

New television revolution



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The giant Consumer Electronics Show (CES) kicked off in Las Vegas this week, with Korean rivals Samsung and LG unveiling new "smart" television technology that shows clearly how the battle over online media and applications is spreading from computers, phones and tablets and onto big-screen TVs.

It's now considered only a matter of time - perhaps months or even weeks - before Apple unveils its first foray into flat-panel TVs.

The Californian company is strongly rumoured to be planning one or more large-screen devices, possibly running the same iOS operating system that powers its iPhone and iPad devices and connected to a wide array of online apps, movies and television shows.

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