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### Background

Natacha Aveline, PhD in urban geography, is permanent research director at CNRS. She is affiliated with the research unit Géographie-cités (University Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne) and lectures at Science Po. She spent eleven years in East Asia as a visiting scholar in several universities and serving as director of the CNRS North Asia regional office based in Tokyo (2006-2010). Her recent research addresses the financialization of real estate and the provision of housing in East Asian aging societies (China, Hong Kong and Japan). She has led several research projects including MEDIUM.

### Current Research

*Adapting the built environment to combine housing and care service provision for ageing populations— the case-study of Hangzhou.*

Rapid demographic ageing has led China to move from a familial elder system of care to seeking for efficient and sustainable social care support. According to the so-called “9073” strategy initiated in 2011, senior living infrastructures will be built with the aim that 90% seniors will receive services at home, 7% seniors will receive community-based care and the other 3% will stay at nursing homes. A major challenge is to achieve a satisfactory balance between hardware (dedicated housing supply) and software (dedicated service supply) in Chinese cities. Although the academic literature addresses various dimensions of living arrangements for the elderly in China, little is known about the provision of built space that is needed to satisfy the combined needs of housing and care services. The project will address this issue by taking Hangzhou as a case-study. In-depth interviews will be conducted with a range of related players (real estate developers, care providers, managers of nursing homes, policy makers...) to figure out the process through which the built environment is being adapted to the needs of a rapidly ageing society.

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### MEDIUM

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