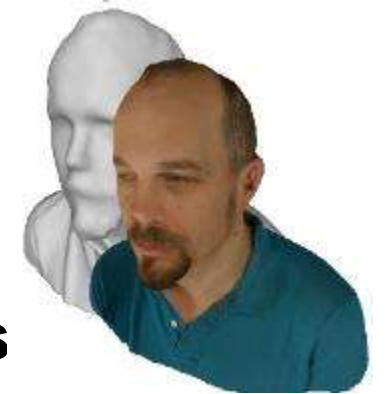




# Enterprise Integration and Interoperability improving Business Analytics Processes

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FROM **RESEARCH**  
TO **PRODUCTION**



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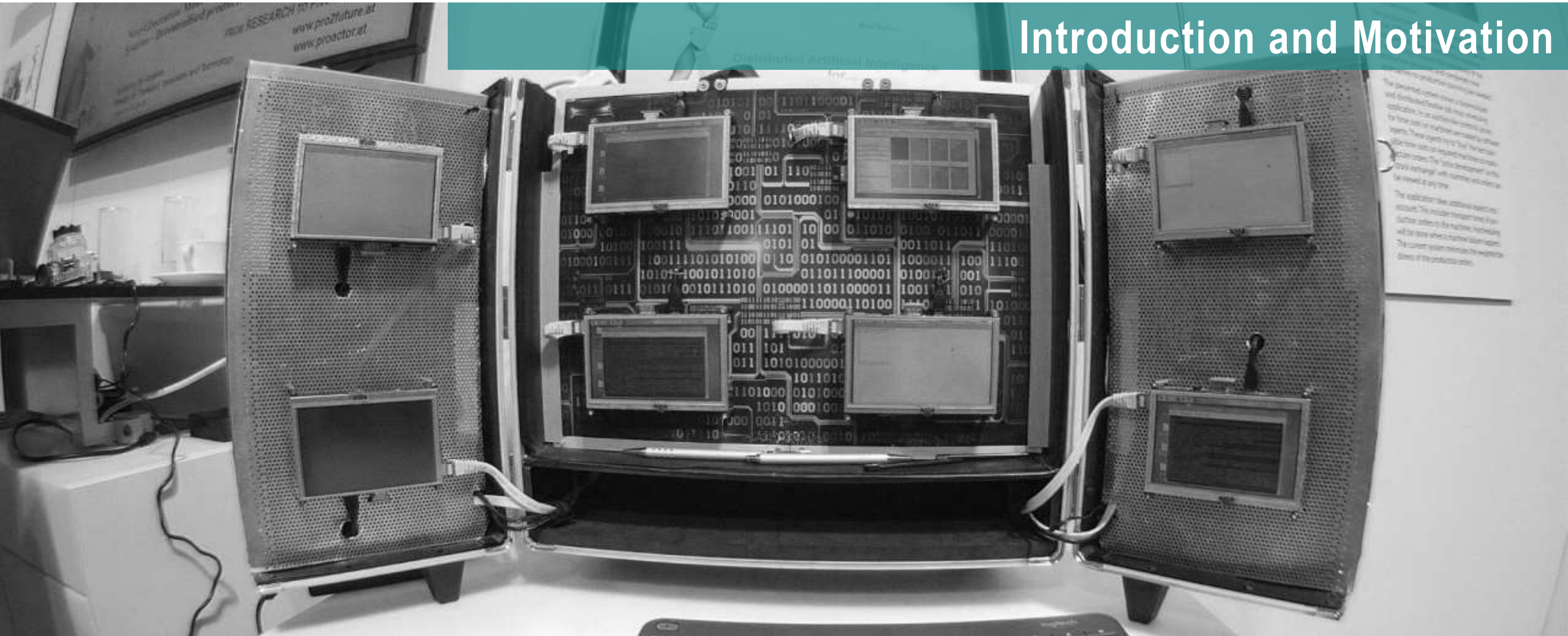
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**BA & EI2 Research Grounded in Business Informatics (de: Wirtschaftsinformatik):**

**IT support for users to execute their tasks in organizations better:**

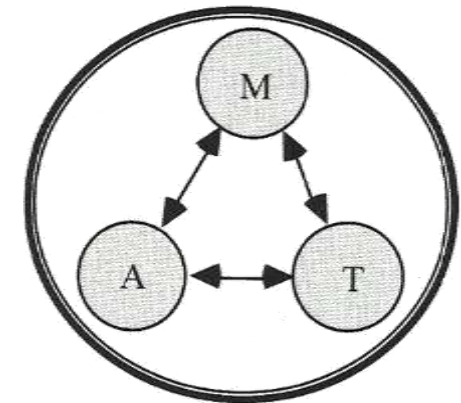
- better decisions
- more efficient
- more effective
- more flexible

