AI – artificial intelligence – is going to have a huge impact on the way that cities are managed.

And really, there are going to be two levels at which we’ll see AI impact it.

At one level, when you introduce artificial intelligence into mobility with self-driving cars, we’re going to end up in a situation in five, ten, fifteen years where self-driving vehicles completely replace taxi fleets.

And ultimately will be completely replacing hydrocarbon, personally-owned cars.

That will have a hugely disruptive impact on the city. Both in terms of job creation – we’re going to have fifty, one hundred thousand taxi drivers who are suddenly looking for new employment.

But also, in terms of the way that services are delivered from a personal mobility perspective.

Will people be taking their own cars? Will they be owning their own cars?

And what kind of impact will that have on public mass transit? You know, will we still have people taking buses? Will we – still people – have people taking metros when you can have mobility as a service?