

NEC R&D Aimed at Social Value Innovation

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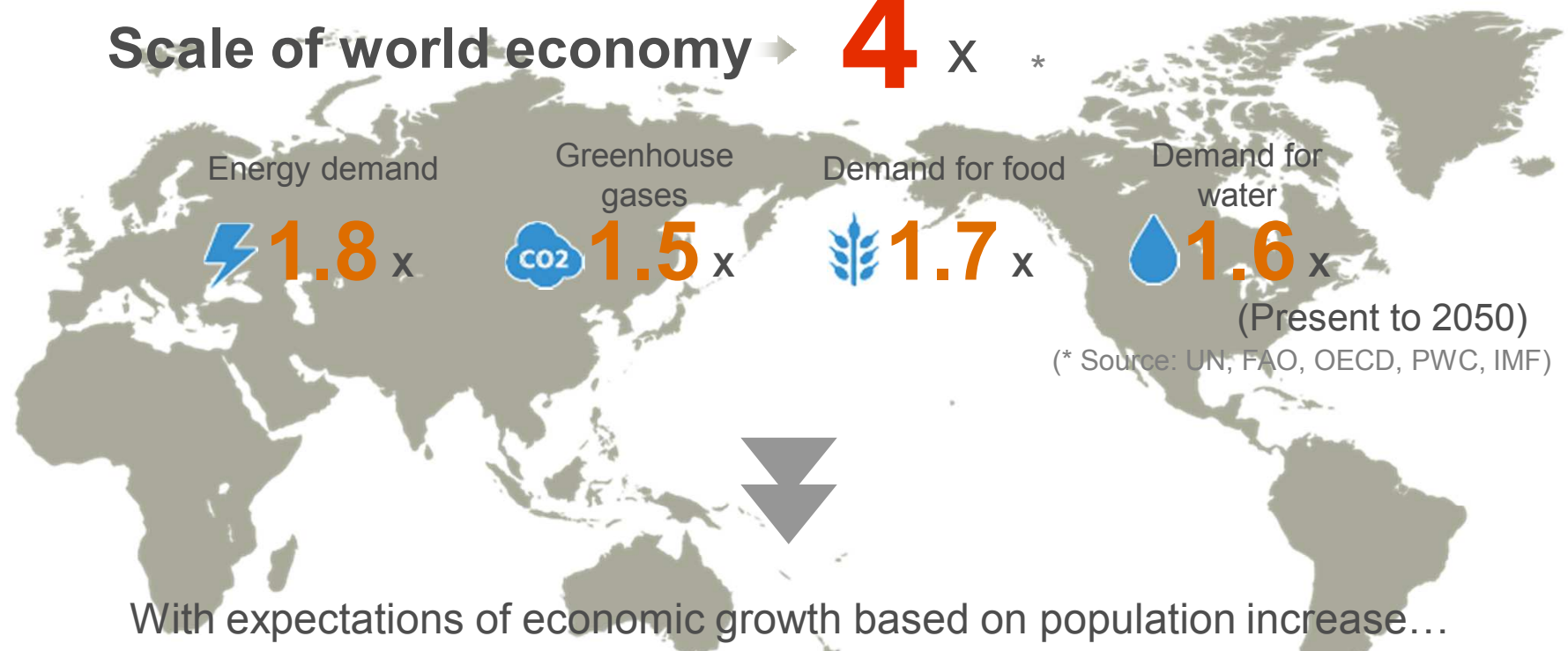
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The Future World Economy

World population: 7 billion → **9** billion (1.3 X) Ratio of urban residents: 50% → **70** %

Scale of world economy → **4** X *



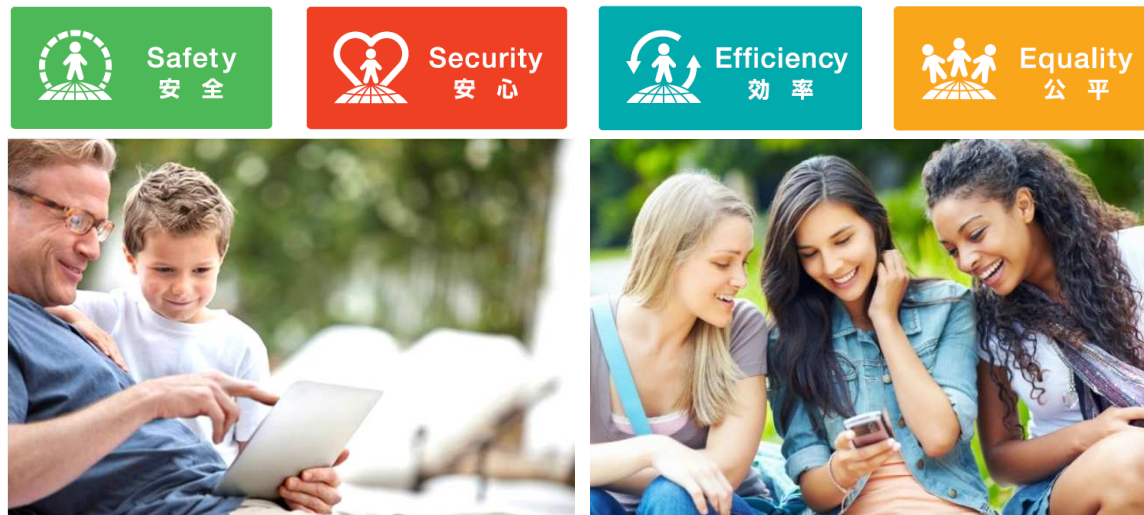
With expectations of economic growth based on population increase...

Innovative social infrastructure will be required to make it possible to lead safe and secure lives and make efficient use of resources

