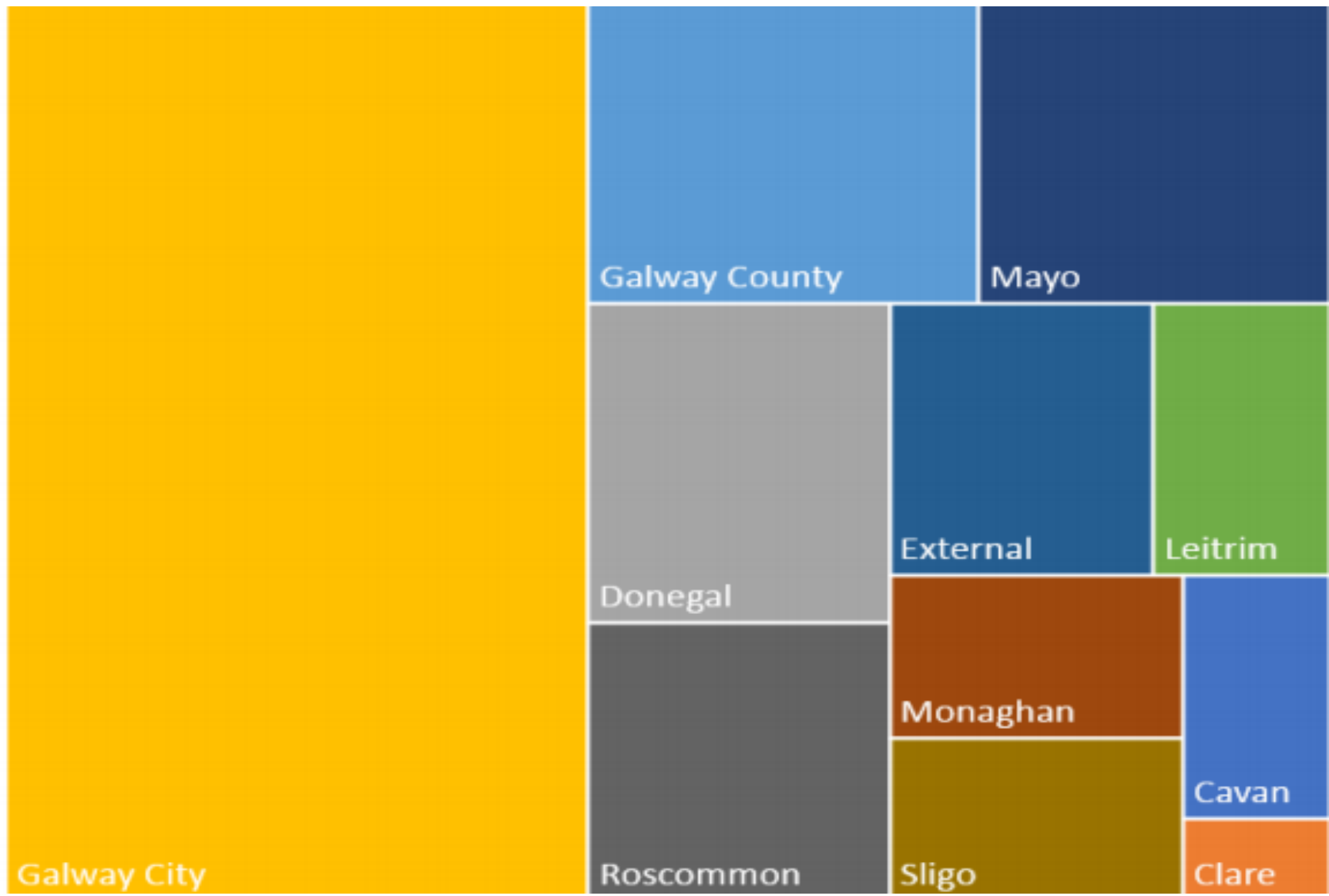
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SMART PLACES

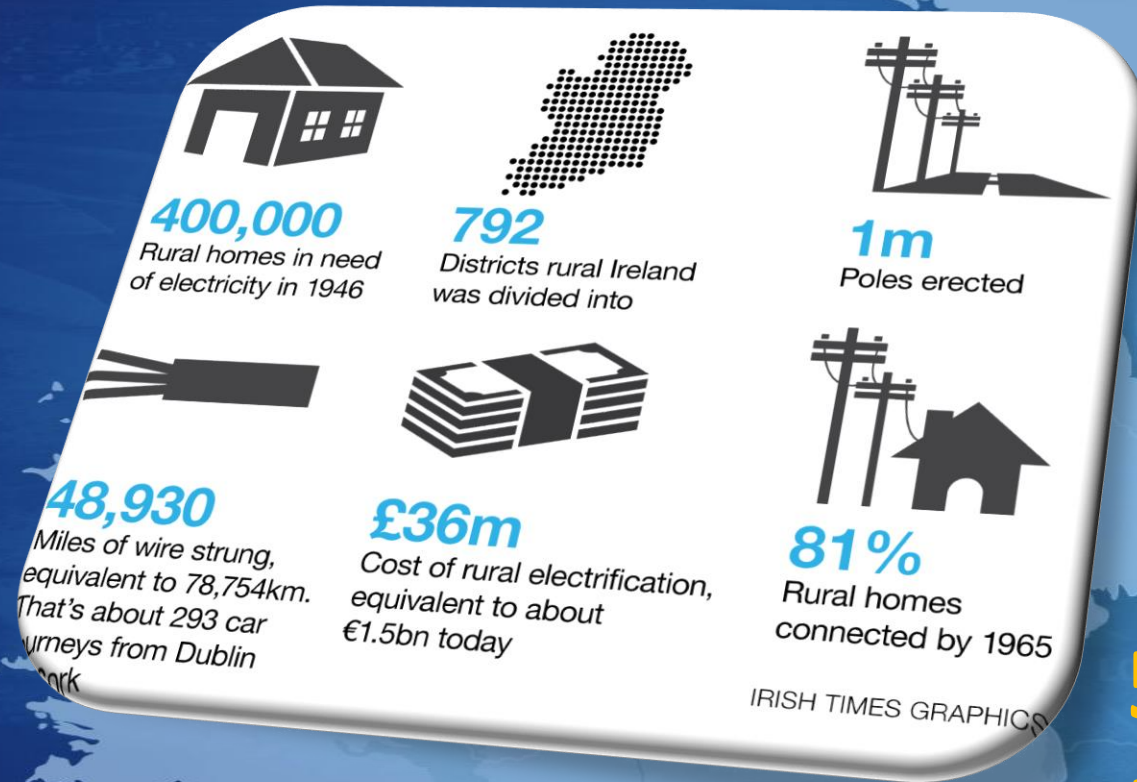


Smart Places Priorities





4TH Industrial Revolution....



SMART PLACES

**5G Transform
Regional
Competitiveness??**

Our vision is that our Regional Spatial and Economic Strategies has the capability to **CONNECT** us.



"Change is inevitable, and conscious involvement
in directing change is empowering,
and very different from drifting with change.
Being the arrow, not the target
means being active, not passive,
in this time of challenge and change."

President Michael D. Higgins

Observation!!!!!! If time allows