

Saudi Arabia's futuristic new city could be 'scary' surveillance state

Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman's in-the-works Saudi Arabian megadevelopment is being touted as a futuristic paradise — but tech privacy pundits are concerned for the rights of residents.

Known as Neom, the \$1 trillion city is a pet project of the prince and is set to feature an artificial ski resort, robots and AI for the project's inhabitants, and two 1,600-foot-high buildings running parallel to each other across a 75-mile strip of desert and mountains, as The Post previously reported.

There will be 10 regions, including a zero-carbon area called the Line where AI will use 90% of inhabitants' data to personalize services — far more than the approximately 10% of resident data used in current smart cities, Insider reported.

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