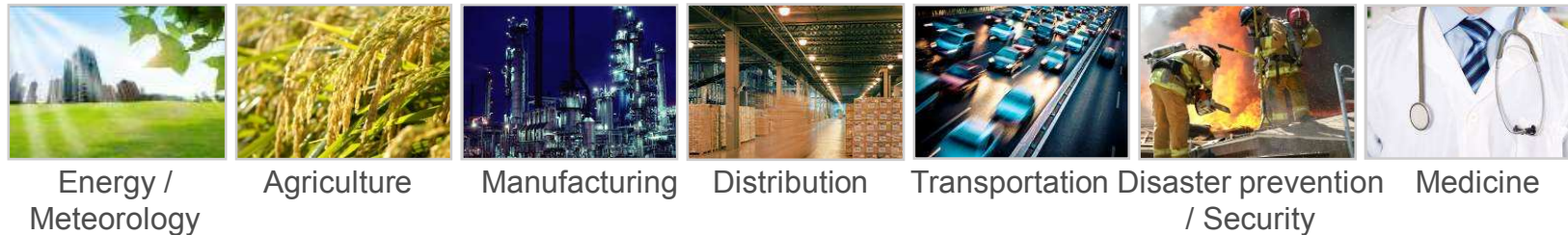
NEC's Focus: Solutions for Society

Providing infrastructure for an abundant society for all people via ICT

Social Value Innovations

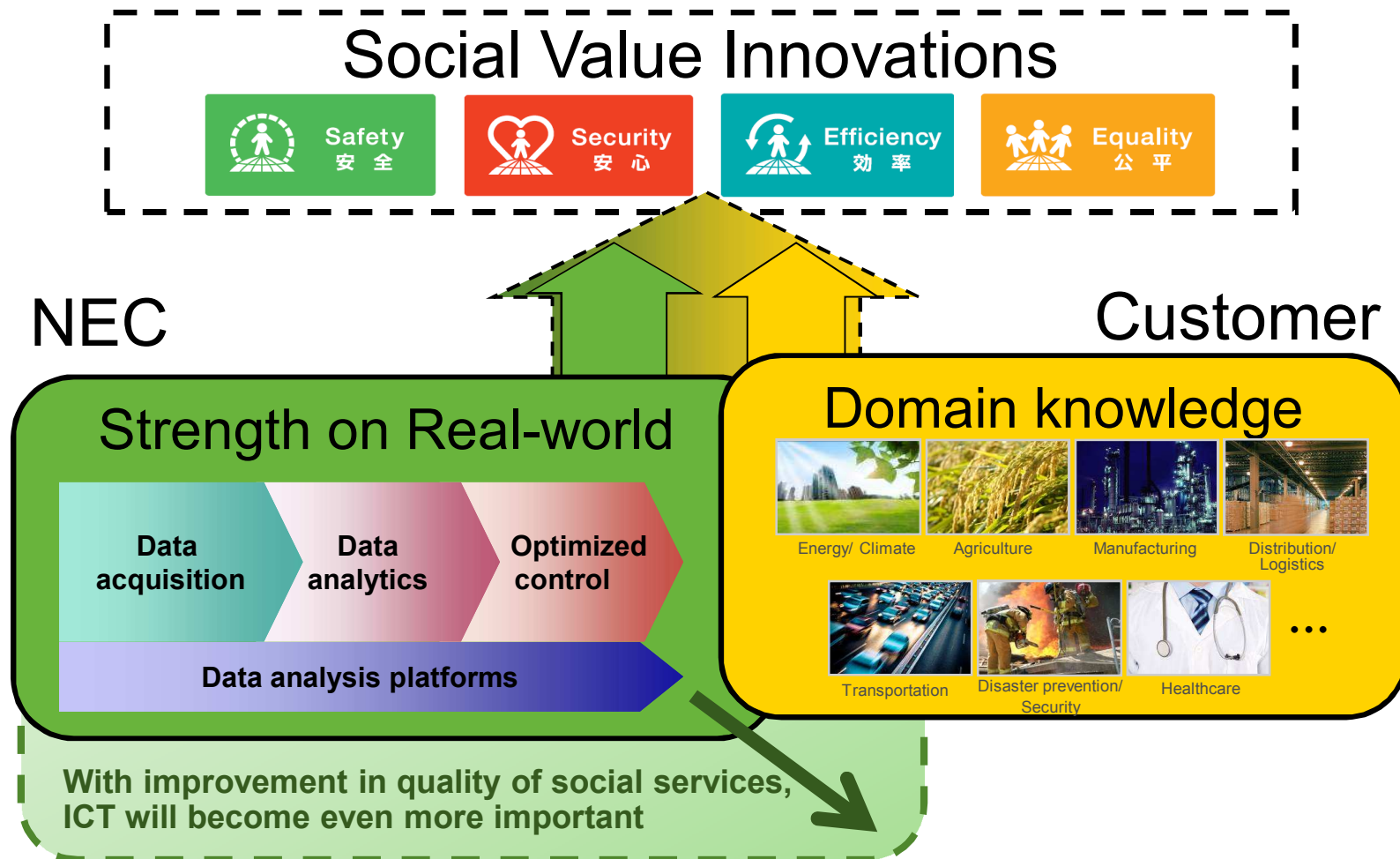


Supporting the Evolution of Worldwide Social Infrastructure through ICT



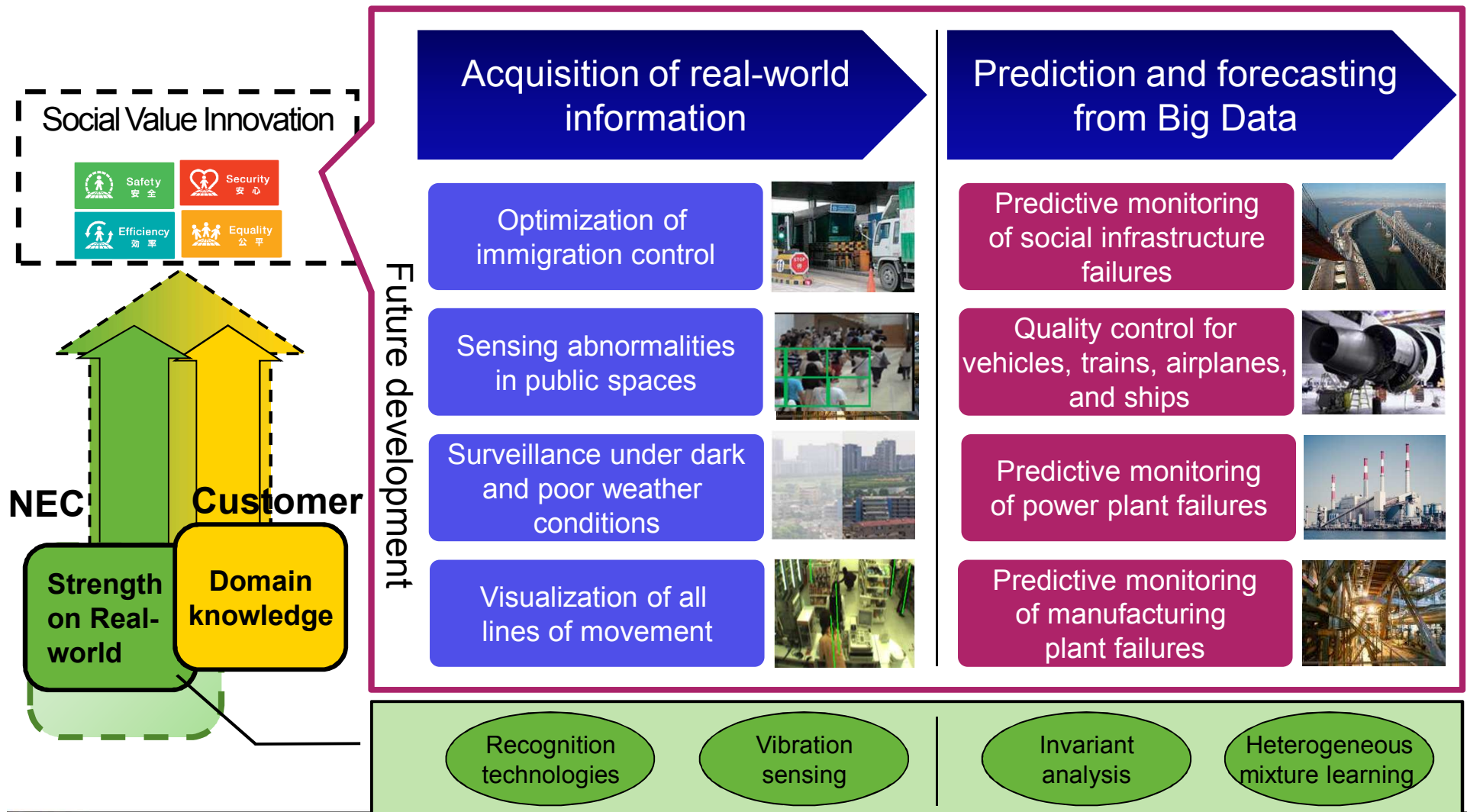
Collaboration with Customers Engaged in Resolving Real World Problems

- Direct involvement of ICT in customer's efforts to resolve social problems
- Leverage NEC's strength on real-world in solving problems



NEC Technologies that Underpin the Advancement of Social Infrastructure

Increasing opportunities to provide values utilizing NEC's ICT

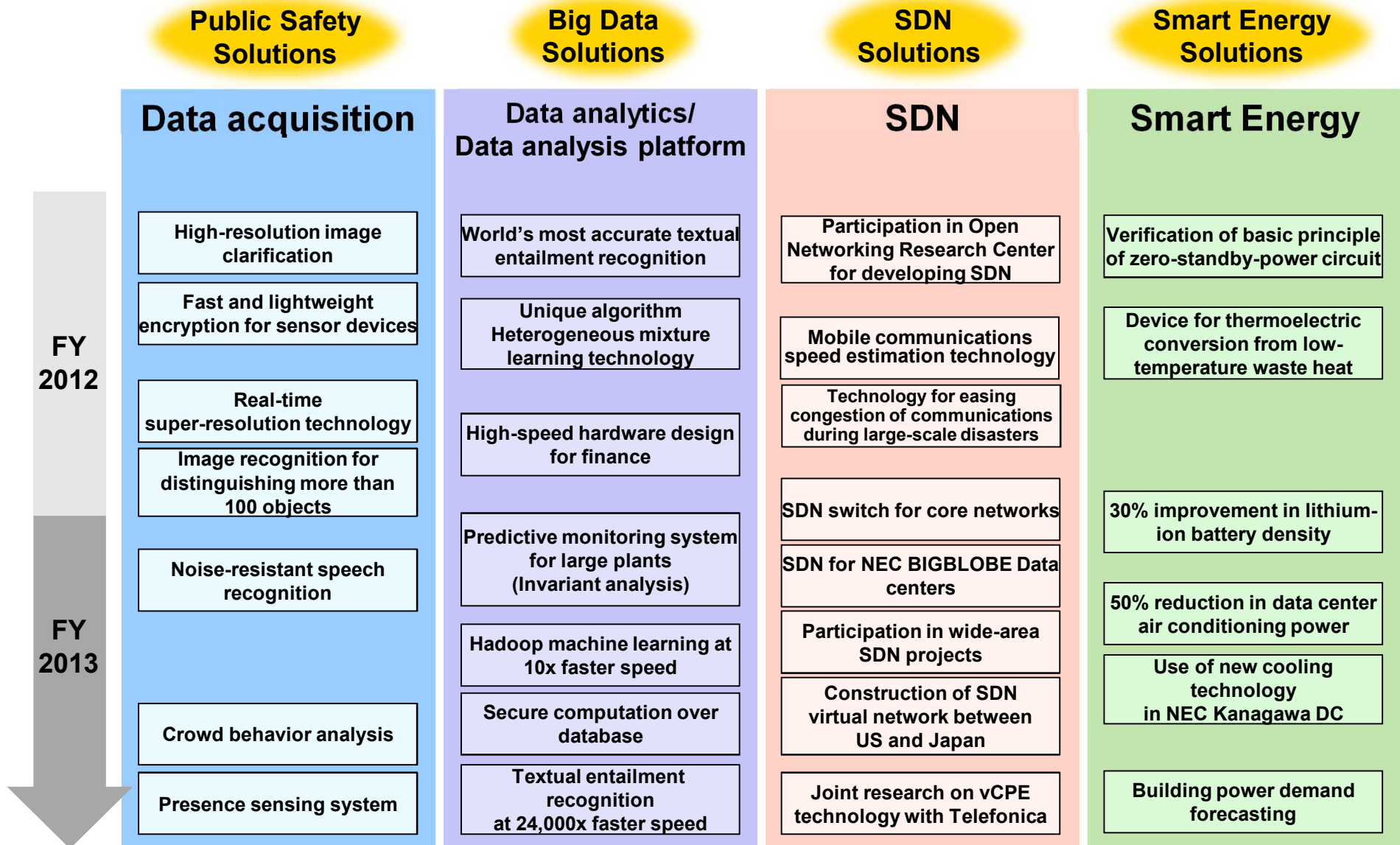


Innovation of Social Infrastructure via ICT

Concentrating management resources in areas in which social infrastructure will be innovated by ICT

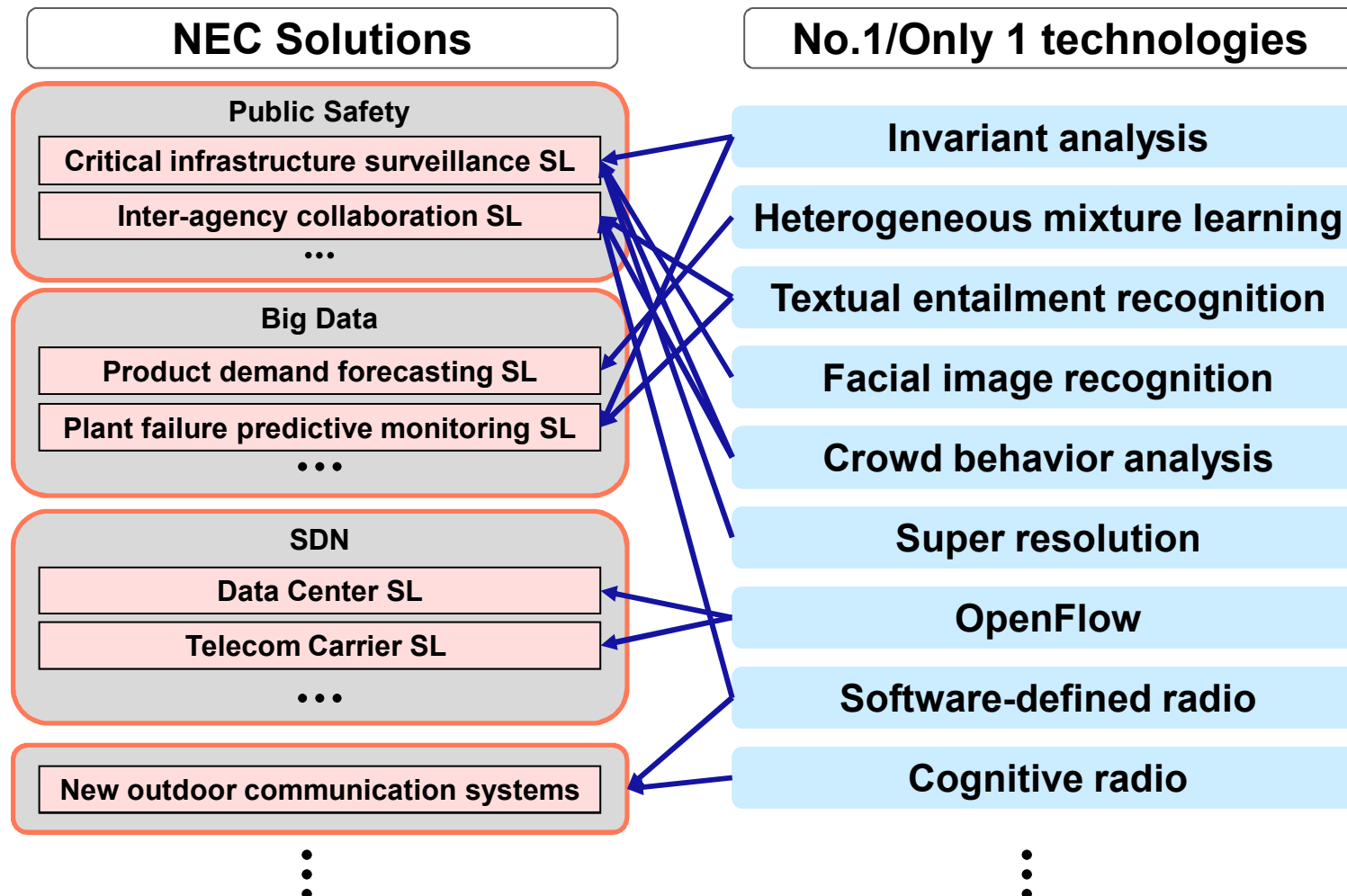


Continuous Creation of No.1/Only 1 Technologies



R&D Underpinning NEC's Solutions

Drive advancement of social infrastructure through creation and combination of No.1/ Only 1 technologies and contribute to current and future business