**BA projects are currently ineffective:**

- 80% of time goes into data preparation

**Significant barrier in analytics:**

- high data storage and manipulation costs
- data complexity
- data access issues



- M [Mensch] ... Human / Worker
- A [Aufgabe] ... Task
- T [Technik] ... (Information and Communication) Technology

# Business Analytics (BA)



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**Processes and tools that allows to discover valuable information and knowledge (actionable insights) in the enterprise IT systems**

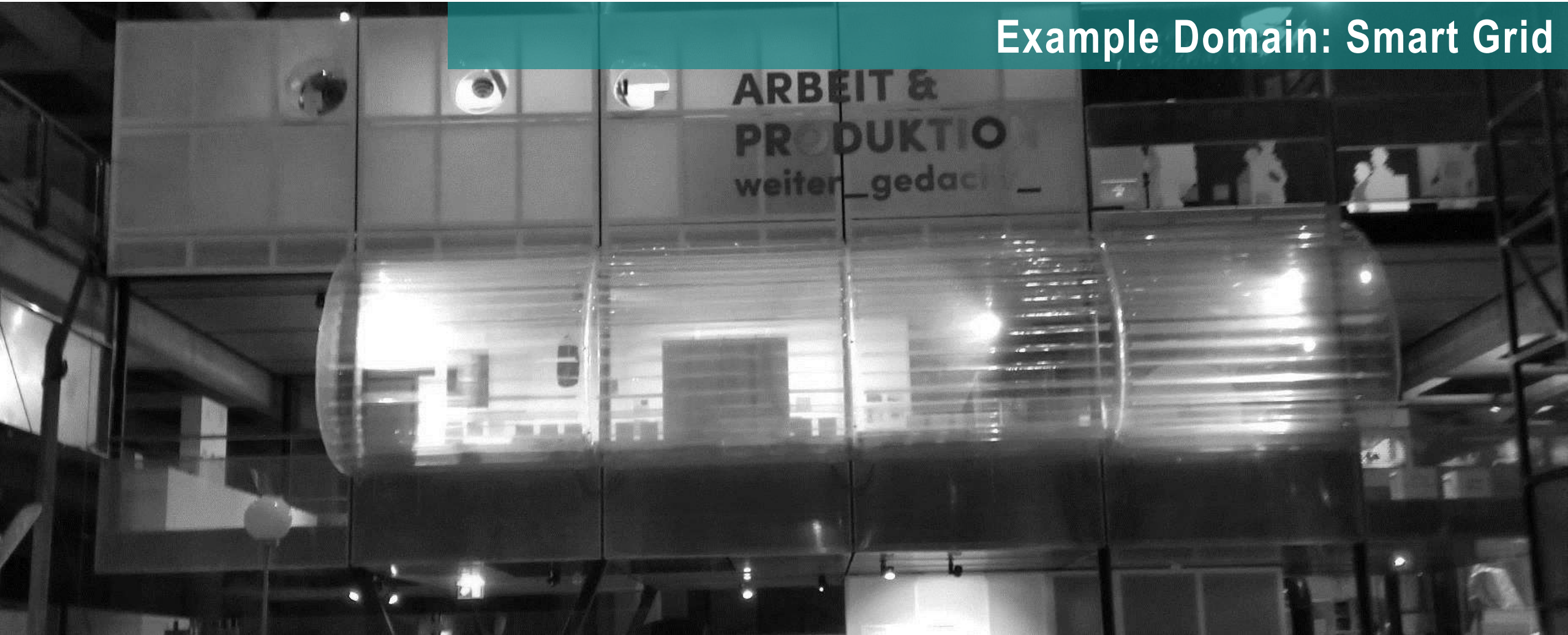
- Operations Research (OR)
- Machine Learning (ML)
- Decision Making
- Big Data
- Business Intelligence

## **Three types of BA approaches**

- (a) descriptive analytics -> make a situation transparent
- (b) predictive analytics -> allow a decision maker to forecast a situation (typically using statistical methods)
- (c) prescriptive analytics -> analyze multiple courses of action (operations research and quantitative models)



