

The Assessment Report for Climate Change in Cities (ARC3-2)



Urban Planning and Design - *First Look at ARC3-2 Findings*

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“Adaptive Mitigation”: *Mesures d'atténuation adaptatives* An Urban Climate Management Priority

Urban Climate Factors: Design and Planning Tools

Design Process for Configuring Climate-Responsive Districts

Case Studies

- **Vegetative Coverage Scenarios for UHI Mitigation**
- **High-Density Adaptive Re-Use through Ventilation Corridors**
- **Adaptive Mitigation Projects: Tropics and Desert**

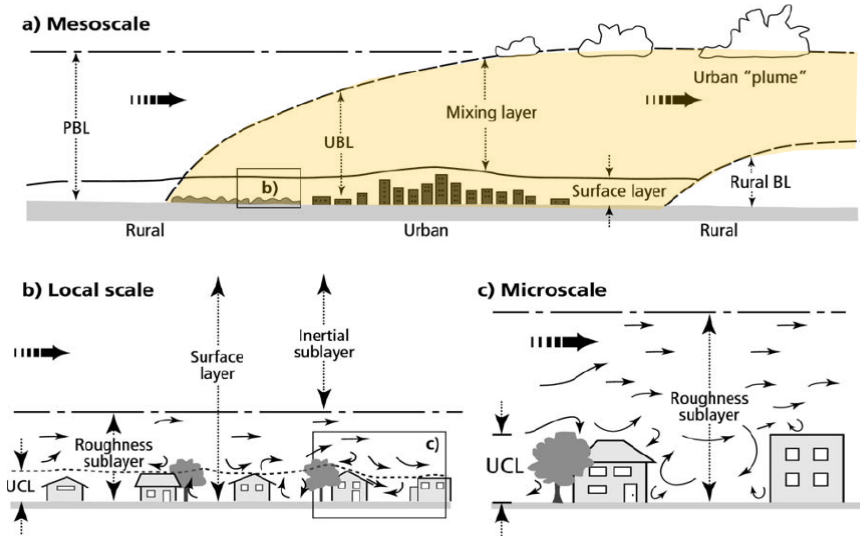
Land Cover, Form, and Spatial Scales

Local Climate Zones and Atmospheric Layers

Local Climate Zones



Atmospheric Layers



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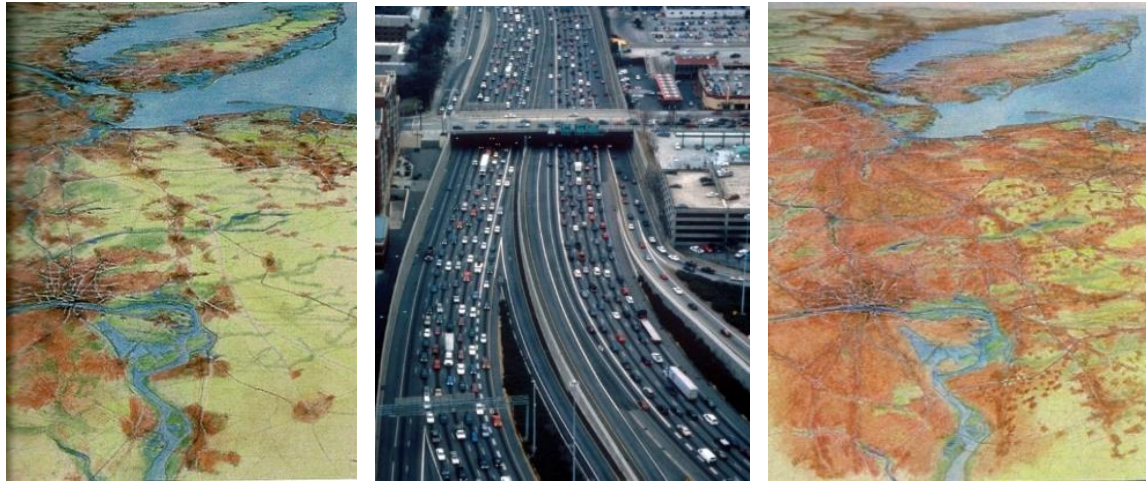
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Adaptive Mitigation