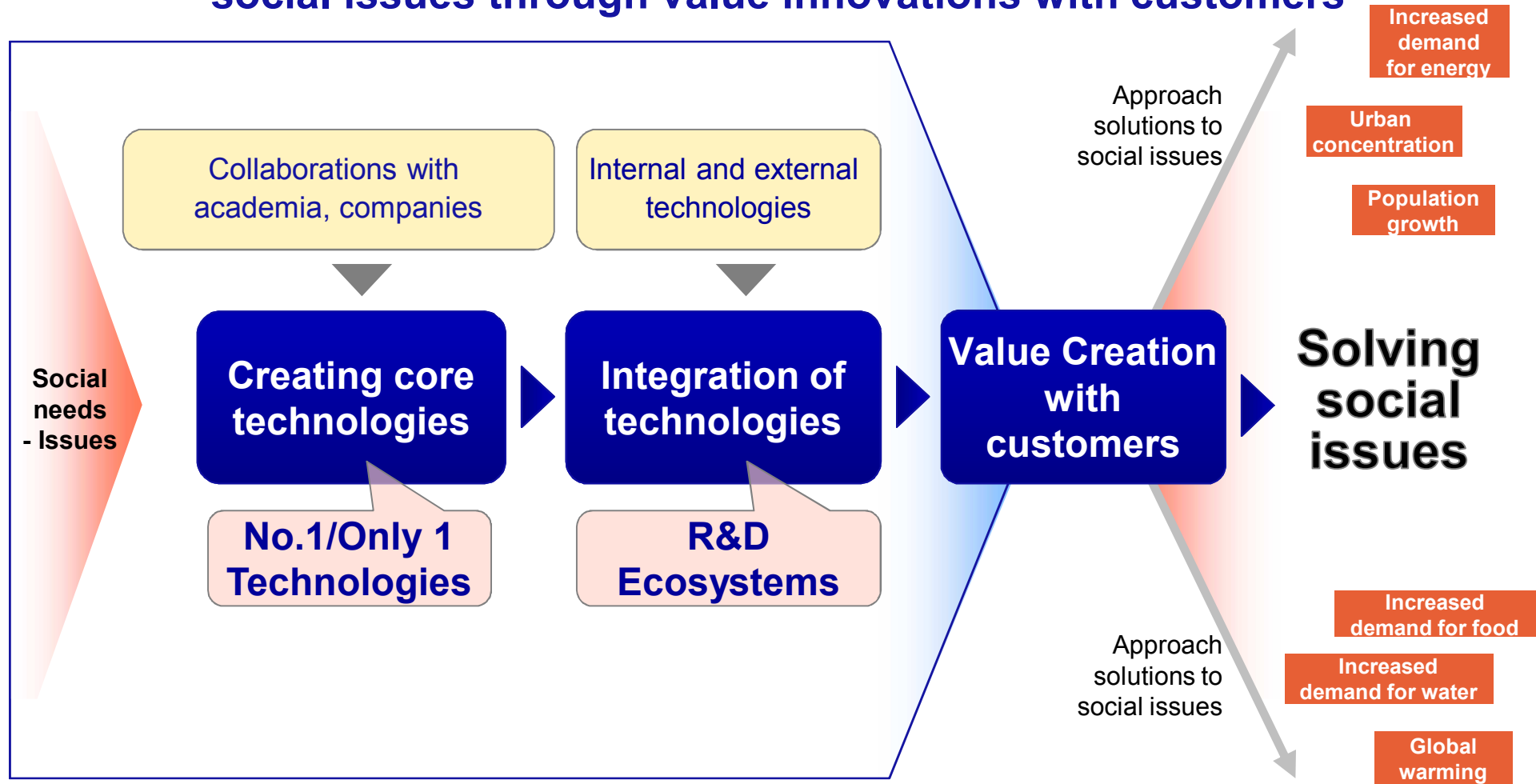


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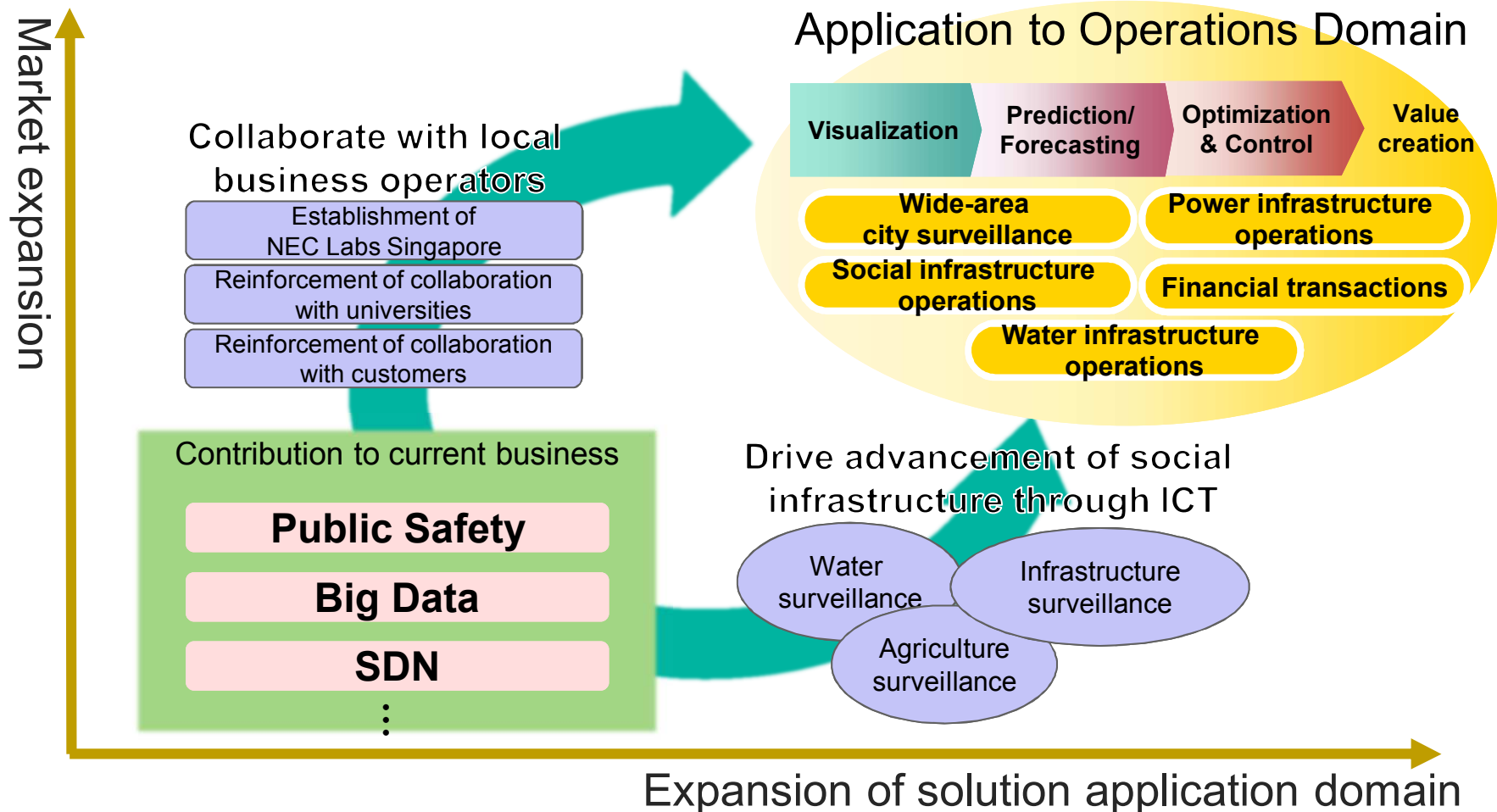
Innovations for Solutions for Society

In addition to creating core technologies and combining essential technologies, we are taking on the challenge of resolving social issues through value innovations with customers



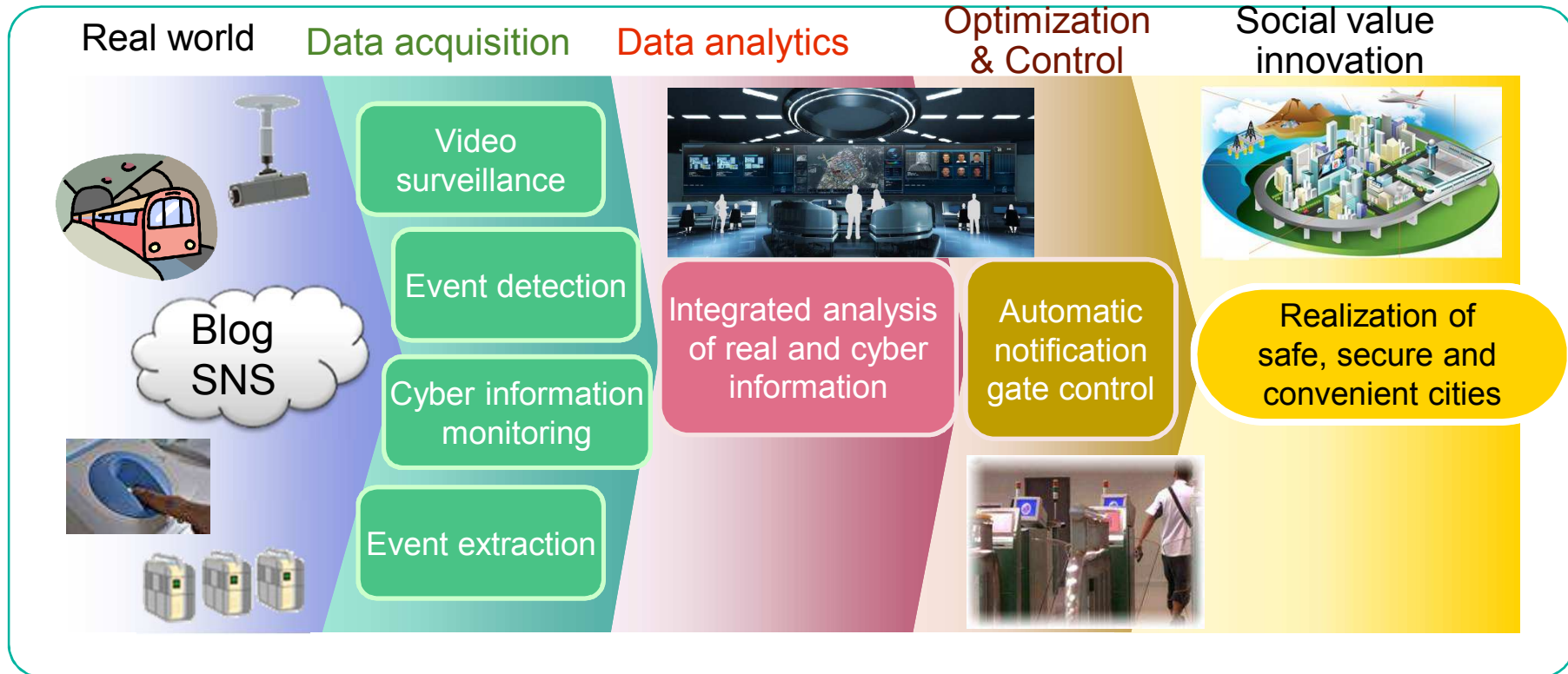
NEC R&D Directions

Expand applicable targets and markets for solutions, apply to operations domain, and leading the transformation of NEC



Initiatives in the Operations Domain: Smart Cities

City operations for building safe, secure, and convenient communities



→ Offer new value to governments and municipalities

Participate as leader of the consortium to carry out “Singapore Safe City Test Bed Projects”.

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NEC Laboratories Mission and Vision

Mission

**Continue to create advance technologies
that contribute to the realization of
an “abundant society,” and propel the growth of NEC**

