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## RFID/IoT for Warehouse and Inventory Management

### RFID/IoT in Warehouse & Inventory Management Basics

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# Your Presenter

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- Judge @RFID Journal Award



# Today's Program

- **10:45 AM - 11:30 AM: RFID/IoT in Warehouse & Inventory Management Basics**
- 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM : Linking RFID to Inventory-Management Best Practices
- 12:15 -13h00 PM : Lunch time
- 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM: Targeting the Correct RFID Technology for the Right Project
- 1:45 PM - 2:30 PM : Key Steps in Building an Inventory-Management RFID Solution:  
Build Your Own RFID Portal
- 2:30 -2h45 PM : Break time
- 2:45 PM - 3:30 PM: Designing Your RFID Solution
- 3:30 PM - 4:15 PM: Building Your RFID Business Case

# Objective of the presentation

- **Position RFID technologies within the IoT portfolio**
- Position RFID within your IS infrastructure
- Understand what the options on the market are and how they compete with or complement other IoT technologies



# What is IoT

1. A buzzword
2. A global network of connected objects
3. A technology
4. A concept
5. A new type of communication network
6. Another way of talking about AI
7. Not important

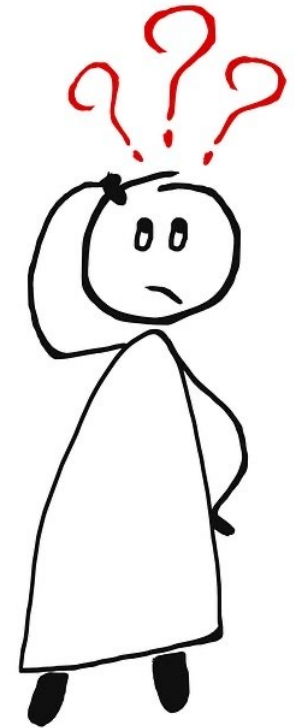


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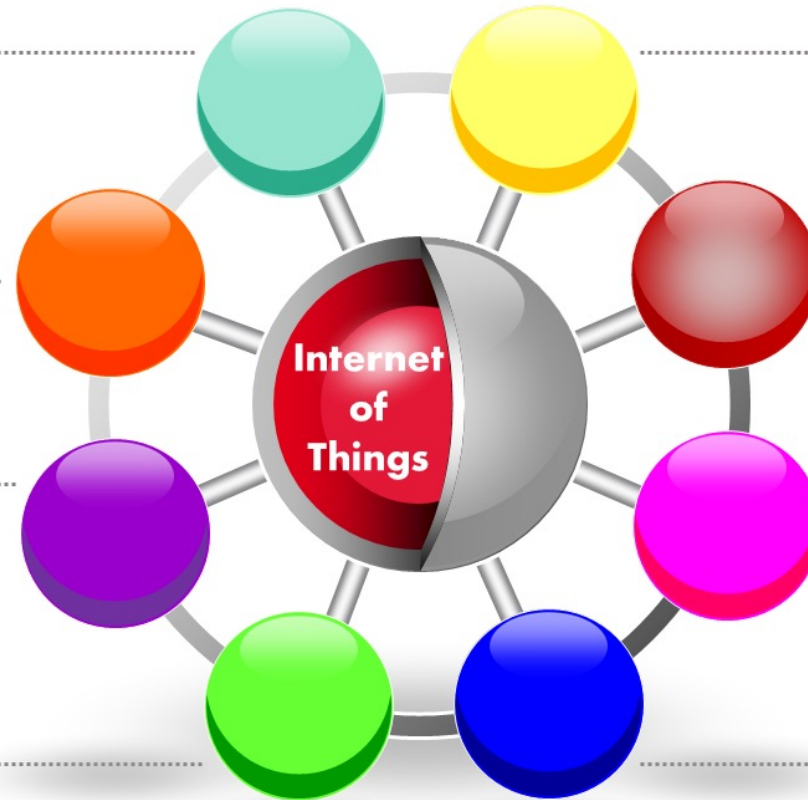
# The Vision – back to early 2010+