Urban Climate Management Goal

“Adaptive Mitigation” = Climate Change Adaptation + Climate Change Mitigation

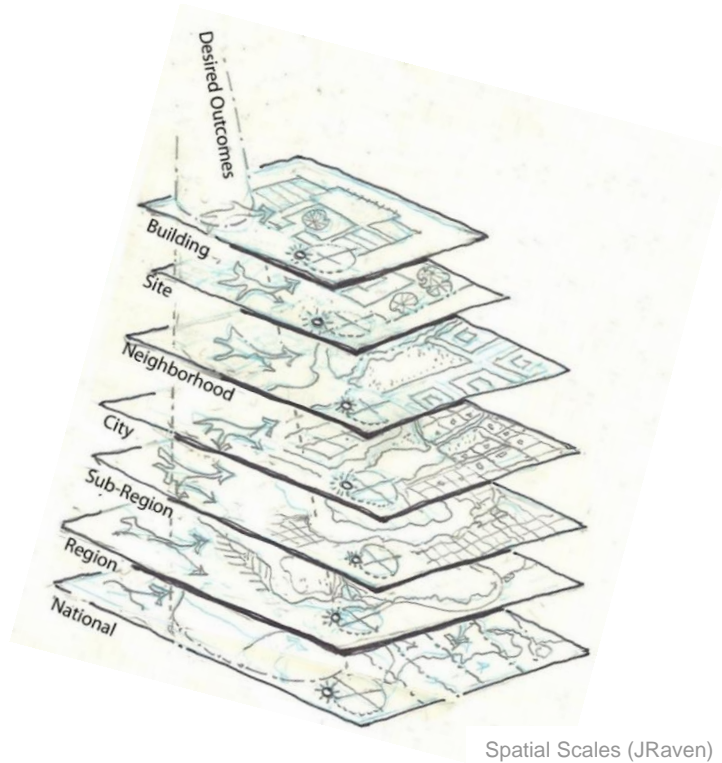


Reduce the global greenhouse gas effect, while increasing climate resilience to urban heat and flooding

Urban Strategy cards: Interdependent Strategies: STAR Communities (Sustainable Tools for Assessing and Rating Communities) (J.Raven)

Adaptive Mitigation for Sustainable & Resilient Cities

Across Spatial Scales, Jurisdictions and Electoral Cycles



Spatial Scales (JRaven)

Ensure long-range strategies across scales, jurisdictions and electoral time-frames

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Adaptive Mitigation for Sustainable & Resilient Cities

Embed Climate-Responsive Design into Planning and Design Process



Recent “best practice” policy / knowledge-transfer initiatives



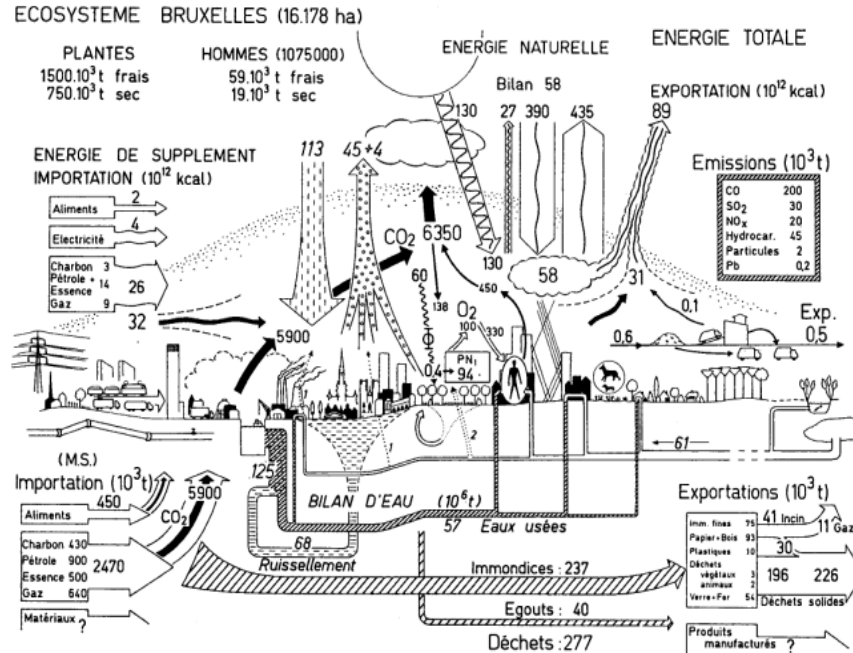
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Role of Designers and Planners: An Expanded Agency

Embed Climate-Responsive Design into Planning and Design process



Placemaking Principles

Permeability – connectivity
Vitality – Interactions
Variety – Options
Legibility – Intuitive

An Expanded Agency

Resilience – Adaptation
Comfort - Environment Permeability
Demand reduction
Resource Efficiency and Re-Use
Biotic Support
Environmental Diversity
Health - Pathological Prevention

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Adaptive Mitigation for Sustainable & Resilient Cities

