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# Functional changes in historical industrial areas

- If new areas of activity born from life's and society's natural evolution are not integrated or adapted into city life, the historical centres or the obsolete historical industrial areas would rapidly die out
- Transformation of certain industrial urban meshes that surround the periphery of the cities can also be adapted to cater for new changes producing little variations in the adjacent residential quarters

## Industry

- Many historical areas also contain industries that once occupied certain vacant spaces in the close surroundings of the city
- Transformation of some of these obsolete industries into buildings that house clean Information Technology activities is one main challenges
- Maintaining these architectures helps introduce more variety and vitality into the urban fabric
- These industrial buildings can also be used to serve as recreational facilities, cultural venues, etc.















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