*A dynamic global network infrastructure*

*with self configuring capabilities*

*based on standard and interoperable communication protocols*

*where physical and virtual “things”*



*have identities, physical attributes, and virtual personalities*

*use intelligent interfaces,*

*and are seamlessly integrated*

*into the information network.*

[http://www.internet-of-things-research.eu/about\\_iot.htm](http://www.internet-of-things-research.eu/about_iot.htm)



# Today

## Opening **new business models**

### The Internet of Things

**IT Ecosystem** in which each **unique** objects (living or not) is equipped with **a device** enabling it to **communicate & connect automatically** in **real time** with its environment (physical & virtual) and to manage its owns **transactions**



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# How IoT Helps Providing **Visibility**

- **Capture** data (events)
- **Translate** data into information's
- **Access** this information, accurate, precise, updated
- **Analyze** this information (actual and predictive)
- Take **event-based decisions** based on this information (*actionnable insights*)
- **Improve** supply chain business process **performance**





# The main Idea



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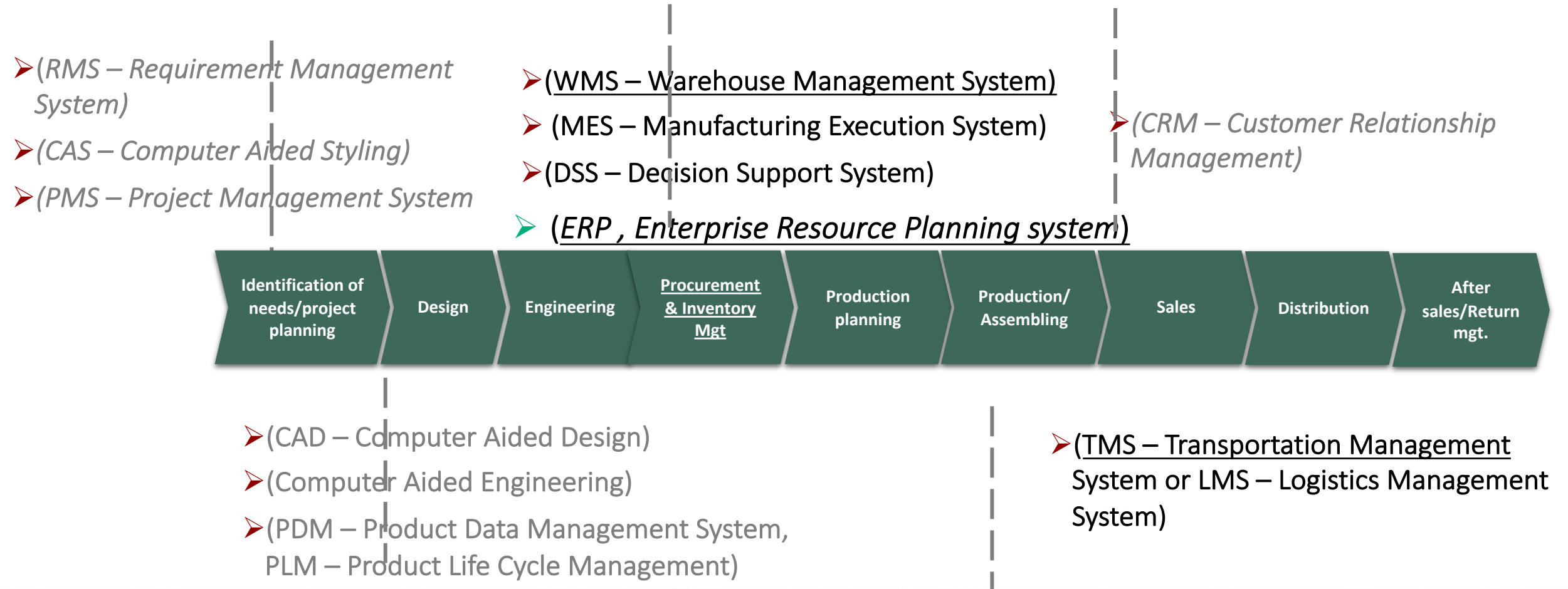
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# IS in the value Chain