Local Conditions Drive Climate-Responsive Strategies

Consider local conditions to generate climate-responsive strategies



Adaptive Mitigation for Sustainable & Resilient Cities

Urban Quality of Life and People-Centered Spaces for Social Resilience



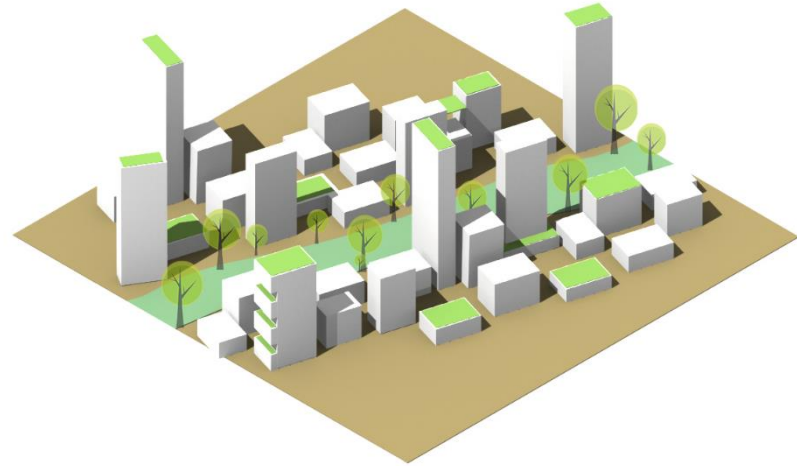
Deliver quality of life for urban citizens as the key performance outcome across all sectors.



Invest in social cohesion as key to resilience, whose success hinges on people centered urban spaces.

Urban Climate Factor #1 - Urban Form

Surface Cover: Enhancing the Built Environment's Vegetative Coverage



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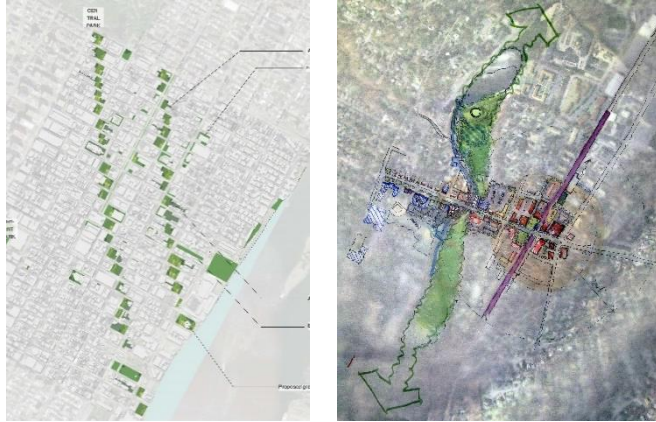
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Co-Benefits Across Systems & Spatial Scales



Mid-town East Retrofit & TOD Linked to Greenways



Green Infrastructure Co-Benefits: STAR Communities

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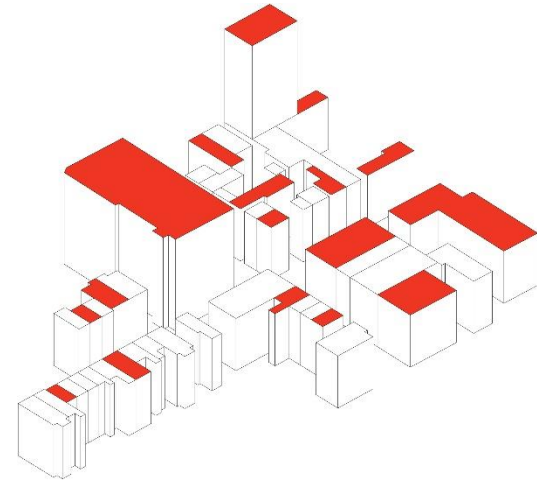
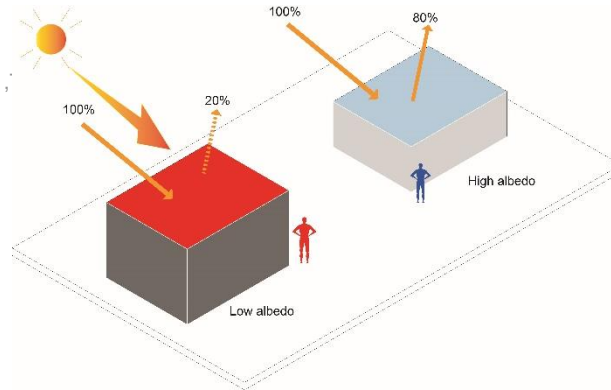
Urban Climate Factor #2 – Urban Form

