The Concept of Garden City and Planning in China 1949-1978

The Research sets out theoretical and methodological research of history of urban design and city planning of ‘garden city’ in China between 1949 and 1978.

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Research Aim
The theories of the garden city, neighbourhood unit and Russia’s housing block shaped the urban residential area in China cities. From 1950 to 1957, the total employee housing area invested by the country arrived at 109.16 million square meters, which massively changed the situation of the urban housing.

This research analyses how the garden city theory was transmitted in China, why these ideas were incorporated into Chinese city planning, and how they were implemented.

Following the transfer of garden city ideas, neighborhood unit, satellite city and new town theories were also implemented in China. Basing on case studies on the practices of garden cities, this research figures out types of practices during the period.

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