The foundation on which IoT will deliver its potential

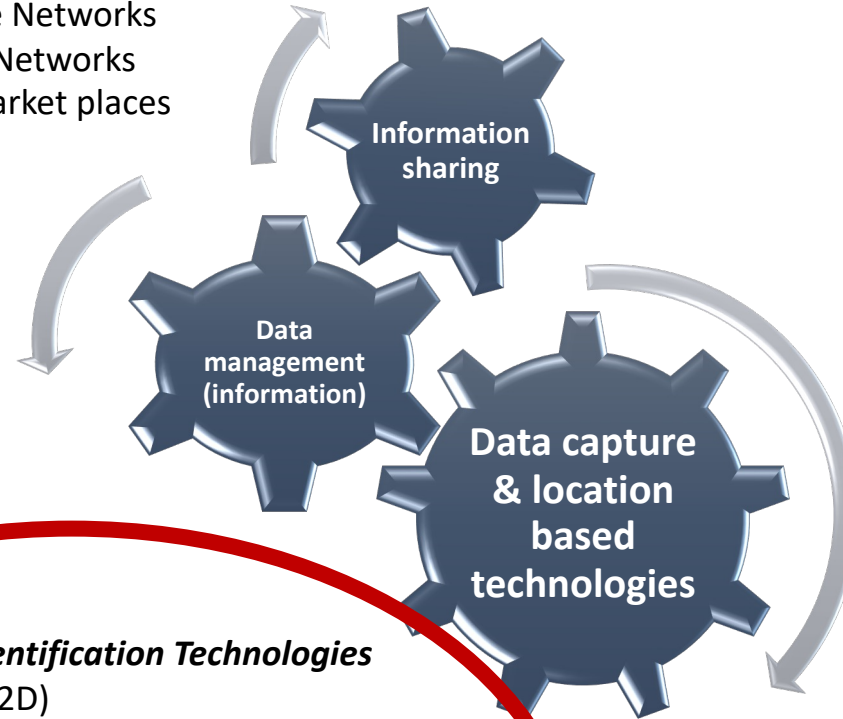


### ***IOS – Inter organisational systems***

- EDI- Electronic Data Interchange
- VPN-Virtual Private Networks
- VAN-Value-Added Networks
- eMP- Electronic Market places
- Etc.

### ***EIS – Enterprise Information systems***

- WMS- Warehouse management Systems
- ERP- Enterprise Resource planning Systems
- TMS- Transportation Management Systems
- SCM- Supply Chain Management Solutions
- TOS-Terminal Operating Systems
- Etc.



### ***AIT- Automated Identification Technologies***

- Bar code (linear, 2D)
- **RFID - Radio Frequency Identification**
- OCR - Optical Character Recognition
- Etc.