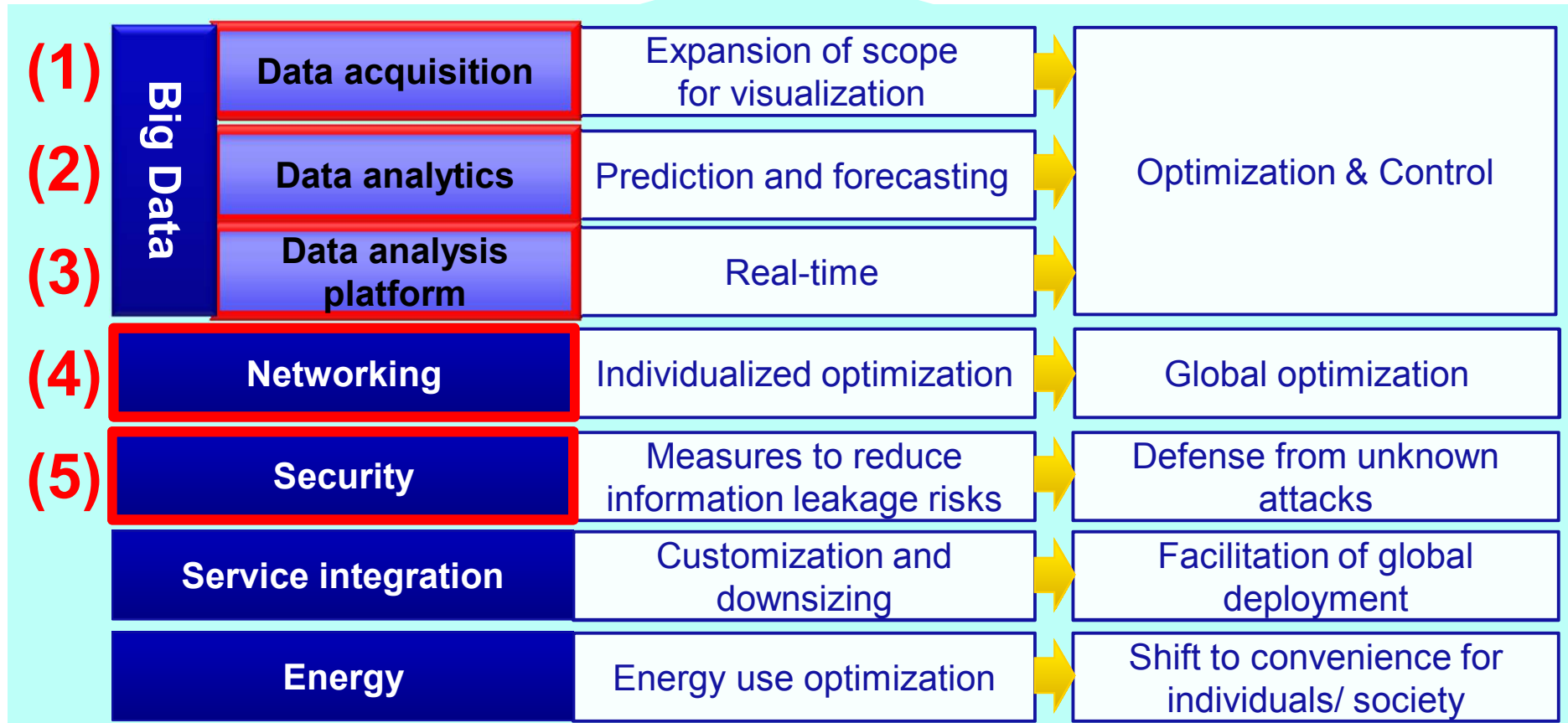


Vision

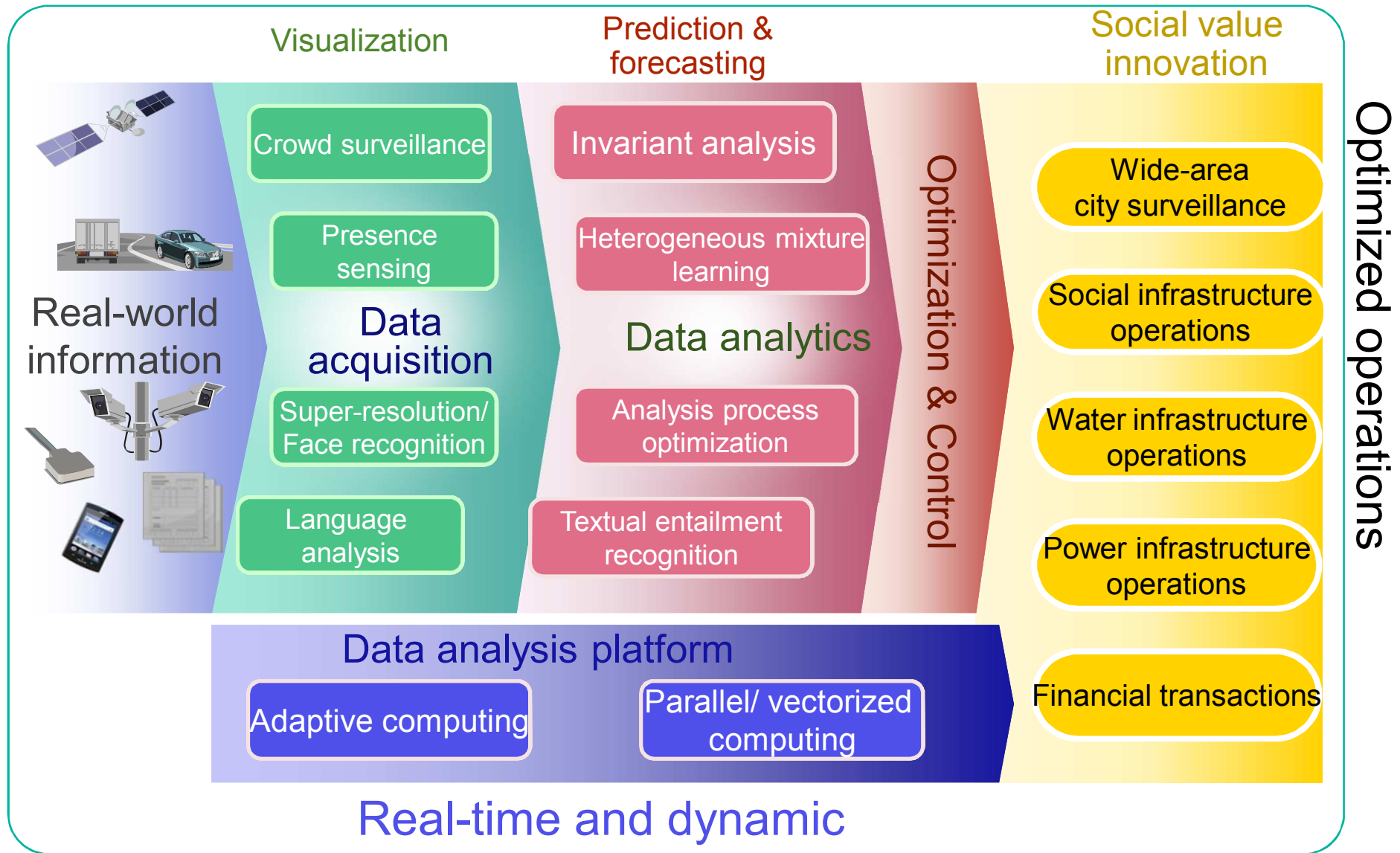
“Value Co-Creation Research Laboratories”
Leverage No.1/ Only 1 technologies in creating value with customers

R&D that Contributes to the Growth of NEC

Focus on seven research areas towards advancement of social infrastructure

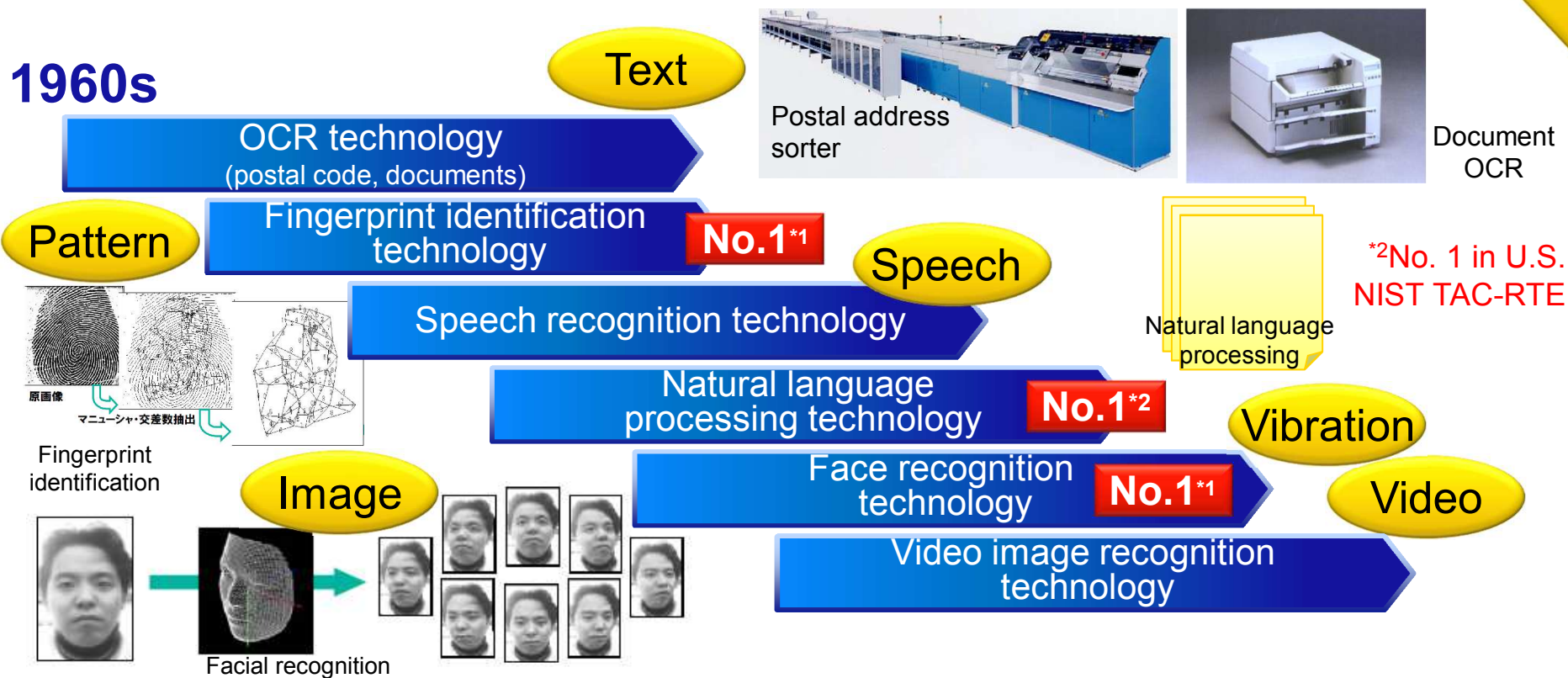


NEC-developed Technologies that Promote Big Data Utilization



(1) Data Acquisition: Leverage the World's Best Recognition Technologies

Big Data



*1No. 1 in U.S. NIST benchmark tests

Global Best

Ownership of the world's best (both qualitatively and quantitatively) recognition technologies built over 50 years of history in research and development of recognition technologies

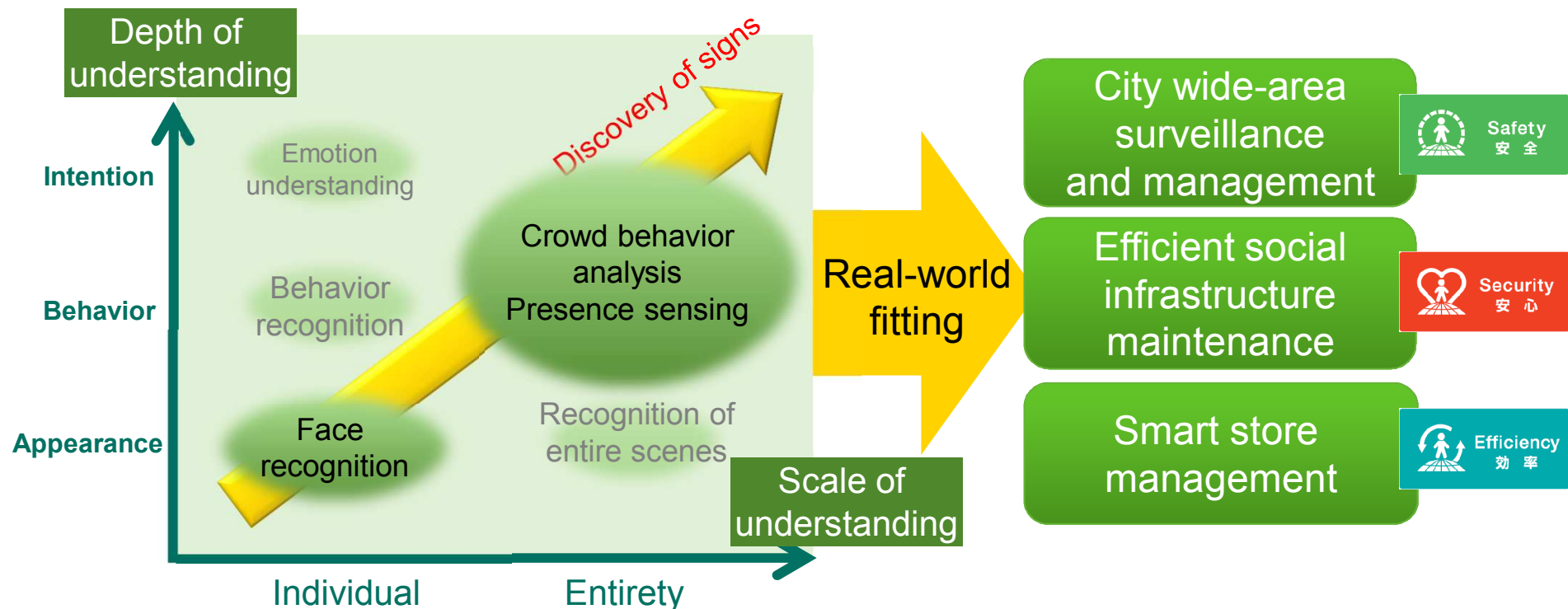
(1) Data Acquisition: Increase in Quantity and Quality of Data that can be Handled

Big Data

Acquisition and analysis of conventionally difficult to obtain real-world data through the understanding of diverse meanings and the real-world fitting

