

## Project EAST: Euro-Asian Sustainable Towns

**“From pilot to sustainable towns: Satellite cities and metropolitan governance”**



<b>Location</b>	Shanghai, Baoshan and Qingpu districts (China) Raipur and New Raipur (India)		
<b>Duration</b>	48 months		
<b>Partners</b>	1. Basildon District Council (UK) 2. Baoshan District (China) 3. Qingpu District (China) 4. Naya Raipur (India) 5. The Euro-India Centre (India) 6. Les ateliers -International workshops of Urban Planning (France)	<b>Associates</b>	1. City administration of Ahmedabad (India) 2. China-Europa Forum (China)
<b>Target groups</b>	Local urban planners, architects, urban developers of local authorities and all involved stakeholders.		
<b>Final beneficiaries</b>	Population of satellite towns, with particular attention to women and migrant populations (Asia) Urban planners, environmental officers, local technicians (Europe and Asia)		
<b>Analysis of the problems</b>	<p>Many countries in East and South Asia experience a tremendous <b>urban population growth</b>. While the establishment of <b>satellite cities</b> has come to a near halt in Europe, their creation is booming Asia. Asian countries, like China and India, have demonstrated unprecedented, rapid economic growth in the last two decades. These countries host sophisticated centers of manufacturing and other economic activities, offering new opportunities for employment in urban areas, meaning that cities and their metropolises are overflowing with new comers migrating from rural areas. Consequently, <b>new satellite towns and housing areas are built rapidly</b> to accommodate the population growth.</p> <p>→ Complex projects of developments with risk of failure (ghost cities)</p> <p>→ Urgent needs to implement adequate and sustainable responses to the population and the environment</p> <p>→ Challenges to create an alternative urban model due to the booming urbanization and the climate change, economic competitiveness, eco-construction, or land-use issues</p>		

<b>Main activities</b>	<p><b>Communication / Networking</b> (coordination and management of the network)</p> <p><b>Study / Tools and pilot actions</b> (comparative study, local action plans, pilot actions)</p> <p><b>Capacity-building</b> (seminars and experts panels)</p>
<b>Objectives</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Development and promotion of integrated urban approach to foster sustainable development of New Towns and satellite cities in Asia.</li> <li>2. Improvement of capacities and development of skills of local teams (urban planners, architects, investors, local authorities).</li> <li>3. Implementation of networks and knowledge exchange.</li> <li>4. Implementation of local strategies and actions for sustainable urban development.</li> <li>5. Development of measures to combat climate change.</li> <li>6. Communication and visibility of the actions through active networking and dissemination of results.</li> </ol>
<b>Expected results</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Capacity building</li> <li>2. Integrated and sustainable approach of urban development</li> <li>3. Development of measures to fight against impacts of climate change</li> <li>4. Contribution to a concept and methodology promoting sustainable development</li> <li>5. Knowledge-sharing transfer and practices regarding sustainable development and good urban management and governance practices</li> <li>6. Adoption of communication and visibility plan to disseminate efficiently the project results</li> <li>7. Elaboration and adoption of local action plans for sustainable development</li> <li>8. Implementation of local pilot actions and demonstration of environmental sustainability cases</li> </ol>
<b>Action plans</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Coordination, management, implementation and evaluation of the project</li> <li>○ Comparative study on Asian new towns and satellite cities</li> <li>○ Local support groups</li> <li>○ Organisation of expert panels : Naya Raipur September 2011 / Qingpu 2013 / Basildon 2014</li> <li>○ Organisation of three study seminars : Brussels March 2011 / Baoshan March 2012 / Naya Raipur November 2012 (international workshop)</li> <li>○ Adoption of local plans for integrated sustainable urban approach</li> <li>○ Implementation of local pilot actions</li> <li>○ Communication</li> <li>○ Evaluation</li> </ul>

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