### ***Location Based Technologies***

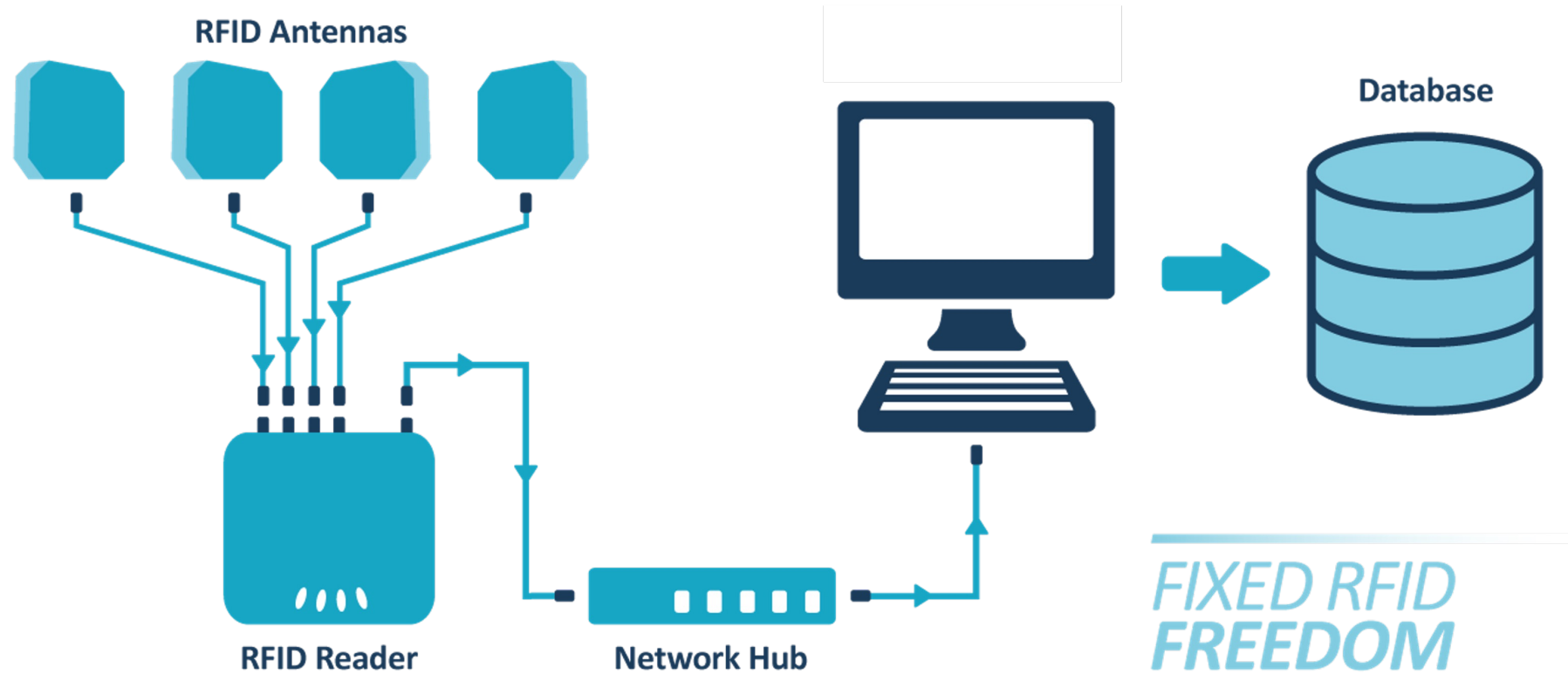
- Active RFID technologies (RFID, UWB, BLE, etc)
- GPS- Global Positioning System
- LBS- Location based system (cellular network)

Source: Cassivi et Bendavid (2014), A study on emerging