

# Technology, Innovation and Social Responsibility

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# Outline

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- **The European Physical Society Perspective**
  - **EPS Roles, Policies & Activities**
  - **the Culture of Scientific Research**
  
- **The IBM Perspective**
  - **The Cognitive Era**
  - **The Internet of Things**
  - **The Future will be worn**

# EPS founded in 1968 in Geneva



*“... as a further demonstration of the determination of scientists to collaborate as close as possible in order to make their positive contribution to the strength of European cultural unity”*

Gilberto Bernardini

**.....but also Science for Peace!**



**Initial signatories: 62 individual members, 20 national societies**

# EPS 2015



## Umbrella Organisation and Learned Society



- **42 Member Societies**  
*representing over*  
**130'000 physicists in EU**
- **> 3500 Individual Members**
- **> 40 Associate Members**  
**(CERN, DESY, IOPP, ESA**  
**PSI, IBM, ...)**
- **22 Collaborating Societies**
- **Headquarter: Mulhouse (F)**

# Key roles of EPS

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- **Enhance cooperation with National Societies & Collaborating Societies**
- **Define priorities in areas of common interest such as funding of fundamental research, science & innovation programs, education and equal opportunity, outreach and promotion of talented students, physics students networks, links between industry and academia, large scale infrastructures, physics for development and north-south cooperation, etc..**
- **Decide on strategic initiatives and get involved in EU policies (research, energy, environment, health, ethics, etc.) and better represent physicists in Brussels (local office opened)**

# EPS Policies



- Through its broad membership base EPS represents the views of the physics community in Europe.
- **EPS provides information to policy makers and general public to understand issues from the point of view of physics on**



- **Science and Research**
- **Education**
- **Energy and Environment**
- **Physics and Society**
- **Physics and Economy**
- **European cooperation**
- **International cooperation**



# Activities

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## Scientific excellence

- Conferences
- Publications
- Prizes, Grants

## Community Services

- Networks
- Representation
- Information
- Integration
- Equal opportunity

## Physics Education

- Specification for Bachelors, Masters and Doctoral Studies
- European Science Education Academy (ICTP, UNESCO, CEI, EPS)

## EU Projects

- Horizons on Physics Education (HOPE)
- Inspiring Science Education (INSPIRING)
- CREATIONS, MUSE, LIGHT2015



## ❑ Publication

- EPN (Europhysics News)
- EJP (European J. of Phys.)
- EPL (Europhysics Letters)
- e-EPS

## ❑ Outreach

- International Year of Light 2015
- Historic Sites (26 in 15 countries)  
(ex. CERN 600 MeV Synchrocyclotron)





# EPS Statements & reports

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**2012: On the Use of Bibliometric Indices in Assessment**

**2013: Opportunities in Horizon 2020**

**2013: Managing the Transition to Open Access**

**2013: Impact of Physics on EU Economy**

**2015: On the Importance of Funding Basic Natural Science**

**2015: European Energy Policy and Global Reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions**

**2015-16: Importance of Nuclear Science in the Preservation of Cultural Heritage**

# Physics and EU Economies



- EPS report 2013, over years 2007-2010, in 27 EU countries + CH & NO established by Center for Economics and Business Research (Cebr)
- **Physics-based industries** are defined as those sectors of the European economy where the use of physics – in terms of technologies and expertise – is critical to their existence



- Electrical, civil, & mechanical engineering
- Energy & environment
- Information technology & communications
- Design & manufacturing
- Transportation
- Medicine & related life-science fields
- Technologies used in space



[www.eps.org/physicsandconomy](http://www.eps.org/physicsandconomy)

# Debate on Research Culture

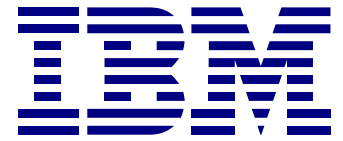
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As viewed by learned Societies like EPS

- The culture of scientific research must support and encourage ***high quality, rigorous, original, ethical and valuable*** science
- Research ***assessment by funding bodies*** and promotion panels affects what science is carried out and by whom
- ***Dissemination*** of science (outreach) and critical responses can influence how scientists work and behave
- Research scientists must ***take responsibility and encourage good practices***
- Scientific discoveries must ***benefit society*** on top of curiosity satisfaction and ***nurture technological applications and innovation***
- Regular assessments ***of societal and/or economical impact*** of research are needed