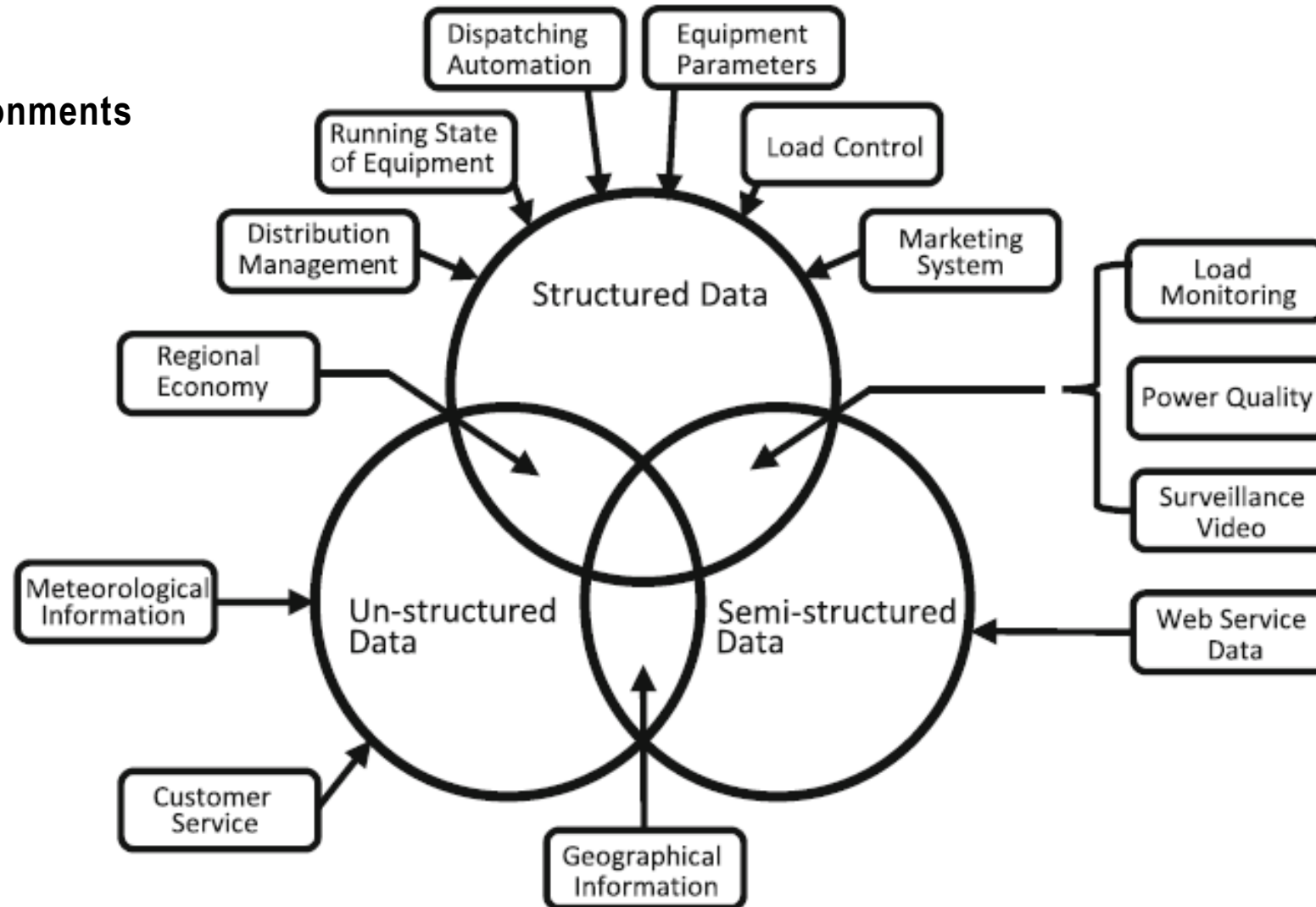
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## Data Sources in Smart Grid Environments



(Zhang et al., 2018).

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## Descriptive Analytics

- Asset health monitoring
- Fault detection
- Power quality monitoring
- Detection of energy loss
- Visualization of outage management
- Load disaggregation for reducing energy footprint

## Predictive Analytics

- Electric device state estimation / health monitoring
- Predictive maintenance
- Condition based maintenance
- Renewable energy forecasting
- Load forecasting and profiling