technological practices in logistics and transportation: a Canadian perspective, Strategic Policy and Innovation Directorate, Transport Canada



# RFID Infrastructure

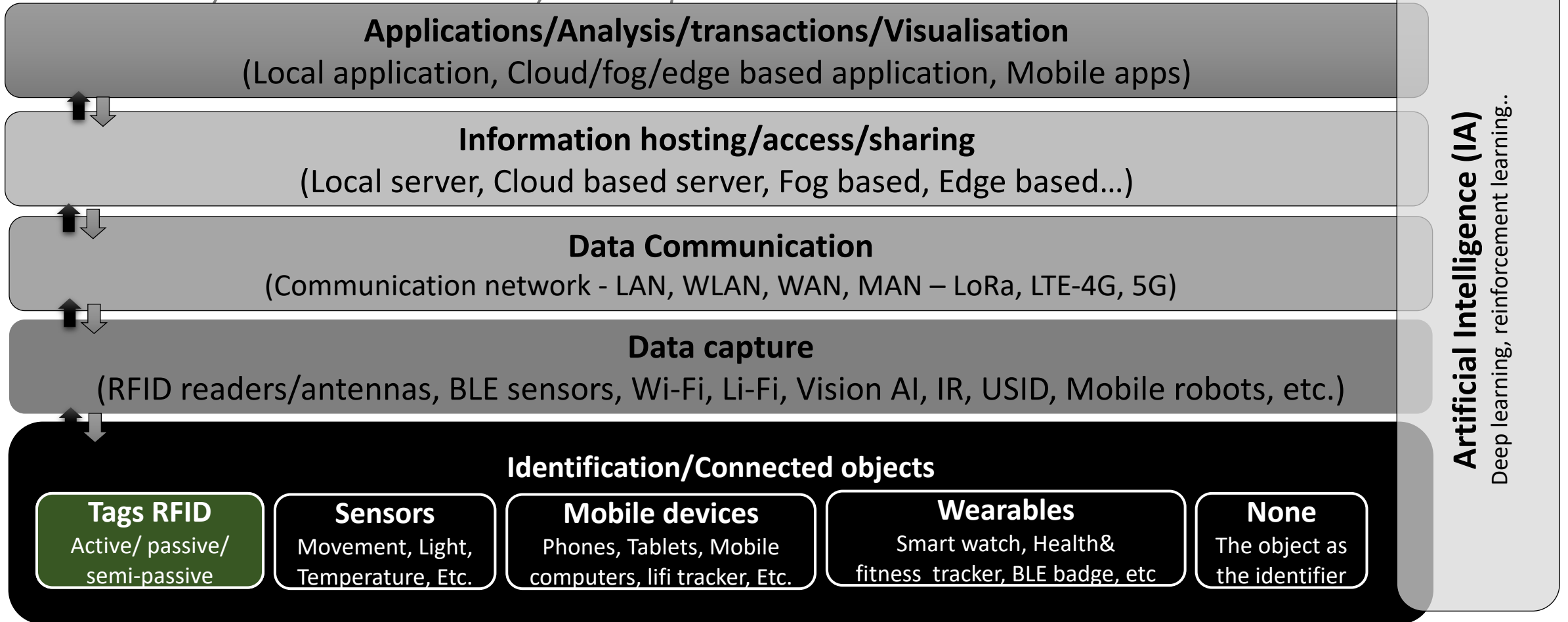
*A very simple architecture of the data capture layer*



