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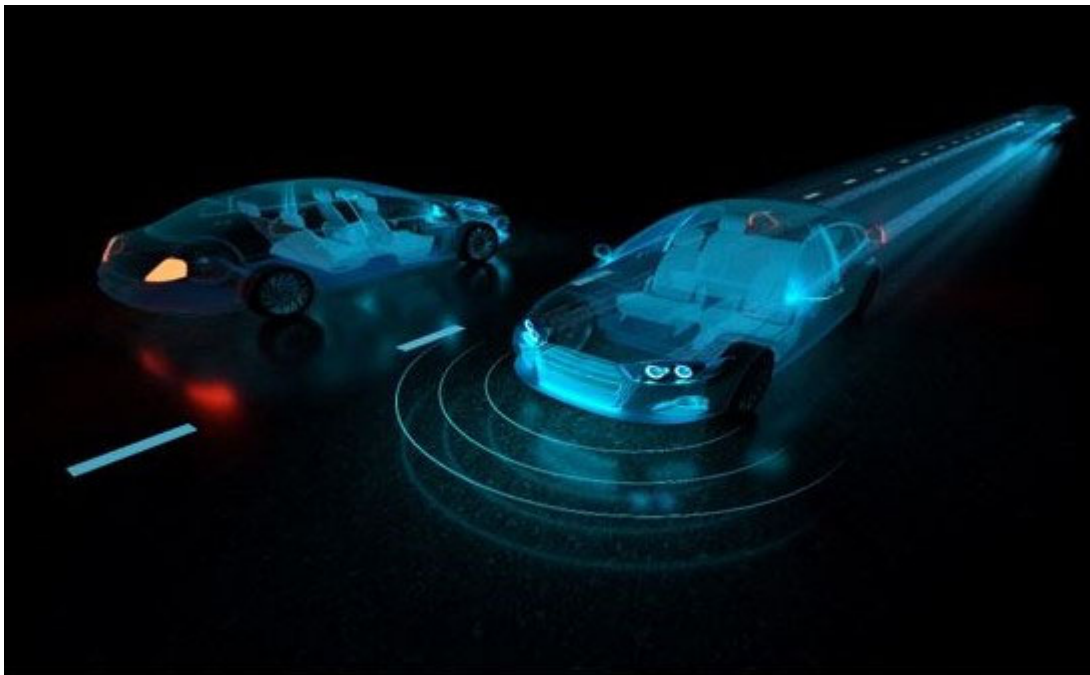

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How Driverless Cars Will Change the World

A world in which cars can drive themselves is coming quicker than you may realize. What would this world look like? If you believe the optimists, driverless cars will increase mobility, bring environmental benefits and renew the relationship between suburbs and cities. If you believe the pessimists, driverless cars will only exacerbate our current problems.

Which vision comes to pass depends on how well our society prepares for the arrival of driverless cars. We will need a new laws and regulations well before the technology takes off, and we will need the vision to anticipate the problems and the opportunities that autonomous vehicles present.

To that end, Newsweek and Georgia Institute of Technology sponsored a seminar, How Driverless Cars Will Change The World, to bring together experts from city governments, Silicon Valley, Detroit and elsewhere to discuss how to bring about the future we all want.

Watch the webinar recording here.

Read More About the Event

Healthy Livable Communities
Georgia Healthy Cities Hosts First Workshop

Georgia Healthy Cities, a Neighborhood Nexus project funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's 500 Cities Data Challenge grant, hosted the first of four workshops

about community-level health and the social determinants of health. The kickoff event happened in Savannah, where more than 70 attendees, including health experts, community and civic leaders, and residents discussed the multifaceted nature of health and wellness, inequities in health, and how our neighborhoods shape health outcomes.

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In the News....…

The Health Benefits of Safer Streets

Albany, GA., Pursues $18.3 Million in Smart Meter Funding

Metro Atlanta Smart Cities Workshop Resources

Tech Solution: Wristband Pilot Program Hopes to Aid Homeless Population

Georgia Tech, ATDC to Host the NFL's Annual Super Bowl Startup Pitch Competition

Georgia Tech Hosting Series of Talks on Redesigning Cities to Meet Needs of the 21st Century

What the National Climate Assessment Means for Rural, Coastal Georgia

Atlanta's North Ave Smart Corridor Project Honored

Floods, Fire, and Hurricanes: Dire Warnings for Georgia in Climate Report

Featured Upcoming Event:

GA Smart Webinar # 2 January 24, 2019

Join us on **January 24, 2019** from **Noon until 1pm**, for our second GA Smart webinar series installment. Kim Cobb, Georgia Power Chair and ADVANCE Professor in the School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences will discuss her research on Hurricane Resilience and Global Change.

Register for the webinar series here.

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Other Upcoming Events...

1/9 - Hot Cities 2050

1/23 - Urban Air Mobility: An Opportunity for Georgia

4/1-4 - Smart Cites Connect

4/11-12 - Southern Data Science Conference

4/15-17 - Smart Cities Week San Diego

Join Webinar #2 here.

Future Dates:

Webinar #3 - March 7, 2019
Angshuman Guin, *Connected Vehicles and Traffic Management*

Webinar #4 - May 9, 2019
Omar Isaac Asensio, *Housing Data Analysis and Visualization*

GA Smart Wishes Everyone a Wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!!

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