



# EXPLORING SMART CITY DEVELOPMENTS AND FANTASIES ACROSS ASIA

1 FEBRUARY 2024

## PROGRAM

Thursday, 1 February

- 10.00      **Philipp Demgenski and Christoph Brumann**  
Max-Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale  
**Welcome and Introduction to “Constructing Urban Futures in Asia” project**
- 10.30      **Shuwen Zhou**  
University of Oxford, U.K.  
“Producing Genuinely People-centred Smart Neighbourhood through Navigating ‘Room for Manoeuvre’: An Analysis of the Role of Community E-planners in the UN-Habitat’s Shuangjing Pilot in Beijing”
- Chair: **Ikuno Naka**  
Max-Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale
- 11.30      *Coffee Break*
- 11.45      **Zhuo Chen**  
University of Helsinki, Finland  
“Chasing the City Brian: Envisioning and Implementing Smart Infrastructure in Hangzhou, China”
- Chair: **Franziska Nicolaisen**  
Max-Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale
- 12.45      *Lunch*

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13.45 **Amelia Hassoun**  
University of Cambridge, U.K.  
“Making Space for the Future: Imagining the Smart Nation in Singapore”

Chair: **Kirsten Endres**  
Max-Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale

14.45 **Orit Halpern**  
Technische Universität Dresden, Germany  
Research proposal

Chair: **Xinyan Luan**  
Max-Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale

15.30 *Coffee Break*

16.00 **Philipp Demgenski**  
Max-Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale  
**Xinyan Luan**  
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Research proposals

Chair: **Christoph Brumann**  
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17.00 Discussion  
Comments by:  
**Jenny Chio**  
University of Southern California, U.S.A.  
**Guangpei Ran**  
Nanjing University, China  
**Michaela Buesse**  
Technische Universität Dresden, Germany

Chair: **Philipp Demgenski**  
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18.30 *Dinner at Restaurant BAY Vegan (Reilstraße 7, 06114 Halle (Saale))*

20.00 Concluding Discussion

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