<https://www.clearstreamrfid.com/software/rfid/>

# IoT Infrastructure

*Multi technos/multi standards/multi protocoles*



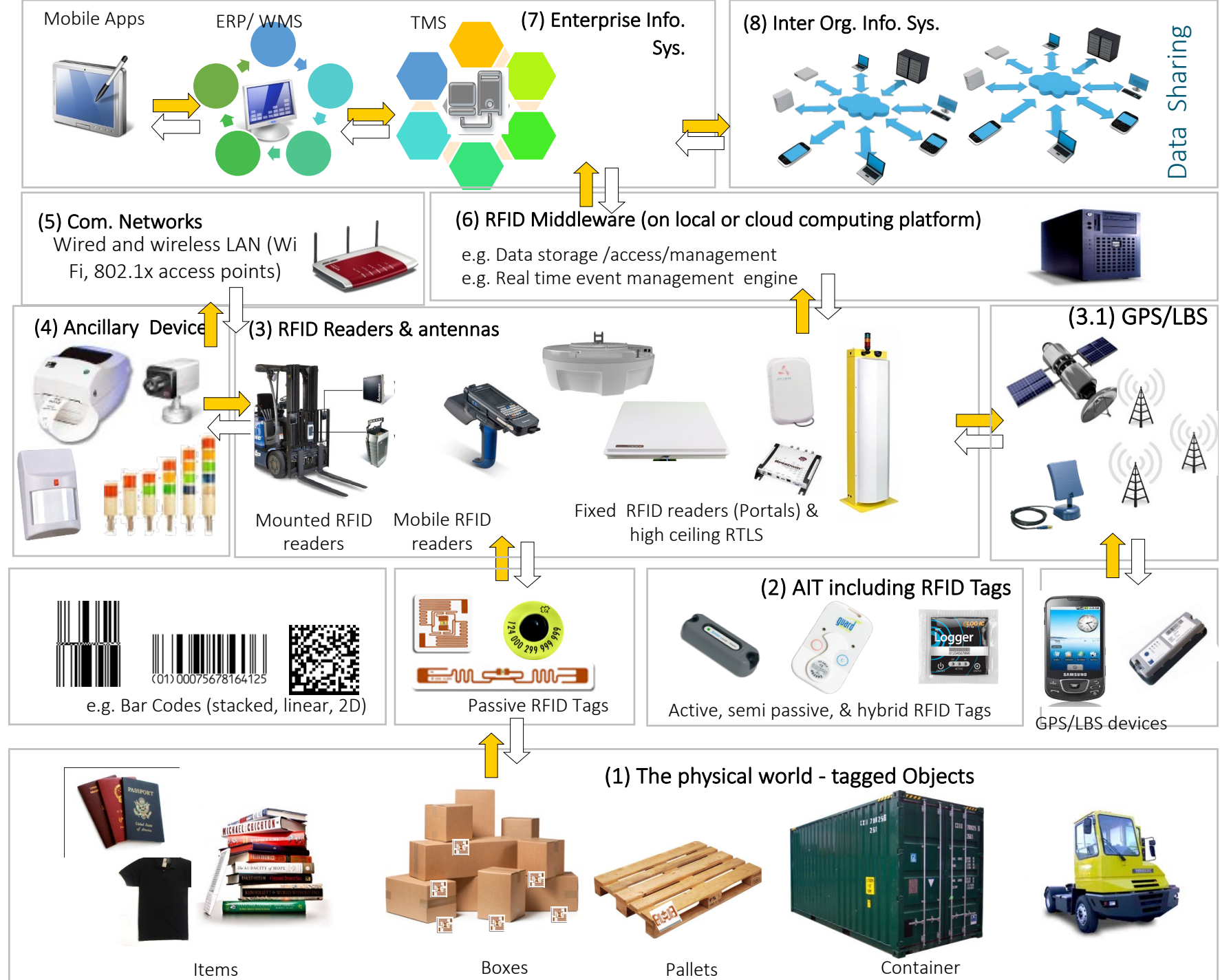
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# Multi layer architecture