# IBM Perspectives



 Cloud    Analytics & Big Data    Mobile    Social    Security

= “CAMSS”

- The Cognitive Era
- The Internet of Things (IOT)/ of Everything (IOE)
- The Future will be worn

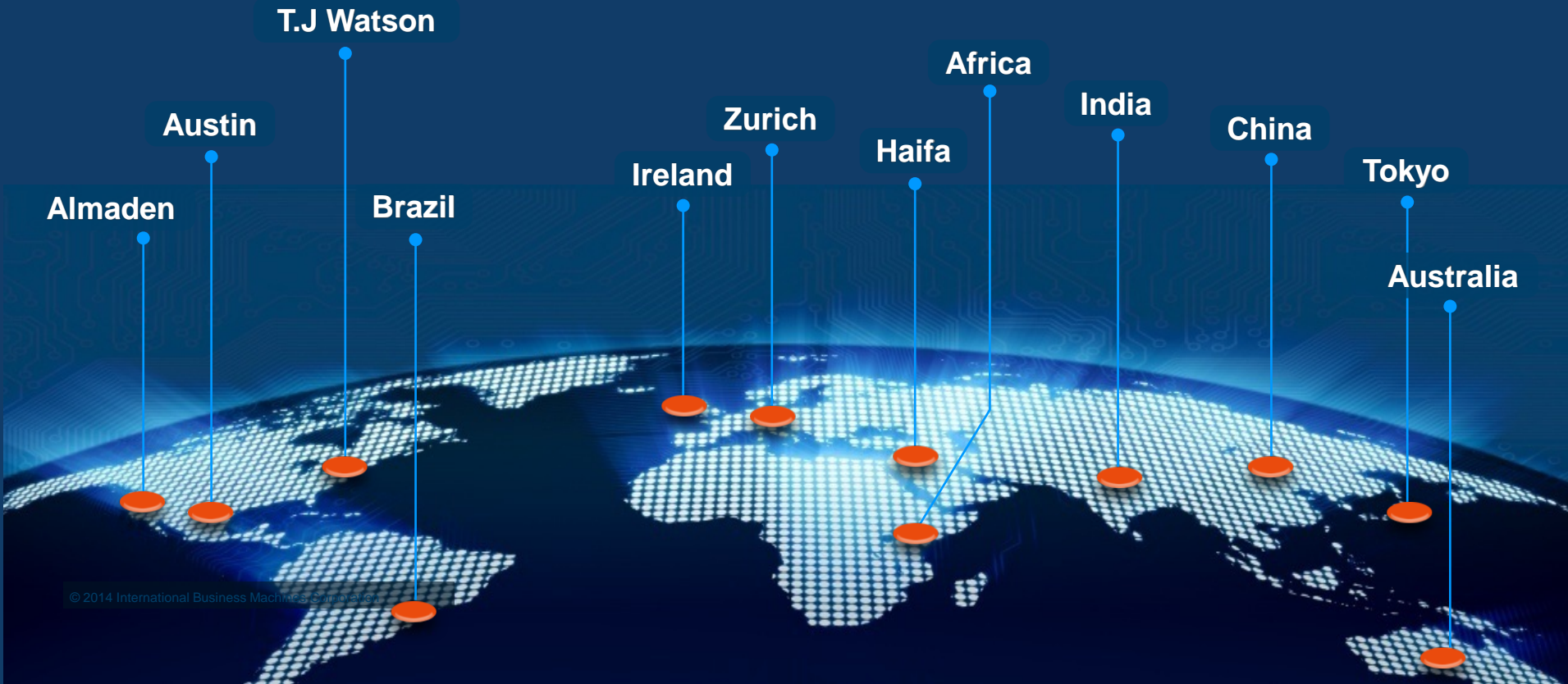


# IBM Research: *The World is Our Lab*

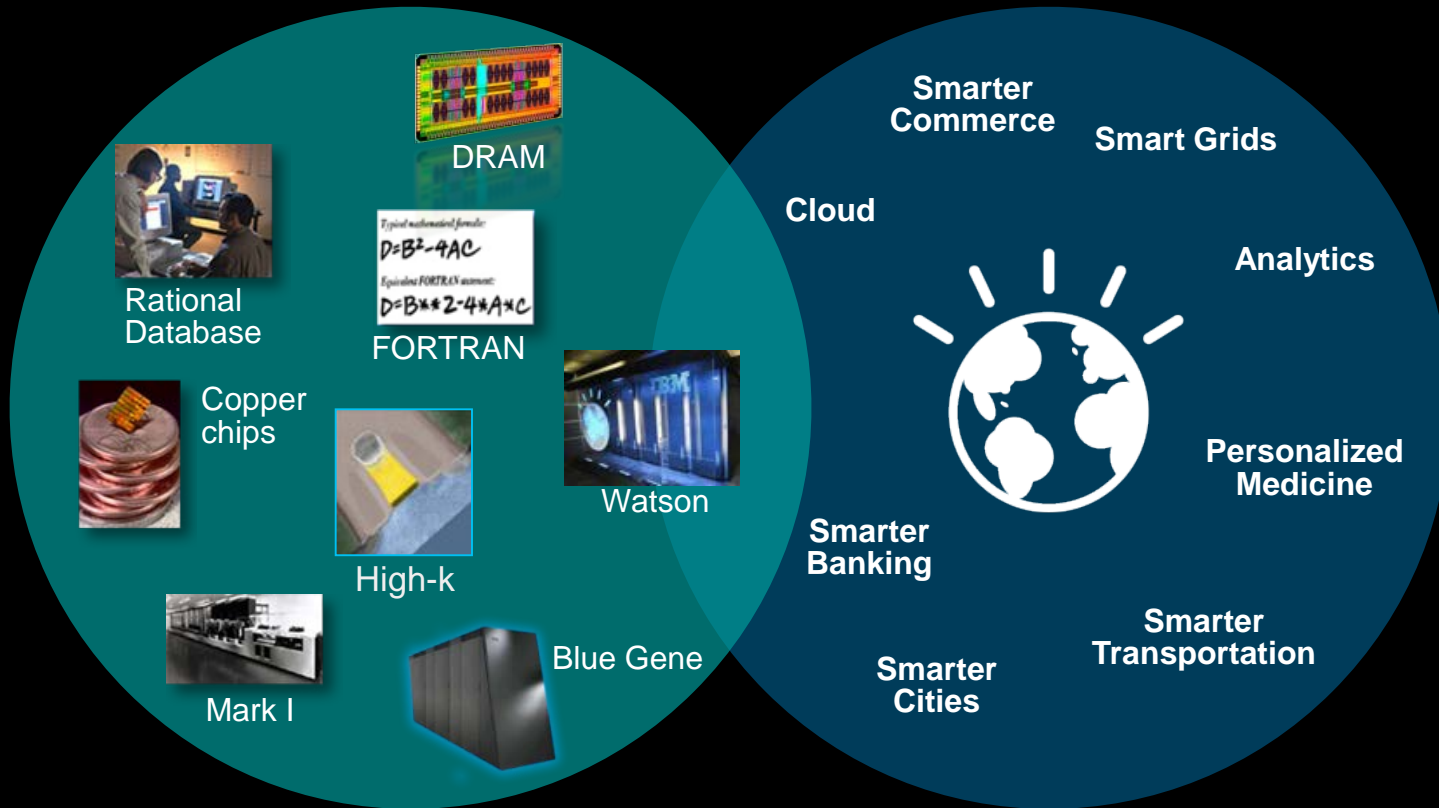
World's largest  
information technology  
research organization

More than 3,000  
scientists and  
engineers

IBM spent \$6.2B on  
R&D in 2013



# IBM Research: A Culture of Innovation



Five Nobel Laureates



Nine Medals of Technology

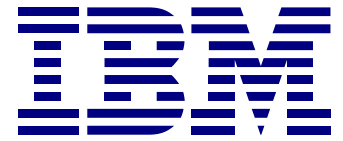


Five National Medals of Science



Six Turing Awards

# The Cognitive Era



*How humans and machines are forging a new age of understanding*

*Cognitive computing refers to systems that **understand**, **learn** at scale, **reason** with purpose, and **interact** with humans naturally*

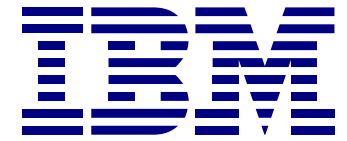
- **Tabulating Era** (mechanical systems) ,1900s -1940s
- **Programming Era** (digital computers), 1950s-present
- **Cognitive Era** (computing with augmented intelligence, 2010 - ), the most important transformation in computing's evolution  
...from deterministic to probabilistic systems



