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Cities are places of social innovation and engines of economic growth. They attract dynamic groups of society, provide vast opportunities of interaction, communication and exchange of knowledge, and lay the foundation for attracting large shares of research and development investment and an innovative service sector.

TRANS-URBAN-EU-CHINA focuses on:

➤ Community building and place-making in neighbourhoods
➤ Bridging the planning implementation gap in eco- and smart cities
➤ Land use planning and land management in new urban expansion and urban renewal areas
➤ Transition pathways to sustainable urban planning and governance
➤ Living Labs, exploitation and dissemination

The Horizon 2020 project TRANS-URBAN-EU-CHINA joins eight European and six Chinese expert organisations to cooperate on socially integrative cities. Due to their important role and their national responsibilities for regional and urban planning, research and education will exert direct impact on society. The External Advisory Board will secure a global reach.

Two Chinese Living Labs and 60 Reference Cities from Europe and China will ensure the solidity and the relevance of the outcomes of this EU funded project (2018-2020).

TRANS-URBAN-EU-CHINA will combine the best of both worlds to create new insights, practices and role models in sustainable urban transitions in China. The combination of partners will provide a valuable contribution to an improved EU-China reciprocal knowledge on urbanisation processes.

The key objective of TRANS-URBAN-EU-CHINA is to help policy makers, urban authorities, real estate developers, public service providers and citizens in China to create socially integrative cities in an environmentally friendly and financially viable way.

The project will:

➤ Develop a systematic knowledge base on transition experiences in Europe and China in a comparative way.
➤ Advance tools and measures to support transition in cooperation with local stakeholders and citizens, and test them in two Living Labs located in Chinese cities.
➤ Elaborate related recommendations to support transition towards socially integrative cities, discuss them with representatives of 60 Reference Cities and a wider stakeholder community, and disseminate them through a variety of channels.