Where are we headed?

To get an idea of what the future looks like, NEC has classified the major social and global trends for the next 10 years into six megatrends. These trends are intricately connected and affect each other as a series of chain reactions. As these chain reactions increase in speed, we begin to reach the limit of how accurately we can predict the future. However, it is precisely because of these rapid changes that we must correctly identify global-scale megatrends and understand their essential qualities in terms of long-term impact. We believe that awareness of the long-term impact of megatrends will also help us imagine, and prepare for, various scenarios concerning what might happen in the future.

How can we face these challenges?

NEC has devised seven themes from wide-ranging perspectives, including the environment, society, industry and daily lifestyles, by identifying six megatrends. These themes are embodied in our Solutions for Society business, through which we aim to solve the issues facing society by maximizing the benefits of information and communications technologies (ICT). For example, it is forecast that we will be consuming two planets’ worth of resources by 2050. We believe that we can drastically decrease waste and achieve a sustainable society by leveraging ICT to overhaul entire systems, including our systems of distribution and consumption, without increasing production. NEC is committed to working together with customers, partners, and stakeholders to create new value, build a better society, and achieve a brighter future in which safe, secure, efficient, and equal services are widely available to everyone.
Since our foundation on July 17, 1899, NEC has forged a long history of innovation in the information and communications field. Under the slogan “Better Products, Better Services,” we have aspired to carry out our promise of bringing our customers world-class products and dependable follow-up service and support.

NEC is an industry leader in ICT, driving the development of cutting-edge technologies in computing, networks and software for building solutions. We are also engaged in many research and development initiatives in the advanced areas of data science and artificial intelligence (AI).

Our technological capabilities and knowhow are greatly contributing to the enhancement of social infrastructure and are helping to realize a society where people have efficient and equal access to safe and secure services.

Creating the future with our customers

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AI technology is the key to new value creation and new business models in the IoT era

We are living in the era of IoT—a time where all kinds of things and contexts are connected, driving digitalization and the accumulation of enormous amounts of knowledge. For this knowledge to be shared and used as an asset for society, we are looking to AI to mine our stores of accumulated data for new discoveries that will bring increased value to society and business alike.

NEC’s leadership in this field is well known. We possess a rich portfolio of No.1 and Only 1 AI technologies in the areas of Visualization, Analysis, and Prescription of things and contexts.

NEC has unified these state-of-the-art AI technologies under the brand name “NEC the WISE.”

Our sophisticated AI technologies—which include image and video recognition, language and semantic understanding, and prediction and detection—are proving invaluable in the development of solutions for current problems, as well in driving the development of innovative new products and solutions.
Supporting diverse communication services with advanced SDN/NFV solutions

Providing safety and security for daily life and society in both the physical world and the cyber world

Linking MAKE, CARRY, and SELL to offer new values across the entire value chain

Safety

Physical Security/Cyber Security

Manufacturing/Logistics/Retail/Services

Retail IT Services

Telecommunications

Global Carrier Networks

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Globalization and advancement of IoT have led to the rise of various kinds of threats to daily life and society. NEC supports safety and security through cutting-edge, world-class AI and biometrics technologies.

All regions in the world are facing problems of traffic congestion, deteriorating social infrastructure and critical facilities, and a host of other infrastructure challenges.

Traffic and Urban Infrastructure

As AI and IoT drives the utilization of Big Data across a wide array of fields, NEC supports the continuous creation of new customer value through advanced analytics services.

Supporting the creation of safe, secure and attractive cities utilizing AI

Smart Cities

Tigre, Argentina

Surat, India

DMICDC (India)

As communication traffic rapidly expands due to IoT and mobile communications, NEC provides the world with cutting-edge solutions to address these problems and deliver convenient and efficient, as well as safe and secure, traffic and urban infrastructure.

Data traffic is surging globally. NEC is capitalizing on its world-class achievements in providing extensive solutions to advance communication services, build communication infrastructure, and realize rich social value creation.

At a time of increasingly diversified consumer needs and rapidly changing market environments, NEC drives Value Chain Innovation that revolutionizes the entire value chain of MAKE, CARRY, and SELL to provide a better life for everyone.

Realizing sustainable agriculture by leveraging AI and IoT

KAGOME

Developing smart clothes that measure vital signs using ICT

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Providing a new way of payment at convenience stores using smartphone apps

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Commitment to co-creation that generates social value

NEC is collaborating with customers, partners, governments and local bodies, and international organizations to co-create new social value and new business models.

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