## **IBM Watson Analytics**

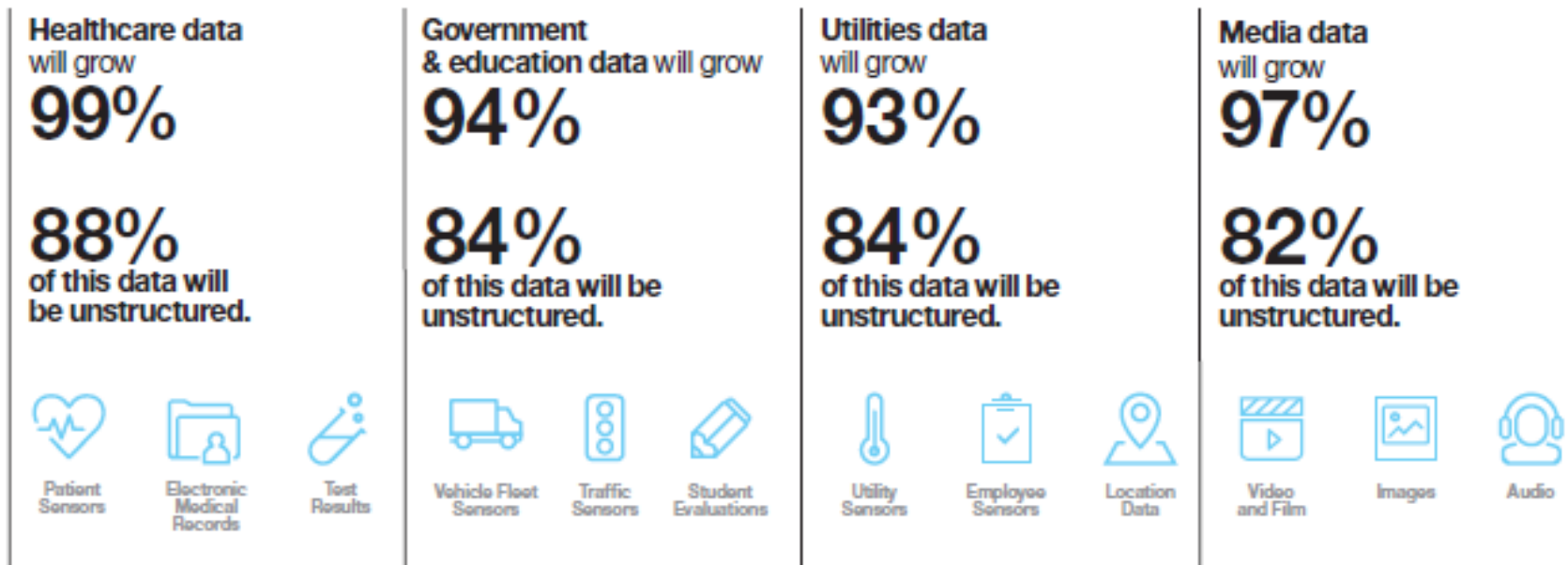
delivers cloud-based guided analytics, data visualization and predictive analytics that make understanding data easier for practically everyone

# The Cognitive Era



A new era in technology, a new era in business

Data is transforming industries and professions.

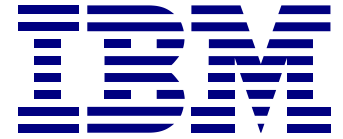


Source: IBM Watson business unit



# Internet of Things (IoT)

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## Instrumented – interconnected – intelligent