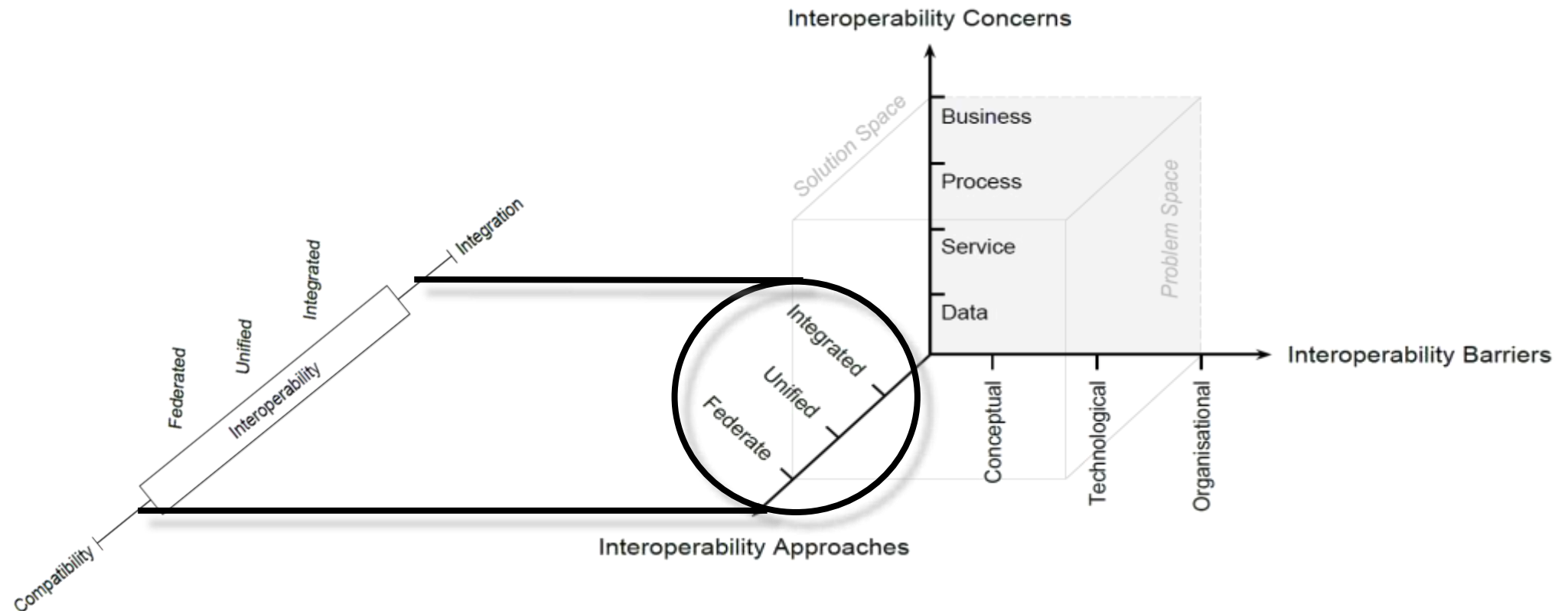
## Prescriptive Analytics

- Integrated resource allocation
- Transient stability analysis (resilience analysis)
- Dynamic energy management
- Balance the (predicted) load with energy producers and consumers

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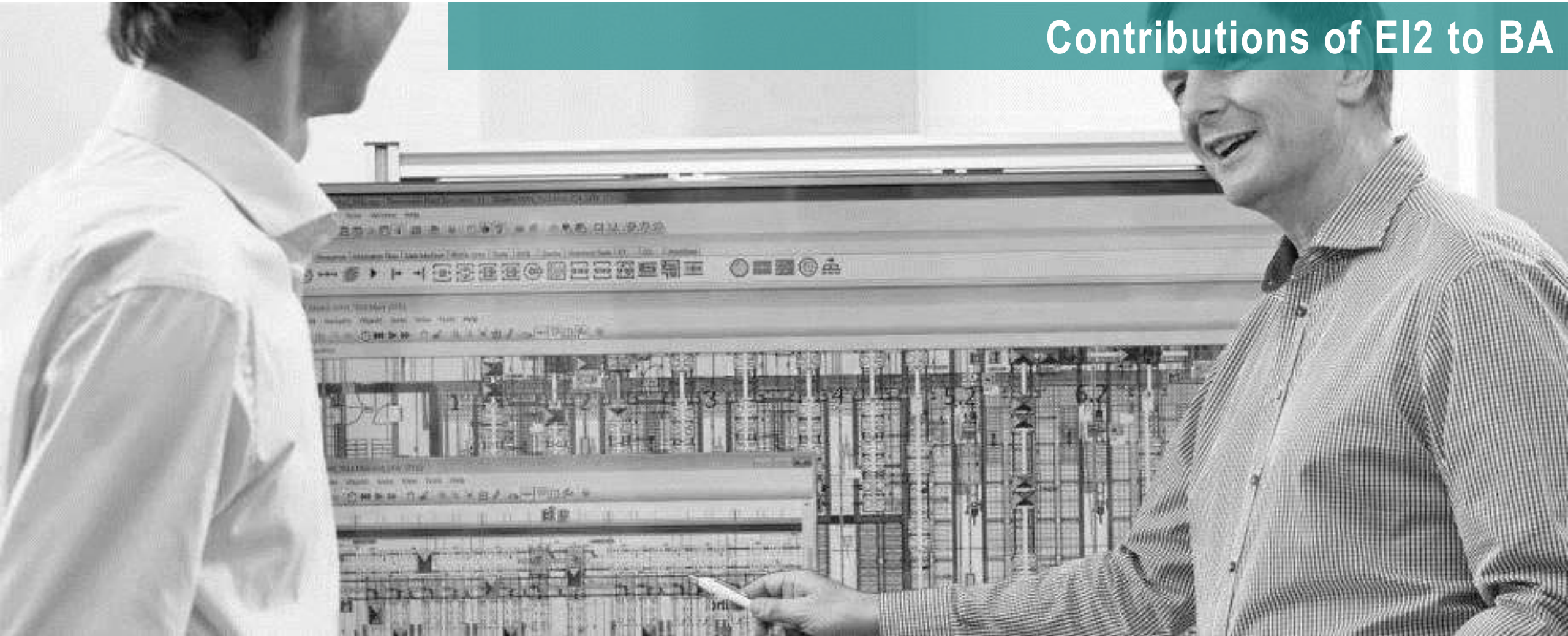