Construction Materials, Heat Capacity and Surface Reflectivity



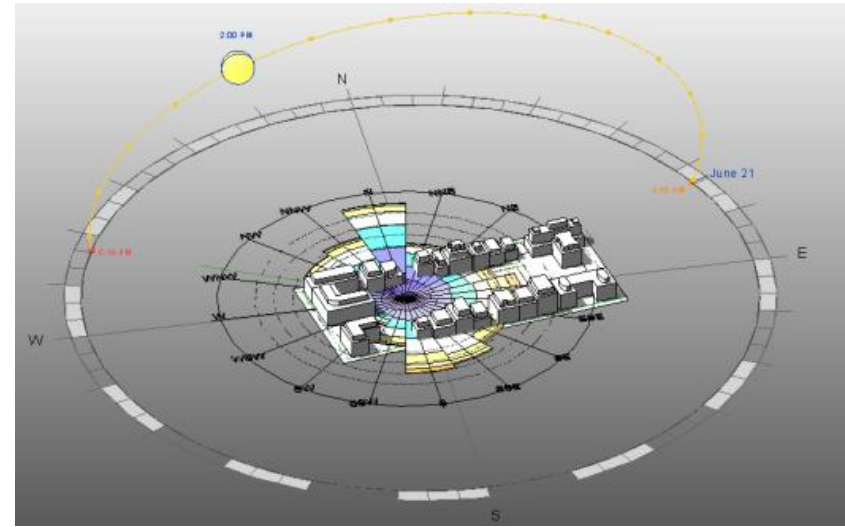
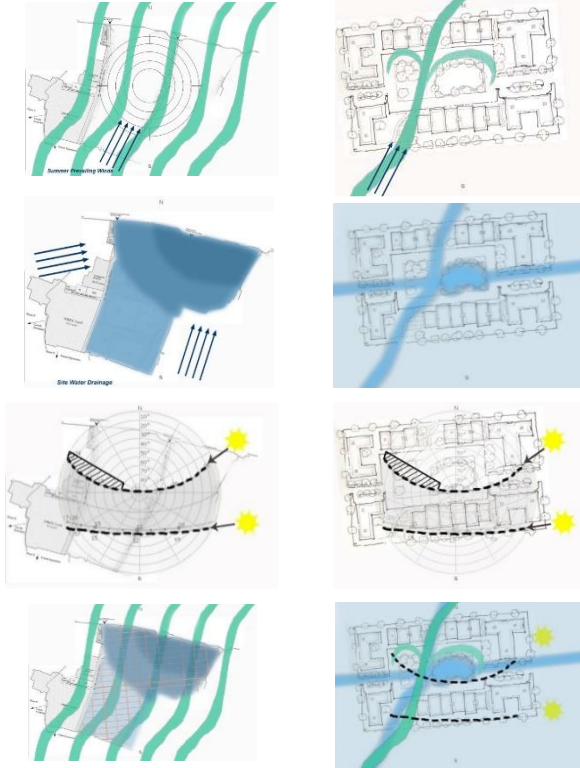
Southwood Valley School-College Station

High albedo roofs cool roof surfaces, reduce cooling loads.
This strategy alone does not impact comfort at street level



Urban Climate Factor #3 – Urban Form

Built Geometry: 3D Urban Form, Orientation, Ventilation and Solar Impacts



Kolkata Green Satellite Cities Project, India (Raven A+U)