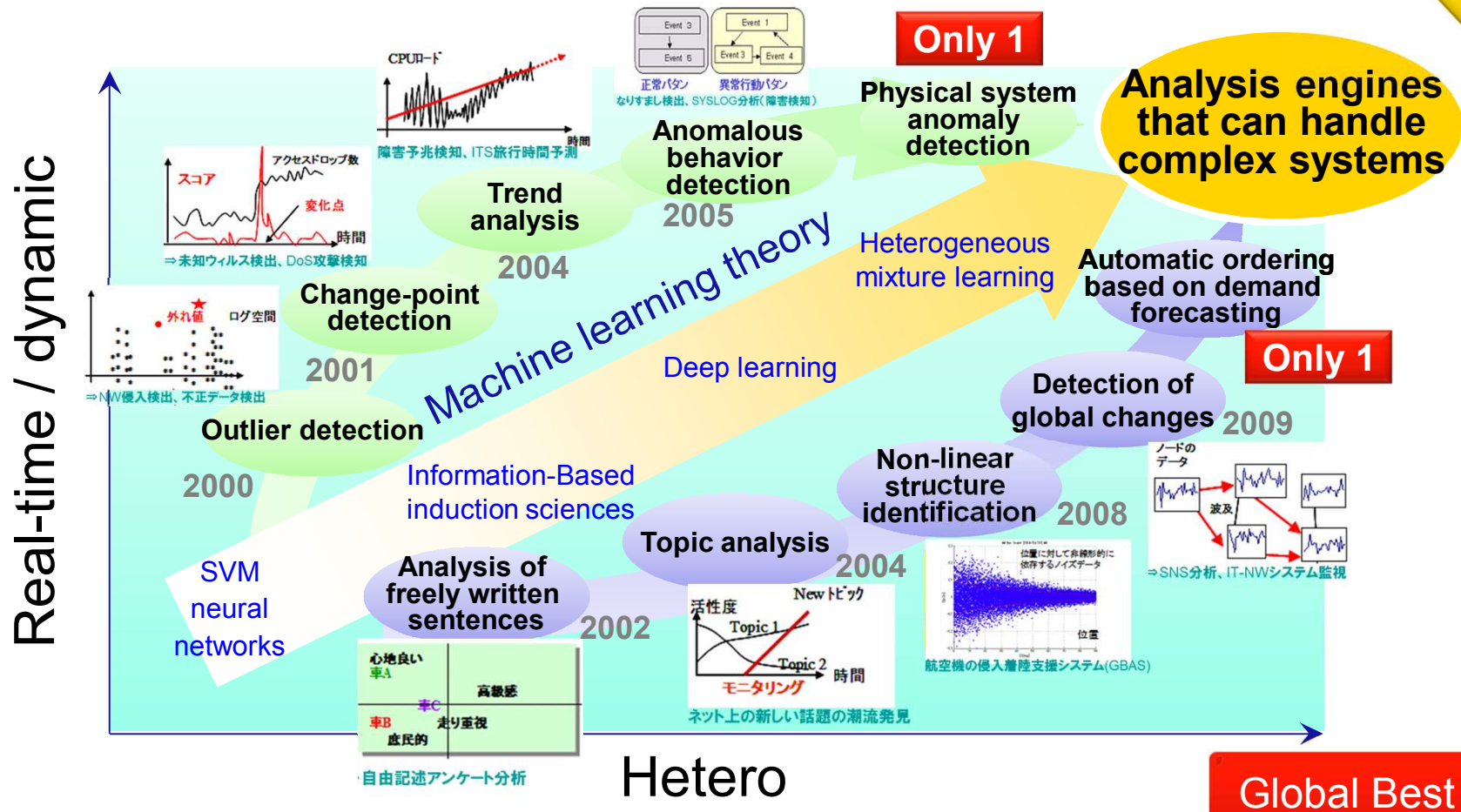
Visualization of signs of future events

New business creation



(2) Data Analytics: Analysis Engines that can Handle Complex Systems

Big Data



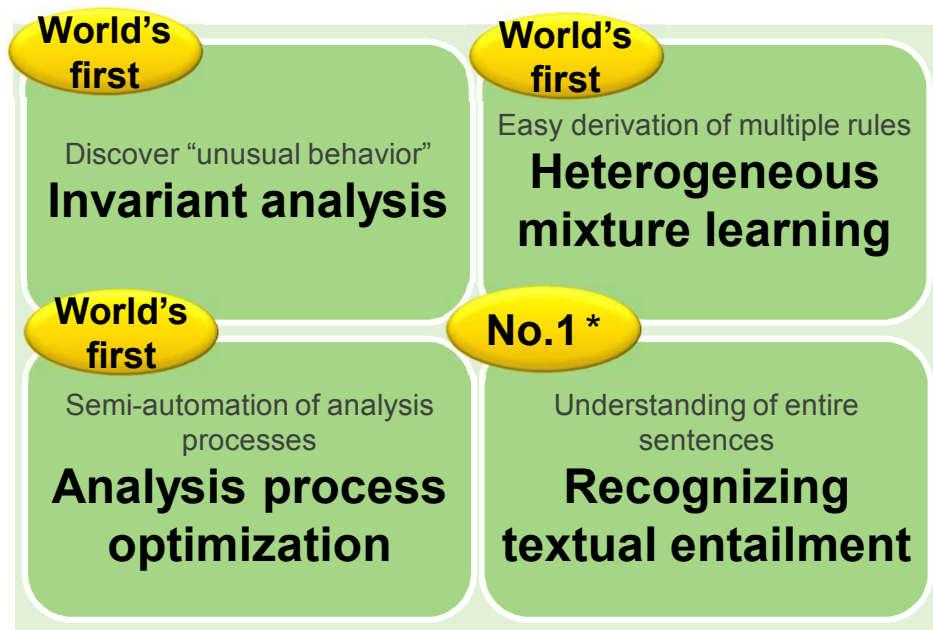
Diverse analysis engines that can handle analysis of complex and large amounts of real-world data and advanced optimization of analysis processes

(2) Data Analytics: Advanced Analysis Engines

Big Data

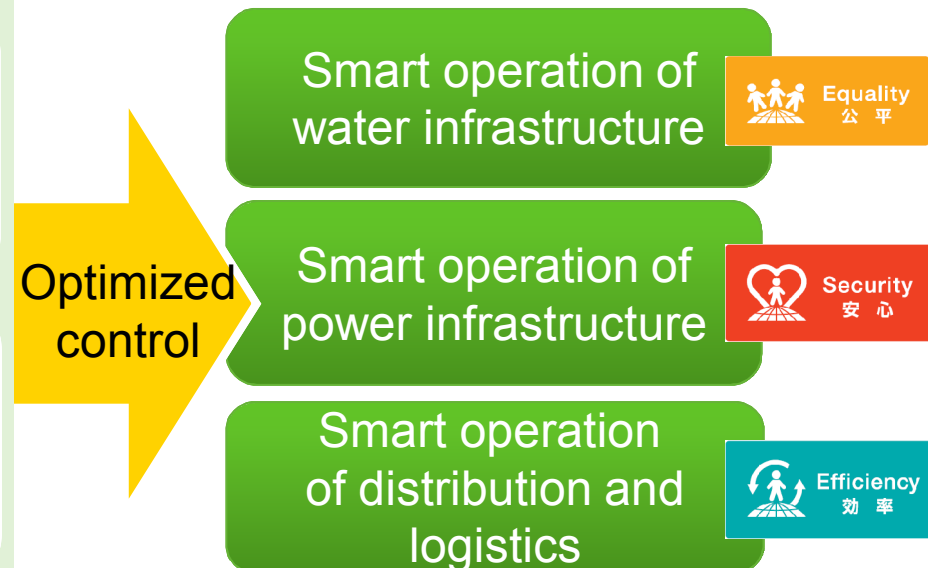
Realize efficient social infrastructure operations through analysis engines for deciphering big data and optimized control

Global best analysis engines



*No. 1 in NIST TAC-RTE

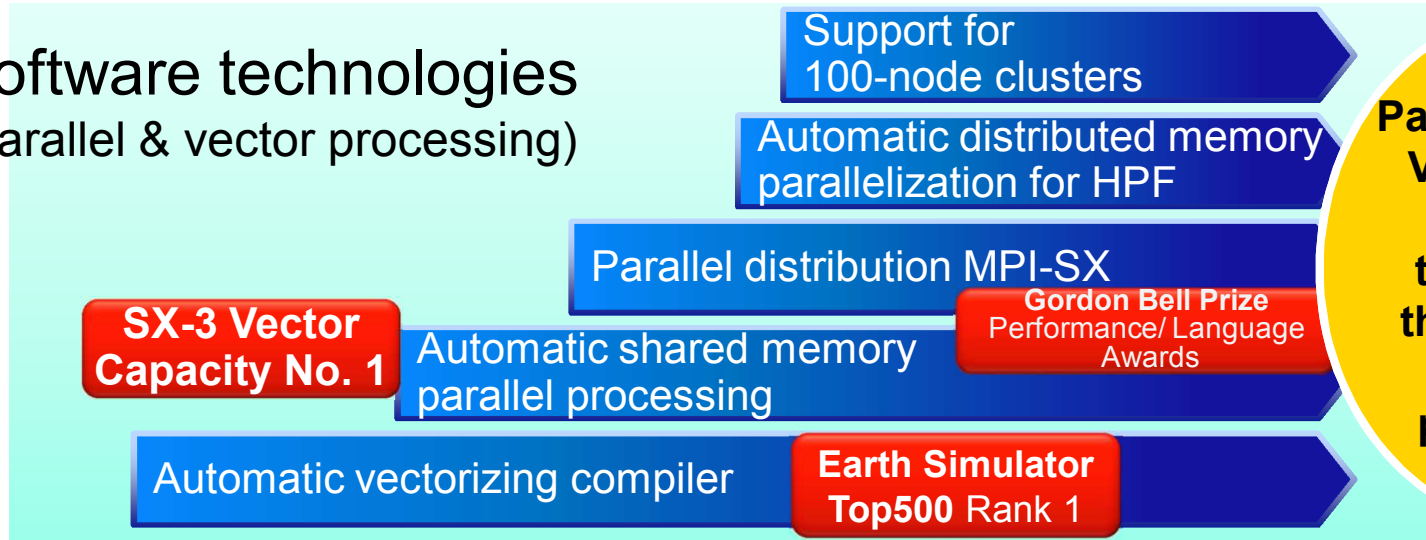
New business creation



(3) Data Analysis Platform: Parallelization & Vectorization Software Technologies

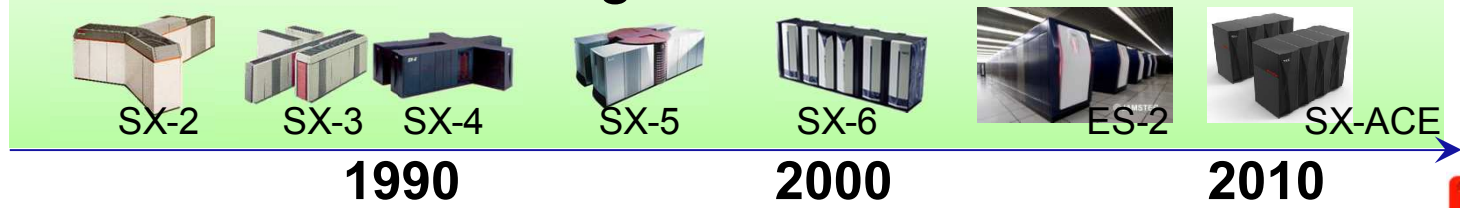
Big Data

Software technologies
(Parallel & vector processing)



Parallelization & Vectorization software technologies that maximize hardware performance