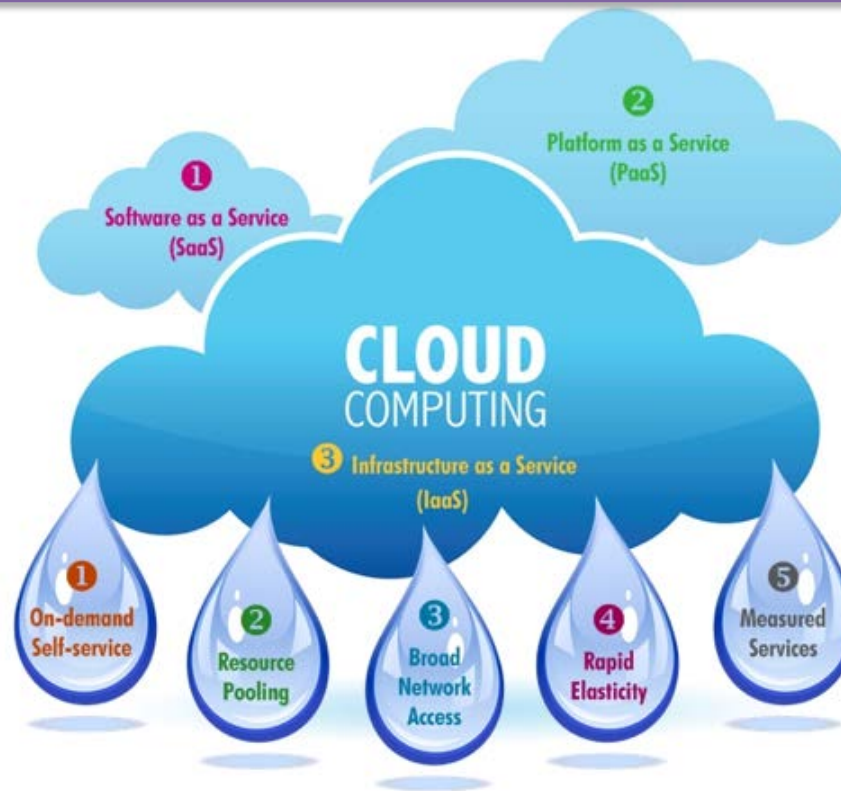
### *Huge market for semiconductors and IT companies*

- to reach \$22.9 billion by 2020, the wireless IoT sensor market alone will be worth \$12 billion by 2020



### *Paradigm shift coming in powering wearable devices*

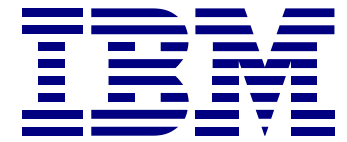
- Low-power design and proper energy management at the system level are a prerequisite
- IoT devices must integrate multiple blocks onto a single substrate (SoC) either with 2D or better 3D co-integration of functions
- Must be cost effective, rugged & durable, scalable to varying environments and communities



The Cloud and IoT (IoE) promise to deliver convenience like never before

→ COT or COE

# The Future will be... worn



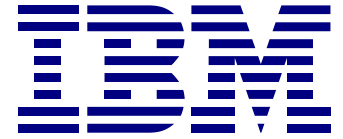
**Wearable technology is exploding** thanks to smaller and better interacting systems

- Global sales of wearables to hit \$30 billion by 2018.
- Today's market : ***Fitness & Wellness (+30% /y) , Healthcare & Medical, Infotainment, Industrial & Military***
- Many innovations to emerge to overcome technological inhibitors
- **Key inhibitors: *Power, Network Bandwidth, Pricing & Aesthetics, User Interaction, Accessibility (voice, visual interfaces), Security & Privacy***



# Conclusions

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- Thanks to the Cloud and IoT, the future IT technology will become more instrumented, interconnected and intelligent
- The market of wearable technology will explode
- New cognitive computing tools will be needed to treat the ocean of unstructured data

**But.....**

**What impact will this have on our life,  
on the development of a fair and peaceful society  
respectful of its environment and of the planet resources ?**

**Thank you !**

# Key technologies for industries

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## 1. *Information and communication technologies (ICT)*

- **cloud computing, Internet of Things, big data analytics** will enable people, objects, services and systems to interact seamlessly
- increasing **urbanisation** and **intelligent energy management**
- transition to **networked, intelligent systems**, requiring increased monitoring of **critical infrastructures** for protection against cyber attacks
- **Digital manufacturing (industry 4.0)** will complete penetration of industry, products and services with software, and interconnection of all devices
- transformation from curative to **preventive, participatory medicine**, as **real-time monitoring, long-term data acquisition**

## 2. *Additive manufacturing (“3D printing”)*

- development of new materials by new processing technologies
- **smart materials** used as sensors; **biomaterials**, with biological function without damaging their environment; and **nanoparticles**, with very different characteristics to macroscopic bodies of the same material.

# Key technologies for industries

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## 3. *Advanced sensors and actuators*

- for monitoring and controlling future electricity and transport networks
- for user-friendly, low-impact and self-powered sensor systems for constant monitoring of patients in medical technology
- for the development of neural and sensory implants.

## 4. *Robotics*

- **mechanically flexible machines** to be used in assembly in replacement of conventional rigid robot
- **simple robot systems** as consumer goods for personalized assistance to people with disabilities or reduced autonomy, in physiotherapy
- **micro-robots** in replacement of today's surgical robots