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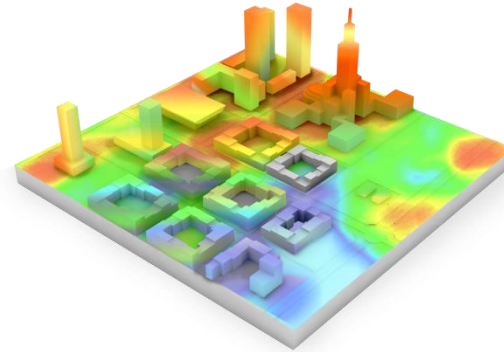
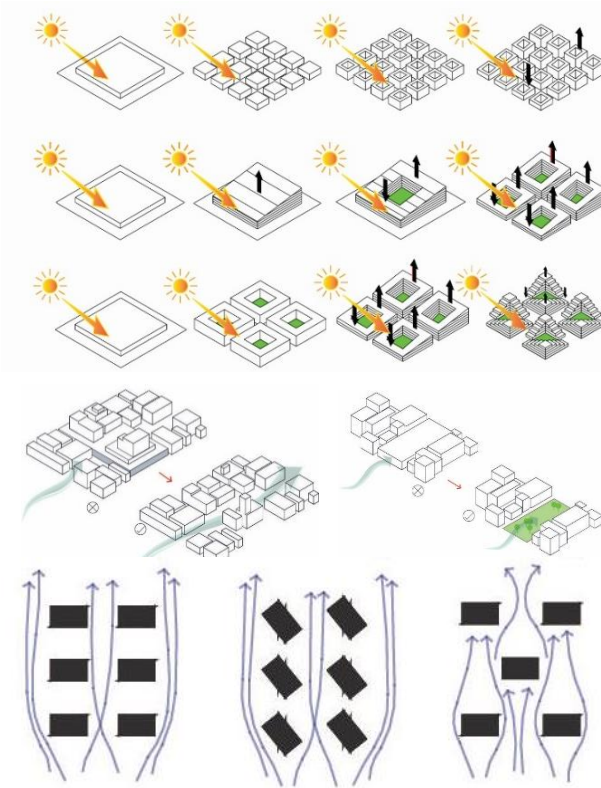
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Urban Climate Factor #4 – Urban Function

Human & Infrastructure-Generated Waste Heat: Transport, Buildings and Industry

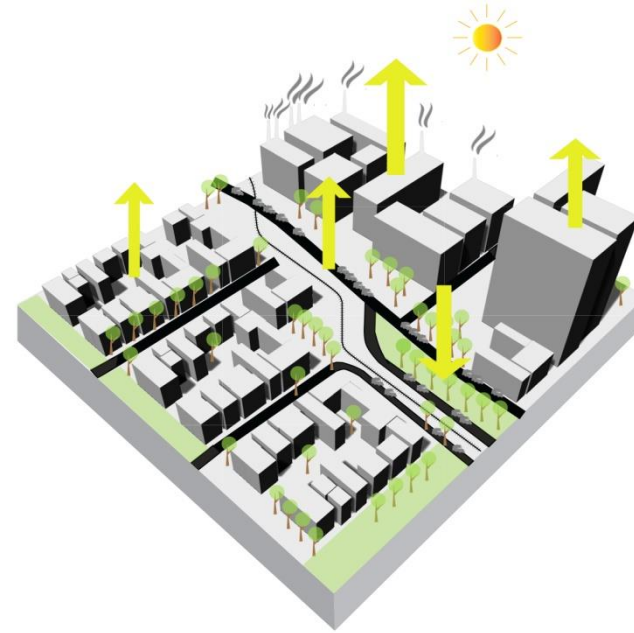


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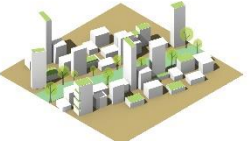
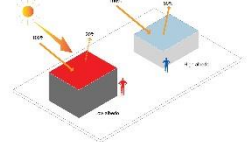
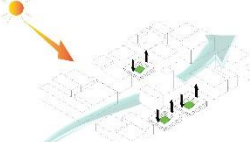

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Climate-Resilient Urban Design

Urban Climate Factors

	Urban Climate Factors	Tools	Units
	Vegetation Green-blue infrastructure Building-integrated	Surveys Satellite images GIS mapping	% Coverage Vegetation type Evapotranspiration
	Surface Reflectivity Thermal Mass	Radiation Analysis Building envelope energy analysis	kWh/m2 R-value
	Geometry Ventilation Solar Impacts	Massing diagrams Wind / sun impacts Sky view factor Outdoor comfort	FAR / bldg. height Solar radiation Wind Speed UTCI / PET
	Energy Waste heat Transport Buildings Industry	Transport data Indoor comfort On-site energy Radiant heat map	VMT UTCI / PET Kwh Temperature

Design Intervention Process

1. Climate Analysis Mapping



Urban Scale

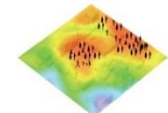


Local Scale

2. Public Space Evaluation

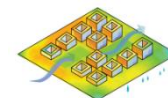
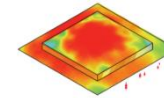