Hardware technologies



Global Best

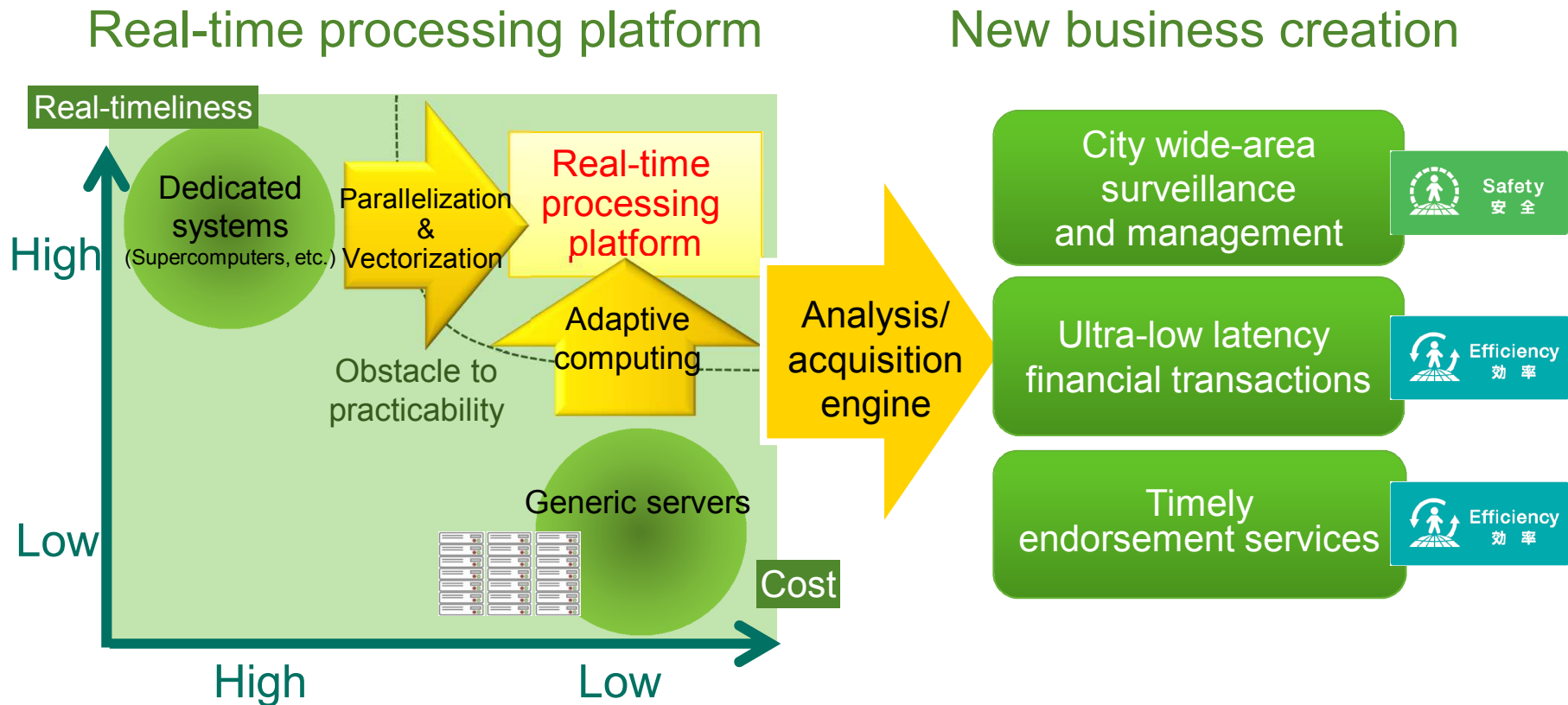
Realize outstanding performance in Parallelization & Vectorization software technologies through a long history of supercomputer development

*Gordon Bell Prize: Most authoritative award in high-performance computing

(3) Data Analysis Platform: Pursuing the Highest Level of Real-timeliness

Big Data

Strive for faster speeds and lower costs and realize platforms optimized for real-time operations



(4) Networking: NEC, at the Helm of SDN Advancement




R&D on OpenFlow ★World's first OpenFlow-supported products

Open Networking Foundation (Formerly Open Network Consortium)



(Founding member)
Formulation and standardization of OpenFlow specifications

(Founding member)
Leader of SDN R&D

Open Networking Research Center

Open Networking Research Center at Stanford University

Examples of application of SDN products

Kanazawa Univ. Hospital (2012)

Efficient management of medical operations network



80% reduction in labor costs for operations

NEC BIGLOBE (2013)

SDN-based IaaS

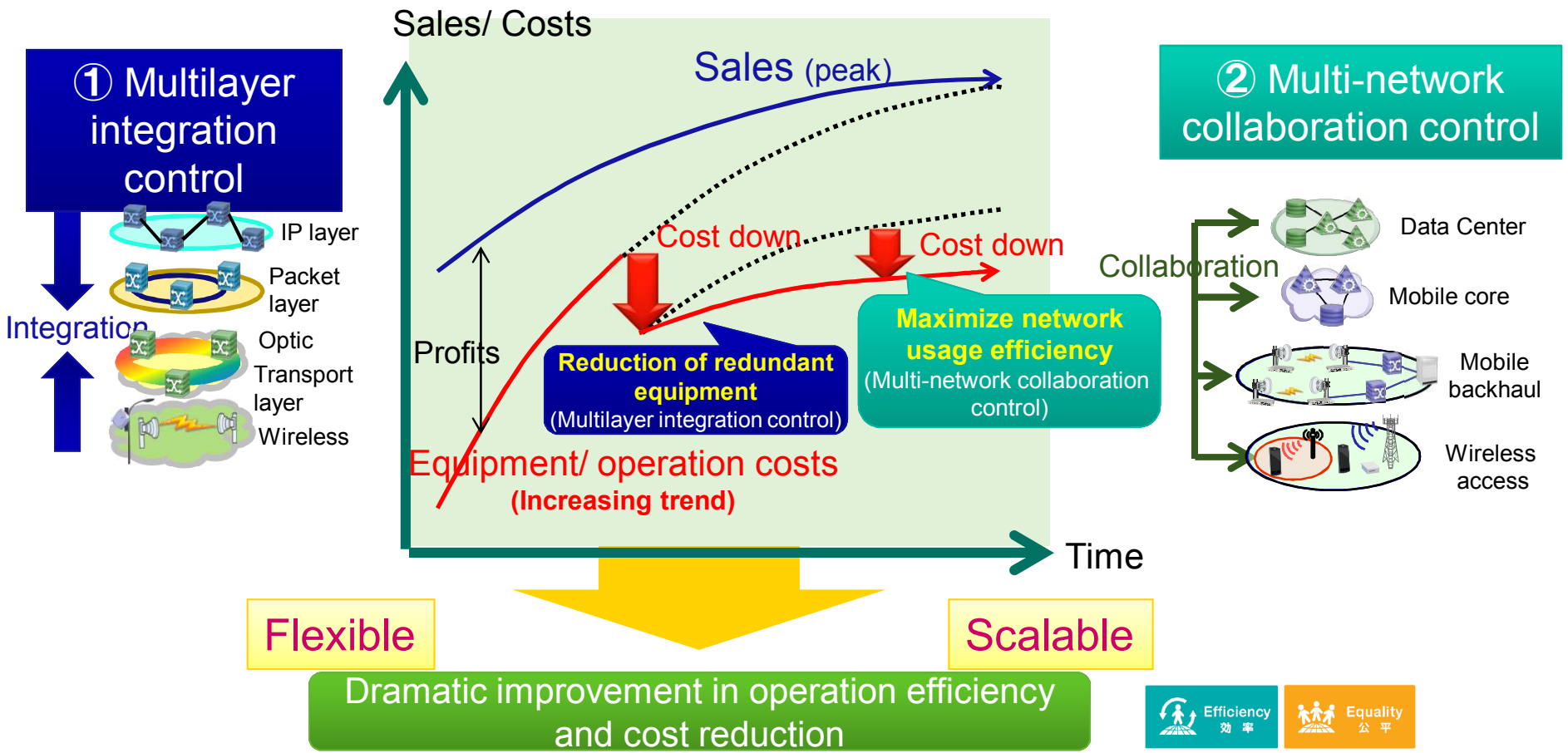
Reduction in network and server construction time from 2 weeks to 10 minutes

Develop advanced SDN technologies through collaboration with Stanford University, conduct on-site verification of SDN value and accumulate knowhow.

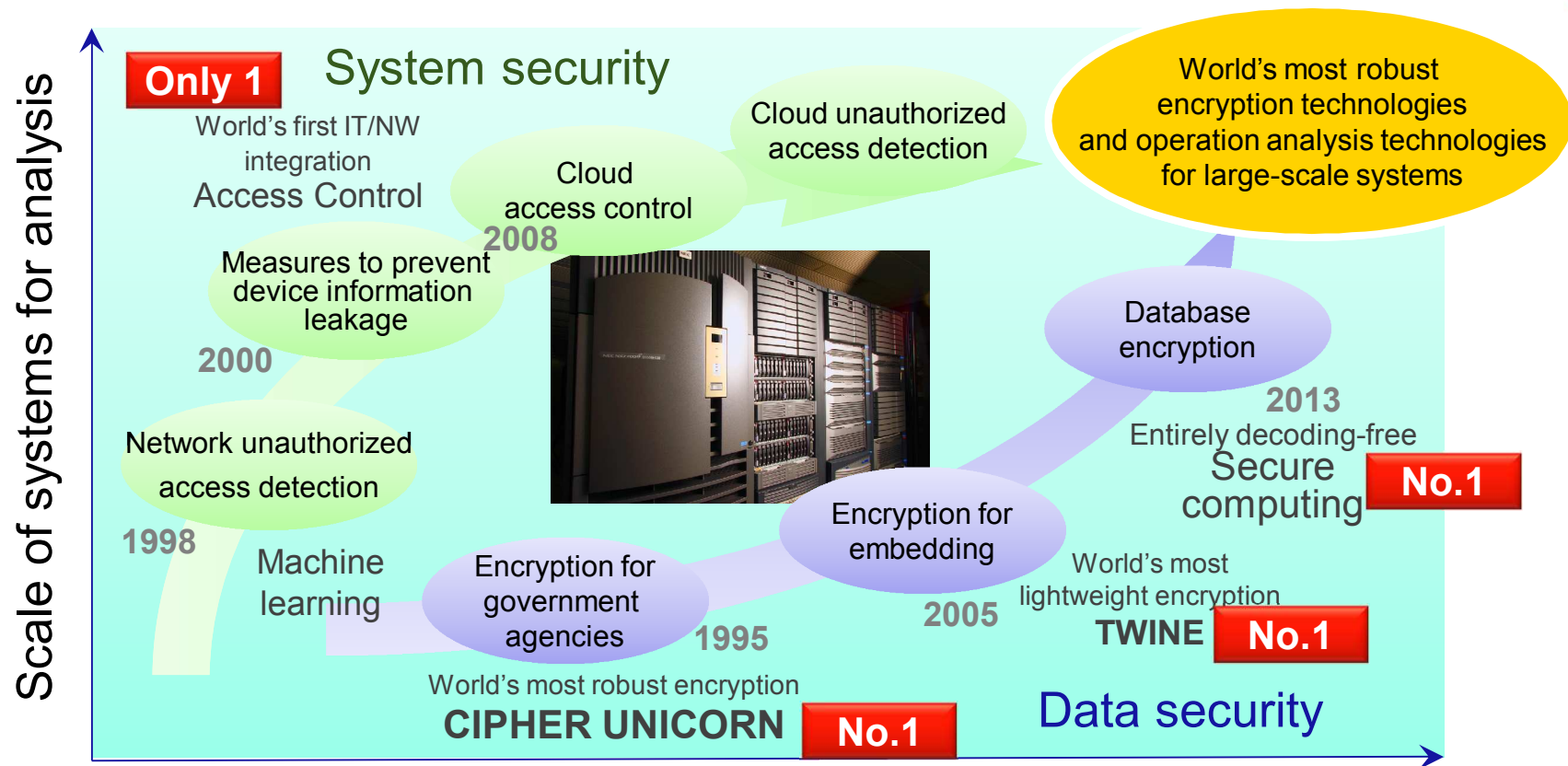
(4) Networking: Enabling Global Optimization by Expanding Scale



Realize dramatic improvement in operation efficiency and cost reduction by shifting from individual optimization to global optimization



(5) Security: Robust and Safe Security Technologies



Encryption performance (robustness x simplicity)

