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## *Undo the discriminatory hukou system to achieve 'cities of dream'?*

edited by Monique Abud

1. Chan, Kam Wing. 2013, February 4. Turning China's cities with invisible walls into cities of dreams. East Asian Forum (accessed 25 April 2013).

1. During a widely publicised tour of Shenzhen, China, the new head of the Communist Party, Xi Jinping, called for the realisation of the 'Chinese dream' — a great national revival.

Shortly after that, the Chinese character *meng* (dream) was voted 'character of the year' in an online poll of 50,000 people.

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## *Call for applications: CEFC short-term mobility grant*

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The French Centre for Research on Contemporary China (CEFC) is offering three fieldwork grants for doctoral students, ranging from one to three months, to be carried out between June 2013 and December 2013 in China, Hong Kong or Taiwan. The grant comprises a monthly stipend of 1200 € as well as a round-trip air ticket between Europe and China, Hong Kong or Taiwan, within the limit of 1000 €.

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## *Sociology of a committee of residents in Beijing*

edited by Aurélie Martin

Wang Di will defend a thesis entitled: Standards and practices of local bodies in urban China:

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sociology of a committee of residents in Beijing. Co-supervision thesis (Peking University-EHESS) Jury Wang Hansheng, Thesis supervisor, professor at Peking University Isabelle Thireau, Thesis supervisor, director of studies at the EHESS, head of research at the CNRS Tang Jun, professor at the Beijing University of Technology Xiaohong Xiao-Planes, professor at INALCO.  
<http://urbachina.hypotheses.org/?p=4261>

## *In China, breathing becomes a childhood risk* edited by Jacqueline Nivard

BEIJING — The boy's chronic cough and stuffy nose began last year at the age of 3. His symptoms worsened this winter, when smog across northern China surged to record levels. Now he needs his sinuses cleared every night with saltwater piped through a machine's tubes.  
<http://urbachina.hypotheses.org/?p=4201>

## *The last of a generation (or bangbangjun and urbanization)* written by Miguel Elosua

Built on mountains and crossed by the Yangtze and Jialing rivers, Chongqing is known as the "mountain city" (shancheng – 山城), and "bridge capital" (qiaodu – 桥都). Streets are often steep and arduous to walk along, with many stairs.  
<http://urbachina.hypotheses.org/?p=4175>

## *A basic understanding of Kunming city* written by Chi-Han Ai

### **Kunming: location and weather**

Kunming is located in the southwest of China and is the provincial capital of Yunnan province. The abbreviation of Kunming is "Kun". Kunming is also known as the "city of eternal spring"  
<http://urbachina.hypotheses.org/?p=4182>

## *Chinese cities and colonial heritage preservation* written by Sebastien Goulard

All Chinese cities do not preserve their architectural heritage in the same way. Many Chinese coastal cities were under Western influence, with the Unequal Treaties, from the second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century to the end of WW2. The foreign presence was reflected in the introduction of Western architecture.  
<http://urbachina.hypotheses.org/?p=3892>



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