Level of comfort



User Groups / Climate Intensity

3. Planning and Design Intervention



4. Post-Intervention Evaluation



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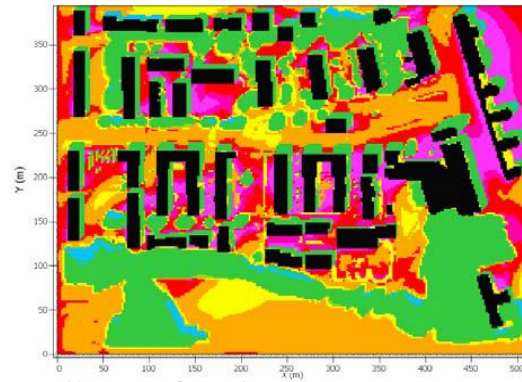
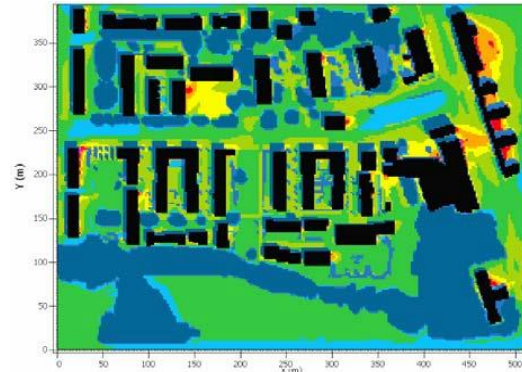
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Planning Process: Climate Analysis Mapping

Kassel, Germany



Heat wave Scenario

Human thermal comfort within urban spaces, combining:

- Micro-climate modeling
- Population surveys

PET



Human Thermal Comfort

Typical day (above)

Heat wave (below)



Urban Climate Map (UCM), Kassel- Germany 2009

- Climate Analysis Map (1/10,000)
- Recommendation Map
- Urban (1/25,000); District (1/2,500)

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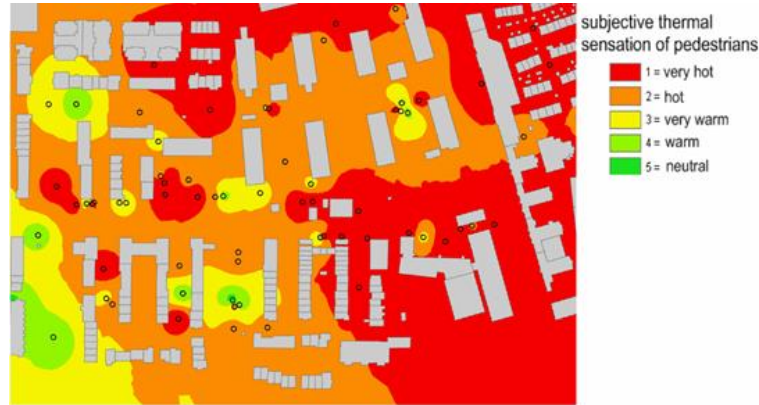
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Planning Process: Public Space Survey

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Population Survey Crosschecked Against Simulation



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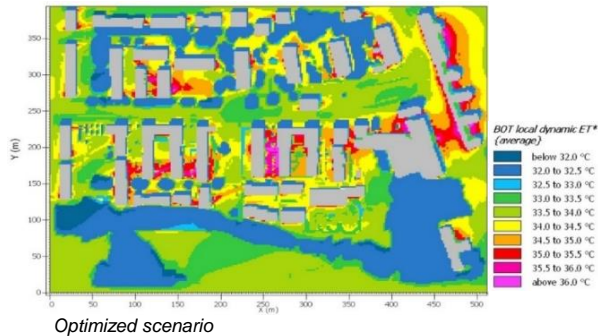
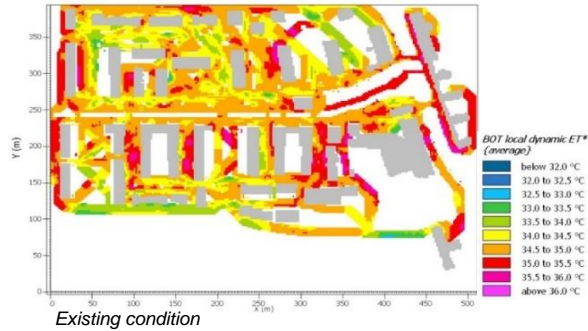
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Planning usage of ENVIMET Simulation



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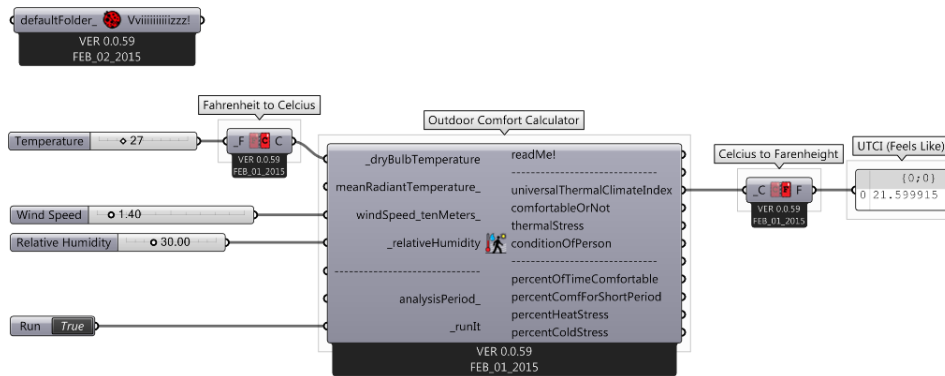
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Performance-Based Urban Design Process