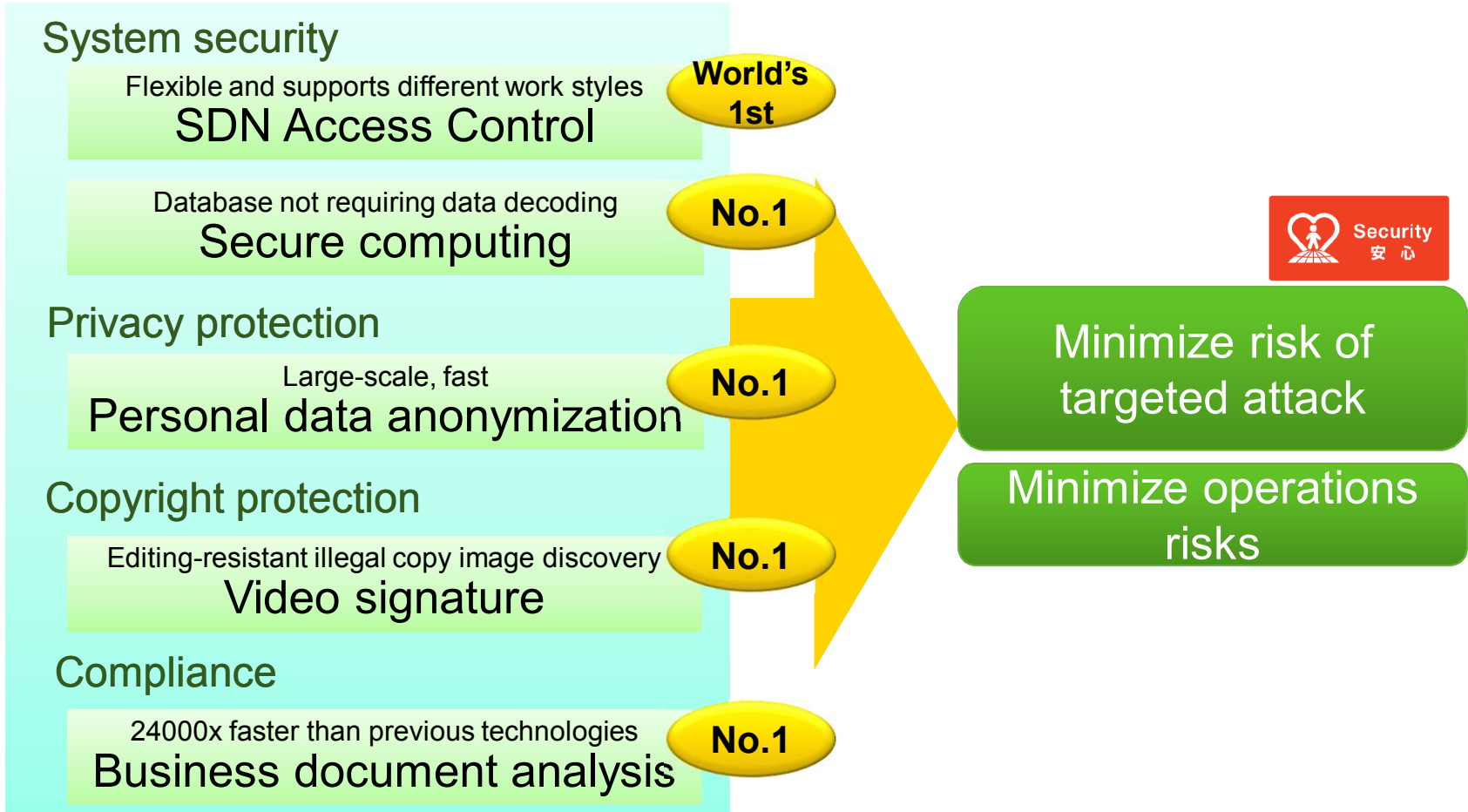
Global Best

Build highly reliable system security platform through world's most robust encryption technologies and operation-analysis technologies for large-scale ICT

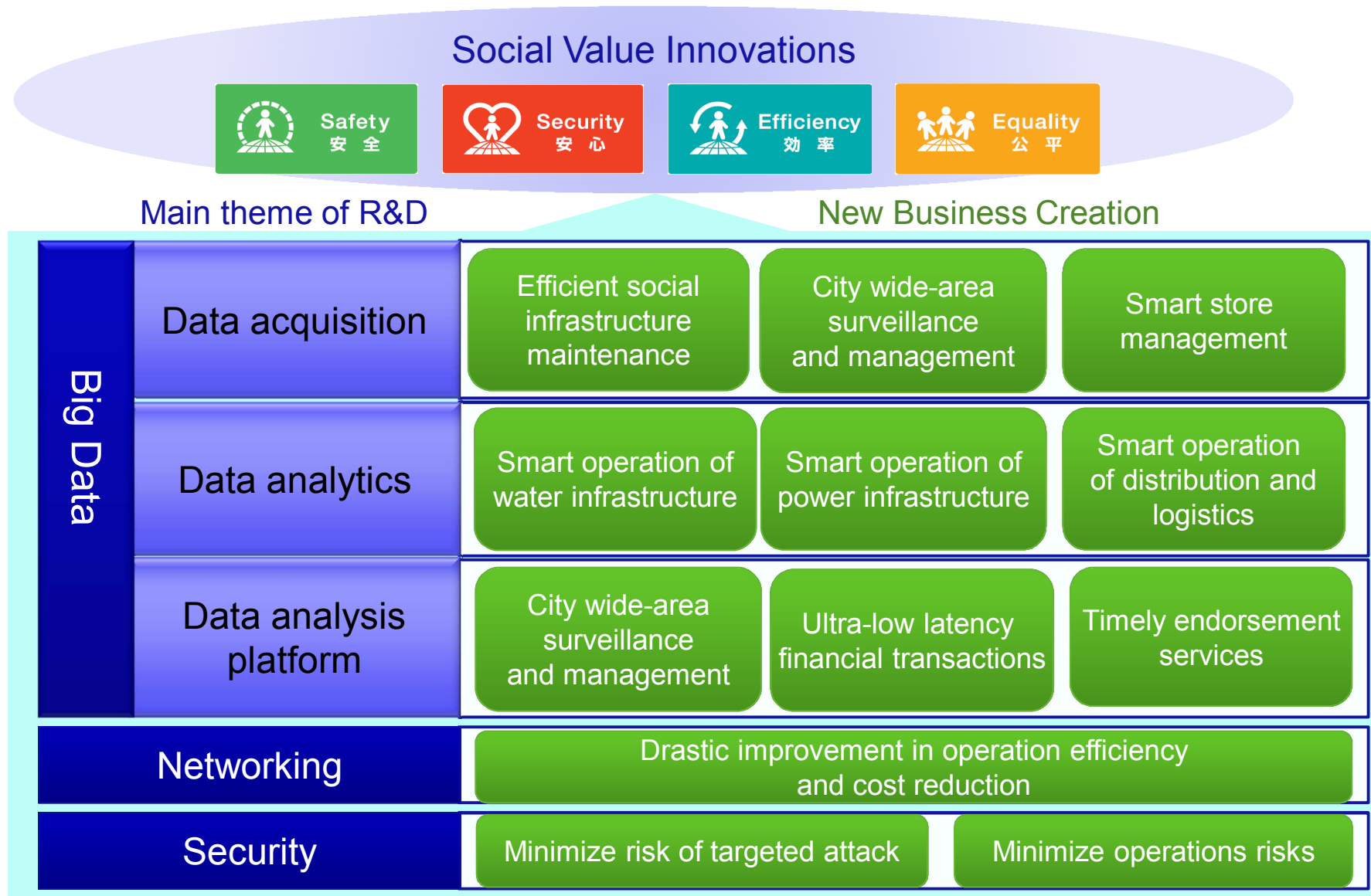
(5) Security: Responding to Increasingly Complex and Diverse Threats



Respond to increasingly complex and diverse threats through system security platforms that utilize the world's most robust encryption technologies and large-scale-system analysis technologies



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Maximizing the Efficiency of R&D Investments

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Further fast-tracking
of creation of
No.1/Only1
technologies

- Concentrate investments in focus research areas
- Reinforcement of exploration of new seeds

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Value creation
with customers

- Fast-track business development through collaboration with customers

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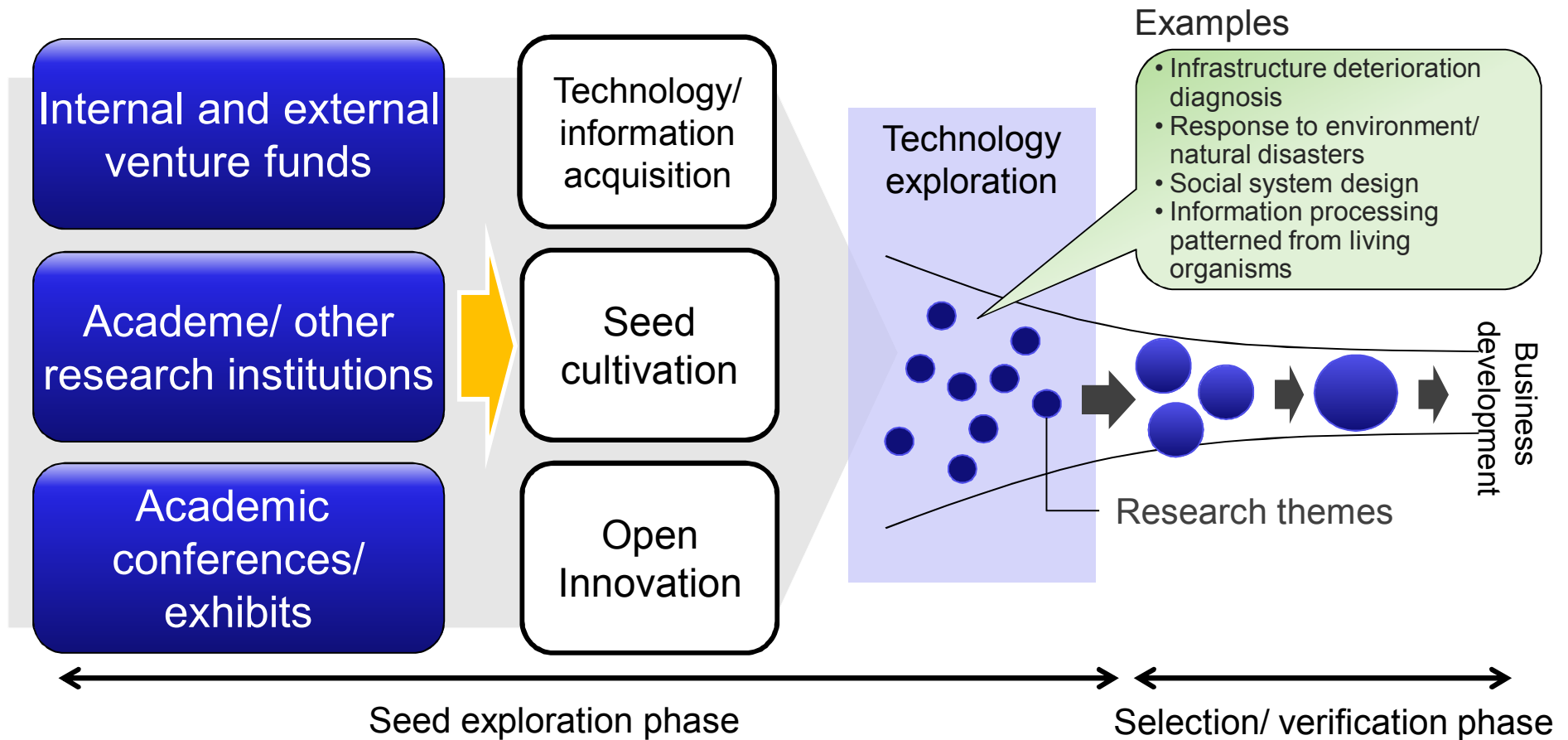
Strengthening of
global R&D

- Initiatives towards fast-tracking global business expansion

Reinforcing Exploration of New Seeds

- 1 Further fast-tracking of creation of No.1/Only1 technologies
- 2 Value creation with customers
- 3 Strengthening of global R&D

Reinforce exploration of new seeds centered on Open Innovation to enable creation of large-scale business for the next Mid-term Plan period (2015 onwards)



Examples of Creating value with Customers

- 1 Further fast-tracking of creation of No.1/Only1 technologies
- 2 Value creation with customers
- 3 Strengthening of global R&D

Fast-tracking of business development through collaboration with customers

The Chugoku Electric Power Co., Inc.

Use of Invariant analysis technology
Detection of signs of plant anomalies

OBAYASHI CORPORATION

Use of Heterogeneous mixture learning technology
Power demand forecasting

Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation

Use of Text analysis
Reinforcement of information governance

Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd.

