



**May 14, 2020 - Smart Cities and the role of Disruptive Technologies in the time of COVID-19**

**A VIRTUAL MEETING -- Jointly held with the AI Task Force of Pepperdine Graziadio Business School**

**Date:** Thursday, May 7, 2020

**Time:** 6:30PM to 8:30PM Presentation

**Speakers:** Speakers Five distinguished Panelists

**Place:** Virtual meeting via ZOOM

**Cost:** FREE for all with Advance Registration

**Registration in advance on Zoom is required.**

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IMPACT: Smart Cities and the role of Emerging Disruptive Technologies in the time of COVID19

Our Distinguished Panelists include:

**Vandana (Ana) Mangal, PhD.** Innovation Advisor, Pepperdine Graziadio Business School

**Gary Carter, MBA** - Community Broadband Manager, City of Santa Monica

**Donald Kewley, MBA** -- Chief Innovation Officer, City of Palm Coast

**Erik Krogh, PhD** - Practitioner Lecturer of Information Systems Technology Management, Pepperdine Graziadio Business School

**Lakshmi Sharma, MBA** - Director Product Management, Networking Solutions. Google Cloud

Technology innovations are revolutionizing the public sector. Cities are digitalizing using various emerging technologies to offer services to their communities. The use of these technologies becomes especially critical during times of a crisis such as COVID19. Partnerships with private corporations in various sectors including technology solutions providers, telecommunications, transportation, supply chain logistics, utilities and retail & e-commerce are enabling cities to deliver information and services to their communities.

Some of the technologies such as broadband, surveillance cameras, social media, apps and trends reporting are currently being used by smart cities. Many global smart cities are beginning to also employ emerging technologies such as IoT, bots, facial recognition, artificial intelligence, drones and 5G networks especially in the times of crisis.

This event aims to bring together experts from academia and industry - cities and private corporations, to learn and discuss what role emerging disruptive technologies are playing in helping cities ensure that their communities are informed, serviced and safe. This discussion would also encompass the role that private organizations are playing especially as technology solutions providers to make this happen during COVID19.

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