Calculating Outdoor Comfort

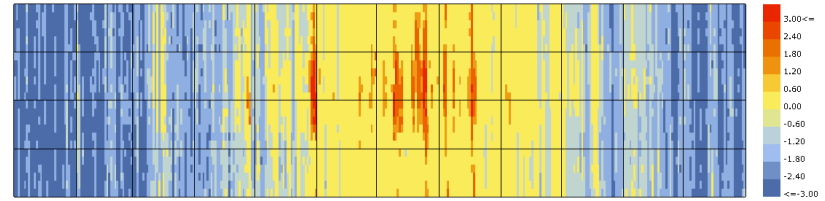


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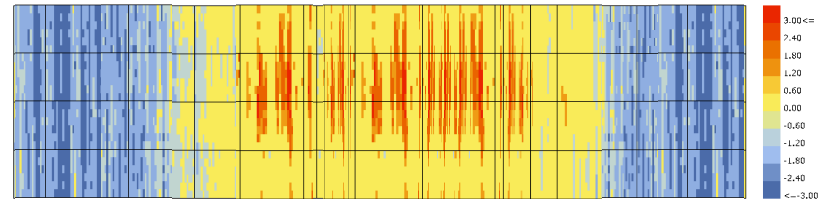
Rhino+ Grasshopper + Ladybug
Universal Thermal Climate Index (UTCI)

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Year 2015: Outdoor Comfort NYC – January-December



Year 2050 (illustrative): Outdoor Comfort NYC – January-December

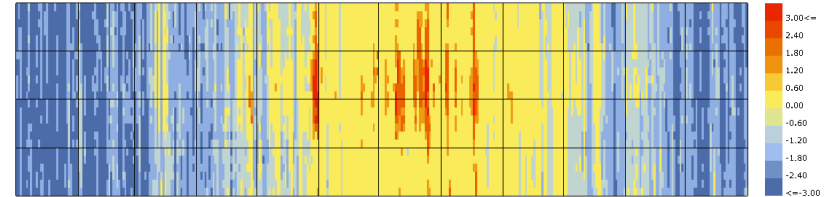
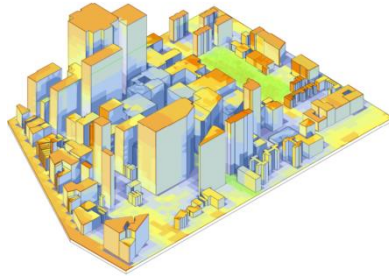
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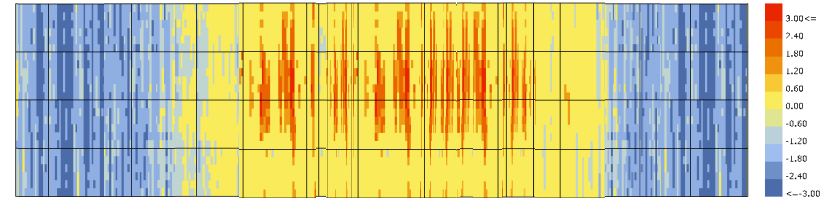
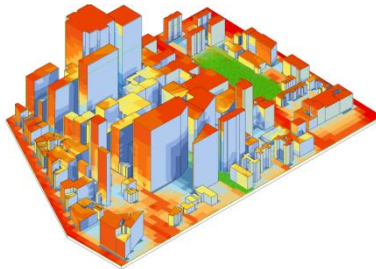
Existing Urban Configuration:

2015



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Thermal Comfort

Climate-resilient, high-density mixed use design intervention

Vegetative Coverage

Mitigating remaining hot spots with landscaping



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Collaboration with Klimaat Consulting

NOTE: Average or mean seasonal universal thermal climate index (UTCI) values in °C (due to the local combination of wind, solar, ambient temperature and humidity exposure).