Use of Heterogeneous mixture learning technology
Energy demand forecasting system for ships

Major retail companies

Use of Heterogeneous mixture learning technology
Merchandise automatic ordering

Reinforce on-site value-creation activities, including in-house trials

Initiatives Towards Fast-tracking Global Business Development



Promote globalization of R&D to reinforce deployment of products and solutions for overseas business

Concrete initiatives:

Field trials through collaborations with local customers in different global centers (Japan, America, Europe, China), as is being done in NEC Laboratories Singapore (established in September)

Advancement of R&D Ecosystem primarily centered on collaboration with universities

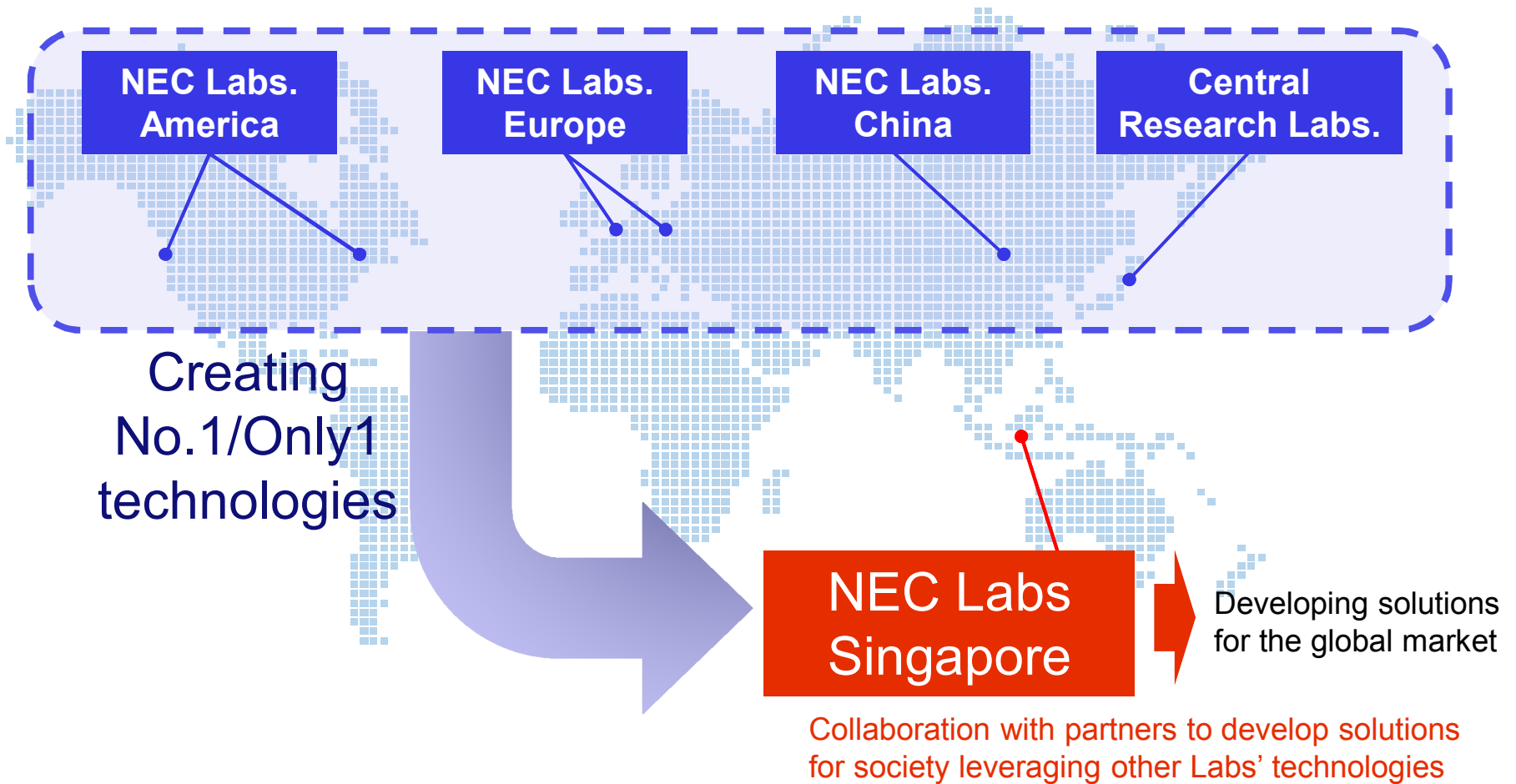
Promotion of hiring and training of global human resources

E.g.: Dispatch young researchers to emerging countries (Work-abroad program), direct hiring of talented personnel from local universities, etc.

Initiatives Towards Global Business Expansion

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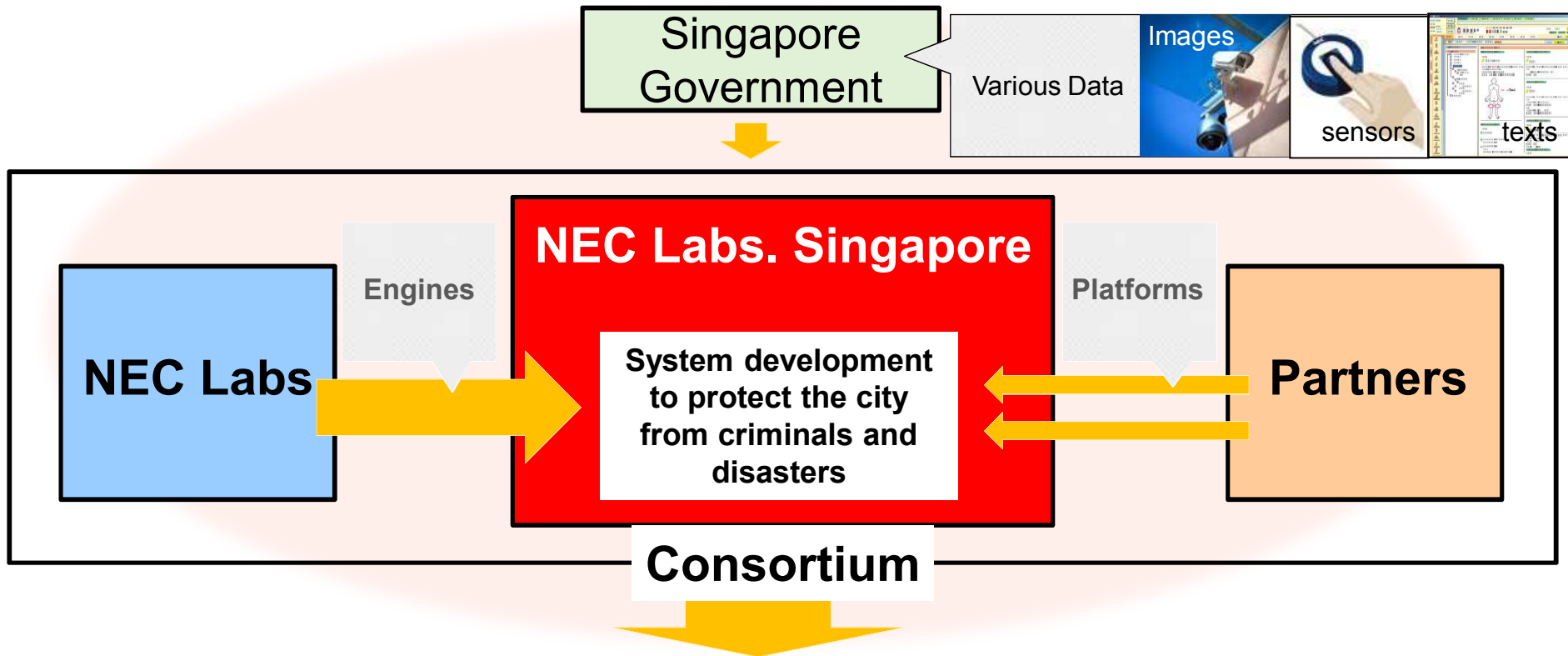
New R&D for social value innovation



Example: Trial in Singapore, “Singapore Safe City Test Bed”

- 1 Further fast-tracking of creation of No. 1 (Only) technologies
- 2 Value creation with customers
- 3 Strengthening of global R&D

Leading a Safe City Test Bed Consortium to maintain safety and security in Singapore



Providing optimal operational services for the city through solutions based on advanced technology

Creation of Opportunities for Collaboration Towards Global Business Expansion: Smart Water Management

- 1 Further fast-tracking of creation of No. 1/Only 1 technologies
- 2 Value creation with customers
- 3 Strengthening of global R&D


Collaborate with overseas customers and research institutions to resolve global social problems

Create future solutions (water management) from immediate problems (water leak detection) through collaboration with water supply companies

Joint research with Imperial College London on leak detection

Loss from leakage due to aging water pipes is a major social problem in advanced cities in Europe and America (London: 27%)

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Water pipe deterioration diagnosis using vibration sensing technology 

Imperial College London ✕

Water quality monitoring solution, water pressure sensors, etc.

Joint field trials for Water Management Solutions that include UK Water Companies

Water Companies

Data on degree of deterioration of pipes, water pressure, usage volume, and other data on the water pipe network

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Water demand forecasting solution using heterogeneous mixture learning technology

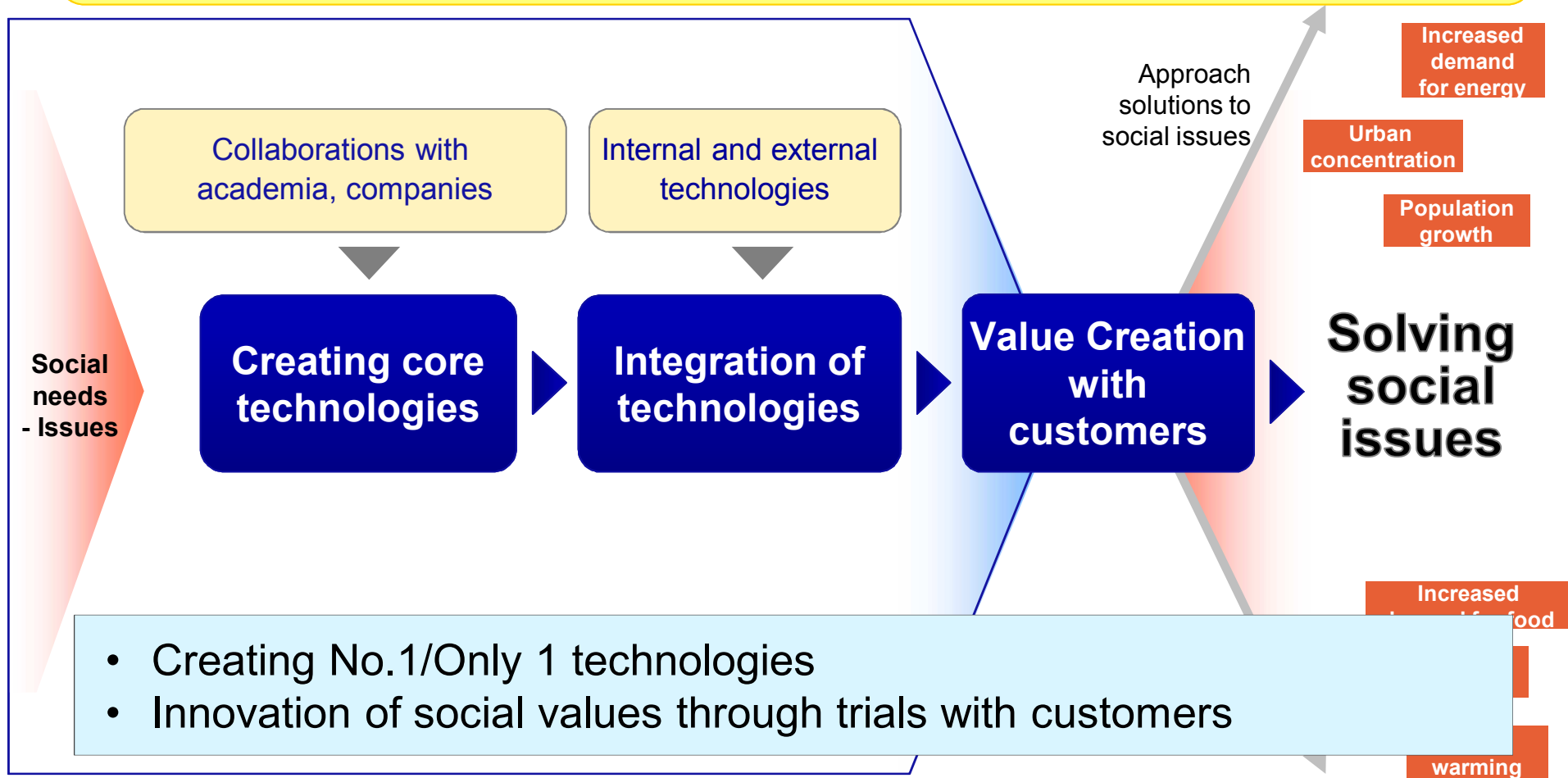
Imperial College London ✕

Water pressure remote control, modeling, and other water network control technologies

Management of entire water networks

Summary

NEC Laboratories collaborate with customers for new value creation
“Value Co-Creation Research Laboratories”



- Creating No.1/Only 1 technologies
- Innovation of social values through trials with customers

Empowered by Innovation

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