



China's Urban Century: Governance, Environment, and Socio-Economic Imperatives

**UrbaChina final conference
Paris, January 15-16, 2015**



UrbaChina; Sustainable Urbanisation in China: Megatrends toward 2050 is the result of an ambitious four year research project (2011-2015) conducted by an international team of academics funded by the European Union within the Framework 7th Programme.

The research process involved extensive data collection, field studies and interviews in several Chinese cities: Beijing, Shanghai, Chongqing, Kunming and Huangshan.

Internationally recognised economists, sociologists, anthropologists, geographers and sinologists have conducted research and exchanged findings in order to grasp the differentiated character Chinese urbanisation, beyond traditional academic frames, bringing each perspective (economic, urbanistic, historic, geographical, anthropological) into play.

We have interviewed planning officers, National Development Reform Commission officials, land developers, village committees, farmers, urban and rural experts, entrepreneurs and others allowing us to better understand China's urbanisation at the grassroots level, and to check the reliability of existing data.

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Day 1: Thursday, 15 January 2015	
Venue: Cité de l'architecture, Palais de Chaillot, salle Anatole de Baudot	
8:30-9:00	<i>Participants arrivals and registration</i>
9:00-10:30	<i>Session 1 : Welcome session</i>
	Welcome of participants and introduction to the agenda: <i>Guy Amsellem, President, Cité de l'architecture et du patrimoine</i>
	Opening remarks <i>François-Joseph Ruggiu (Vice Director, INSHS CNRS)</i>
	Remarks by the European Commission representative <i>Cristina Marcuzzo</i>
	Keynote speech <i>Dwight Perkins (Harvard University)</i>
	Achievements and issues in an EU-China collaborative project <i>François Gipouloux (CNRS)</i>
10:30-11:00	<i>Coffee break and photo session</i>
11:00-12:30	<i>Session 2: Institutional foundations and policies for urbanisation (wp2)</i> <i>Chair: Liu Weidong</i>
	Prospects and paths for sustainable urbanisation in China <i>Li Shantong (DRC), F. Gipouloux (CNRS), Du Debin (HuaDa), Ni Pengfei (CAS)</i>
	Producer services and urbanization in China: some trends and challenges <i>Peter W. Daniels (UoB-SERU)</i>
12:30-14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00-15:00	<i>Session 3: Territorial expansion and accommodating a greater population (wp3)</i> <i>Chair: Li Shantong (DRC)</i>
	Salient Features of Urbanisation in China <i>A. Hussain (LSE)</i>
	Chongqing in South-West China – a Case Study <i>Mick Dunford (Univ. of Sussex)</i>
15:00-15:30	<i>Session 4: Infrastructure and services for sustainable urbanisation (wp4)</i> <i>Chair: Yuan Zhigang (Fudan Univ.)</i>
	The “eco” and “low-carbon” cities agenda and the space-scale-efficiency nexus (wp4) <i>O. Bina and L. Balula (ICS), A. Ricci (ISIS)</i>
15:30-16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:00-17:00	<i>Session 5: Urban communities and social sustainability (wp5)</i> <i>Chair: Meng Jianjun (Tsinghua Univ.)</i>
	Policy implementation and formation in China <i>S. Feuchtwang (LSE), P. Morais (LSE), Luo Pan (CUHK), Zhang Hui (RenDa)</i>
17:30-18:30	<i>Exhibit at Palais de Chaillot</i>

Day 2: Friday, 16 January 2015	
Venue: Cité de l'architecture, Palais de Chaillot, salle Anatole de Baudot	
9:00-11:00	<p>Session 6: persistent challenges, new urban experiences <i>Chair: Françoise Ged (Cité de l'architecture)</i></p> <p>'Central-Local relation in Chinese Urbanization: The case of Chongqing' <i>Pu Yongjian (Chongqing Univ.) TBC</i></p> <p>'New Challenges in Urban Governance and Financing' <i>Liu Zhi (Lincoln Institute)</i></p> <p>'Fiscal constraints and their impact on financing urbanization, the case of Kunming', <i>Hu Ying (Kunming Univ.)</i></p> <p>'Shanghai in 2050: its development challenges and strategy choices', <i>Huang Li (Huada)</i></p> <p>'Frontiers of Urbanization and Potential for Circular Economy, the case of Huangshan', <i>C. Hart (RenDa)</i></p>
11:00-11:15	Coffee break
11:15-12:30	<p>Session 7: Dissemination (wp6) <i>Chair: Huang Li (HuaDa)</i></p> <p>Sharing and informing about Urbanisation in China <i>H. Ai (Sun Yat-Sen University, Canton), M. Elosua (EHESS) and S. Goulard (EHESS)</i></p> <p>Urban studies syllabi <i>O. Bina (ICS) and L. Balula (ICS)</i></p>
13:00-14:30	Lunch
14:00-15:00	<p>Session 8: Scenarios building (wp4 and wp1-integration) <i>Chair: Du Debin (HuaDa)</i></p> <p>Urban scenarios as policy support mechanisms <i>A. Ricci (ISIS) and O. Bina (ICS)</i></p>
15:00-15:30	Coffee break
15:30-18:00	<p>Session 9 : Scientific & Stakeholder Committee roundtable <i>Chair: Dwight Perkins (Harvard University)</i></p> <p><i>Participants: Françoise Ged (Cité de l'architecture), Meng Jianjun (Tsinghua University), Michel Prouzet (Barreau de Paris), Yuan Zhigang (Fudan University), Bernard Yvetot (Orange)</i></p>

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