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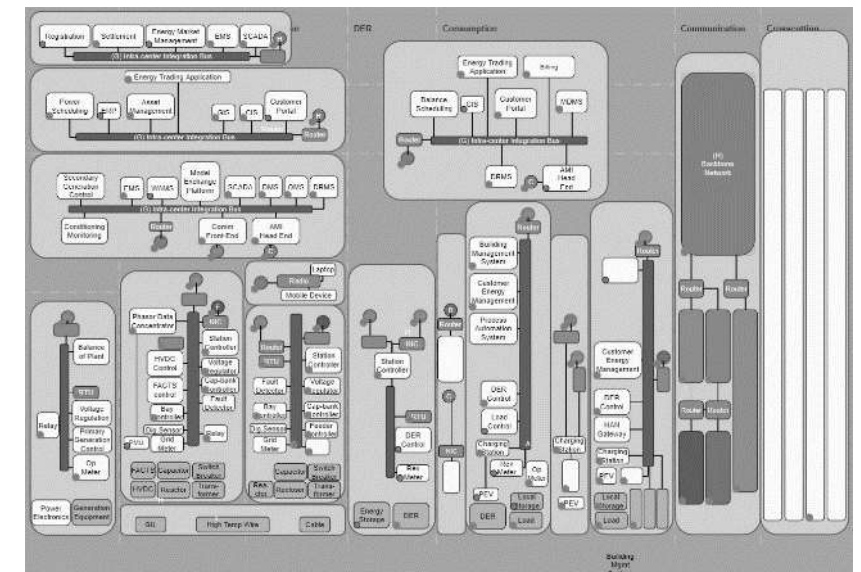
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## Descriptive Analytics

- automated Extraction-Transformation-Load (ETL); like in Business Intelligence
  - requires technical interoperability
  - static solutions for system-of-system, involving different data sources
- Graphical Approaches
  - Apache Nifi <https://nifi.apache.org/> for modelling data flows
- Smart Grid
  - Many standards <http://smartgridstandardsmap.com/>



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## Predictive Analytics

- statistically seen, no significant number of approaches ;-)

# Contributions of EI2 to BA

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## Prescriptive Analytics

- S<sup>3</sup>-Enterprise (Sensing, Smart and Sustainable) & Enterprise Operating System
  - Basis for smart decision making
  - Decentralized (& agent-based) approaches
- Modelling behavior of agents
  - OoEICAS Domain Specific Language (DSL)



# Conclusions



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**A new project found at the UniSA (South Australia) – after final paper**

## **Interoperable Analytics**

- Future Energy Exports Cooperative Research Centre
- liquefied natural gas & hydrogen industry
- <https://www.fenex.org.au/>
- Research Program 3 – Digital Technologies and Interoperability

**GAIA-X as decentral data exchange infrastructure without centralized storage**

## **Limited existing approaches**

**I see great potential in supporting analytics using loose coupled data sources:**

- Interactive tools to discover data
- Tools for supporting dynamic extraction-transformation-loading
- Edge Computing for reducing latency

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