

Smart Pedestrian Net

Smart cities are walkable: SPN - a model to plan a pedestrian network and a pedestrian navigation system

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Projektbeschreibung

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