IPADS on the kitchen wall, storage, and entertainment systems are all part of the rising trend of home automation. "The home of tomorrow will be a smart home," said University of SA professor of architecture, Dr. Stephen Ward. "This is not just about technology, but about making our homes more efficient, comfortable, and sustainable." Ward believes the trend of home automation will continue to grow in the future, with more and more people embracing technology to improve their daily lives.

**LIVING**
- Feature and variances that look into and provide access to the outdoor living areas for greater outdoor livability.
- Include entertainment area, and large open-plan living.
- All content to be come from internet. Internet service provider will host phone, TV, radio, etc.
- According to the experts, this trend will continue, with more people looking for ways to integrate technology into their homes.

**REAL ESTATE**
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- The ability to integrate them seamlessly into the home, we will probably become more reliant, but less aware of the role they play in our homes, coming from lights on and off to home control and entertainment," he said.
- Already we’ve seen kitchens open up to the living and dining areas and there’s more to store.

**BATHROOMS**
- The smart wardrobe in the children’s bedrooms can download information about children’s activities. The electronics in the clothes can tell how much exercise the kids get during the day.
- Mirrors which project in real-time different clothes, accessories and hairstyles when you stand before them.

**KITCHEN**
- An embedded touchscreen to give news, TV guides, movie schedules, weather, music, home controls and calendar information.
- Smart refrigerators, cooking tops, and food dispensers can help with shopping lists. Technology could also identify ingredients which are stored, suggest recipes, set shopping lists, or begin preparation.

**BEDROOMS**
- In-built computer screens that allow email, internet and social networks to be accessed while cooking dinner or supervising the kids as they do their homework (i.e. iPads on the wall or in-built into appliances).

**OUTDOOR**
- With smaller land packages, roof-top productive gardens may replace the traditional kitchen garden. Computer-controlled shades.
- Water capture, storage and processing and re-use of water will be the norm.

**SMART MATERIALS**
- Materials from the industry are changing to change with the needs of the consumer.

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