Data identification & Capture

Data management

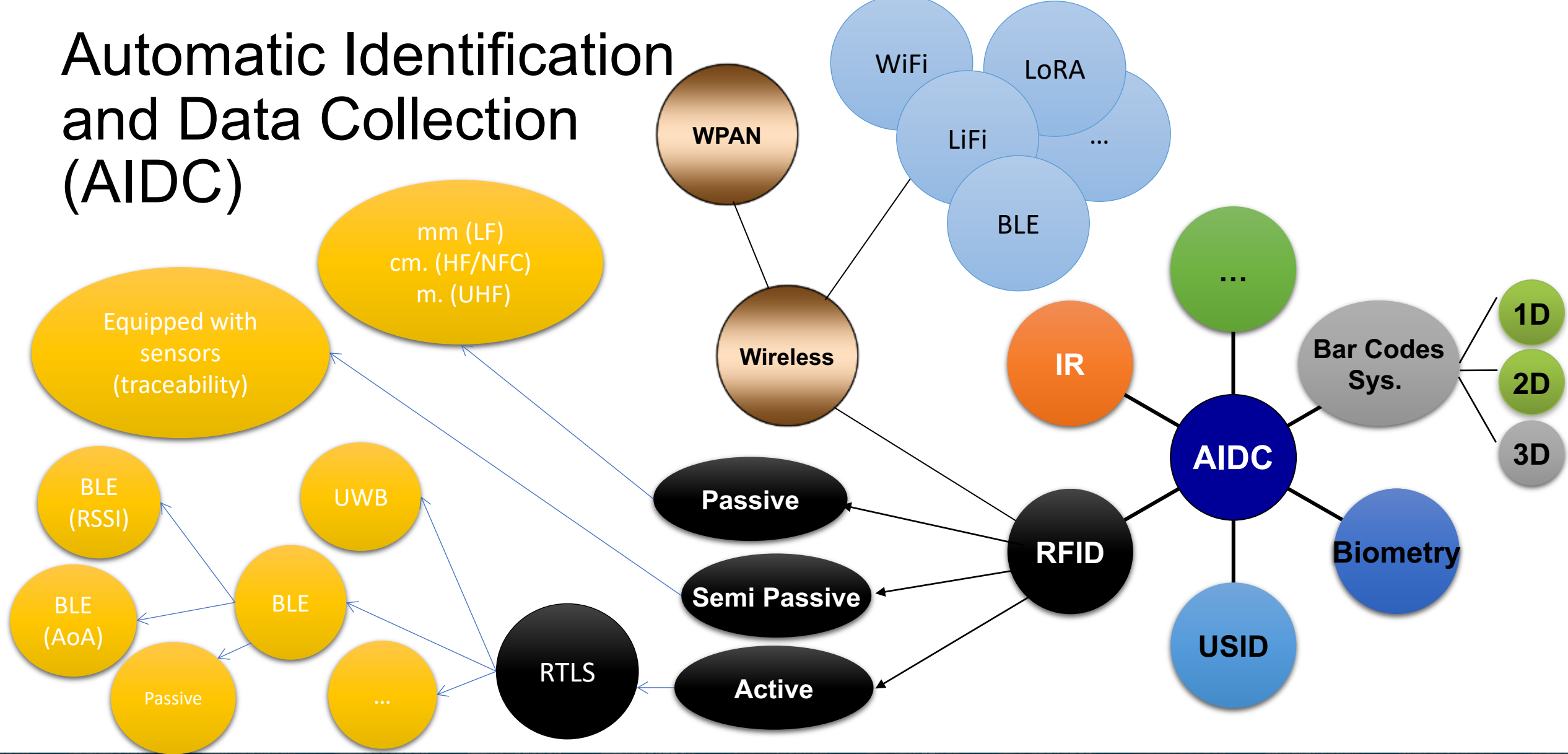


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# Automatic Identification and Data Collection (AIDC)



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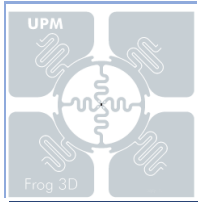
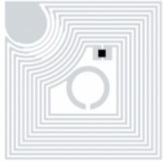
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# Layer 1

The identification (the case for RFID)



**Passive RFID**

- No battery
- LF: mm - identification
- HF: cm – NFC/Access control /payments/ EAS
- UHF: m - Logistics processes (UHF)



**Semi Passive**

- Battery-assisted passive tags (BAP) data loggers
- E.g., traceability - Cold chain management/supply chain integrity



**Active tags**

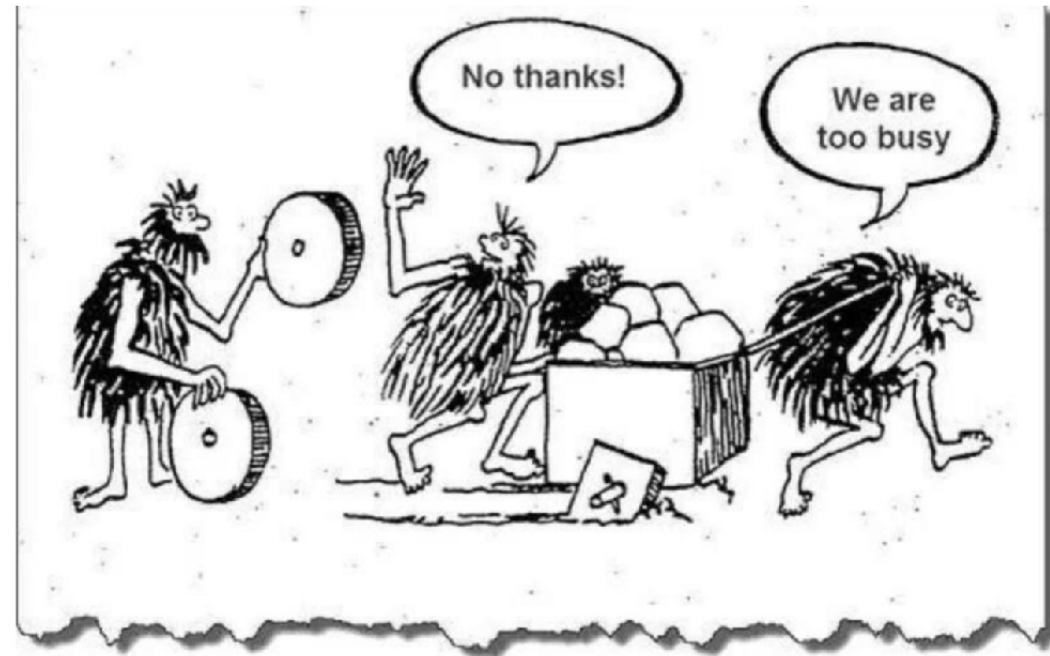
- Battery
- Active Transponder
- Beacon
- E.g., mobile-critical Asset management, people tracking, equipment tracking, etc.



# Ready for IoT



"We have things. We have the internet. That's a start."





# THANK YOU

