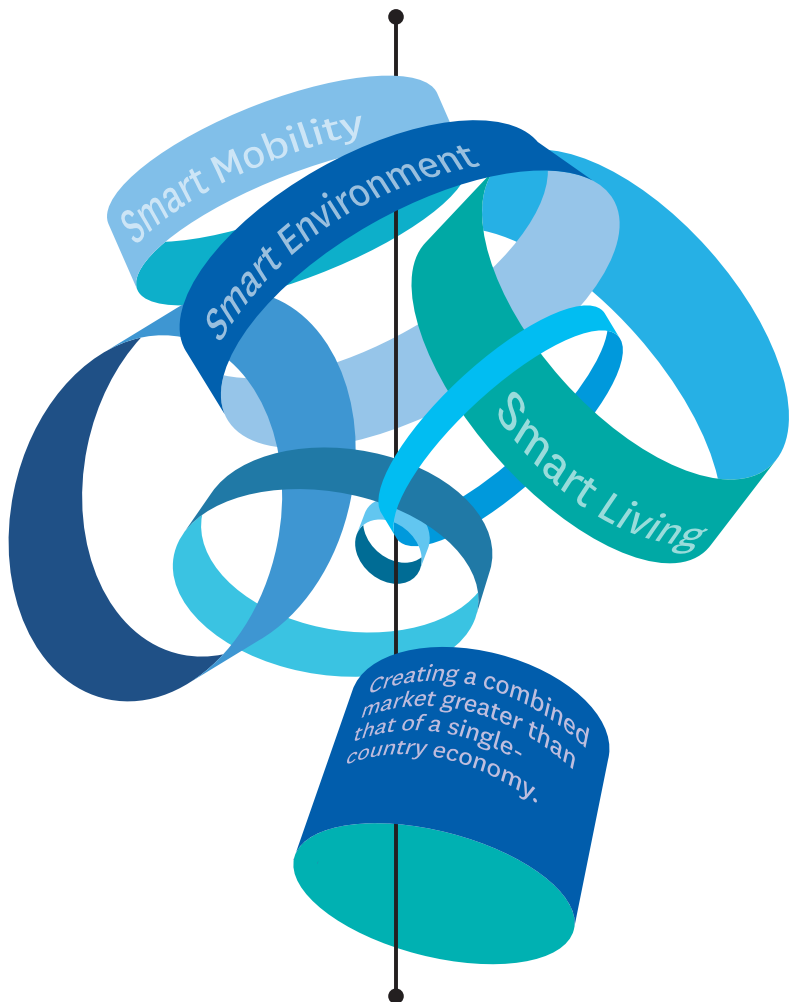


# Smart Twin City: Cities without borders



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**The FINEST Twins Smart City Center of Excellence (CoE) will be the first EU cross-border Smart City research excellence and demo lab.**

The smart city concept is based on the idea that ICT technologies improve the functioning of cities by enhancing efficiency, quality of life and improving competitiveness.

The CoE will contribute to the emergence of European Digital Single Market in the urban context. Clearly, frequently commuting citizens and travellers of the EU prefer cross-border smart city services.

The focus areas are Smart Environment, Smart Mobility and Smart Living. The results will be scientific, innovation and business related co-operation between Helsinki region and Estonia in the Smart City thematics, promoting efficient exchange of knowledge, building a joint research portfolio, support faster cross-border testing and take-up of Smart City innovations.

We want to make city governance **smarter**, more **effective** and **sustainable**, while providing citizens **cross-border** services.

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