

# Brandon G. Donnelly ~ How Megacities Are Changing The Map Of The World

In advance of his new book, titled [Connectography](#), Parag Khanna recently delivered an interesting TED Talk called, [How megacities are changing the map of the world](#). It's about 20 minutes long.

A lot of what is covered won't be new to this audience, but I like how he talks about the importance of urban connectivity, the shift from political to functional geography, and the idea that, in a megacity world, countries can actually be the suburbs of some cities.

One thing you might notice about the talk is how he glosses over both Canada and Europe. This is a reminder to me that if Canadian cities are going to continue to compete against the emerging megacities of the world, we are going to need to think at [the scale of the megalopolis](#). And a big part of that means a focus on extra-urban connectivity.

Read more: <http://brandondonnely.com/how-megacities>