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Case Study: Adaptive Mitigation in the Tropics

Thanh Hoa, Vietnam

Green and Blue “Fingers” through Compact City:

- Natural Cooling
- Stormwater Retention
- Canals and Connected Green Corridors aligned with prevailing summer breezes



Completed by Jeffrey Raven, as Director of Sustainability + Urban Design - Berger Group, 2008

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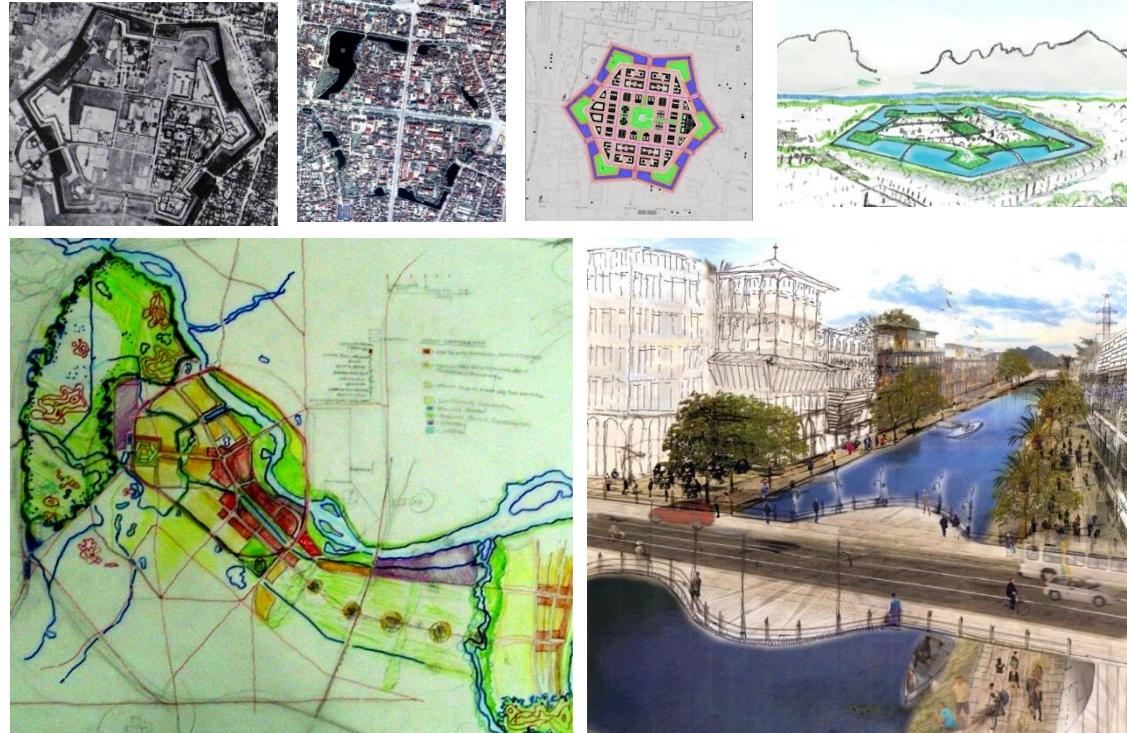
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Resilient Urban Design Green Infrastructure

Green and Blue “Fingers” through Compact City:

- Stormwater retention as urban design amenity
- Multi-modal transportation opportunities
- Enhanced pedestrian connectivity along canals
- Building envelopes: Passive cooling to lower energy loads



Canal Gateway, Thanh Hoa Capital Plan, Raven-LBG (2008)

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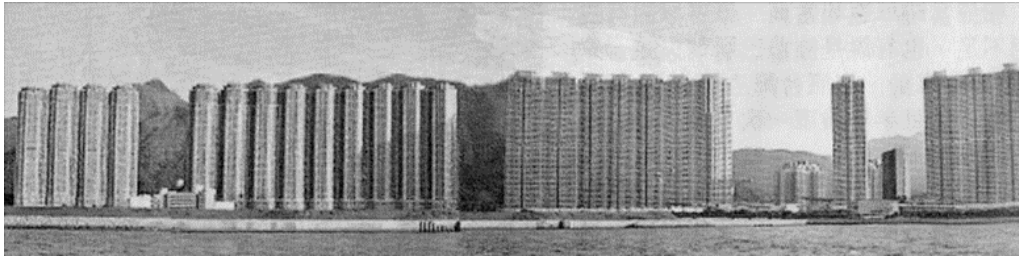
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Case Study: Urban Ventilation Corridors for a High-Density City

Hong Kong, China



An example of wall building on the waterfront in Hong Kong

Hong Kong

A high density City with a population of 7.5 million living on 25 square kilometer of land.

Tall and wall-like buildings in the urban areas block the incoming wind and sea breezes.

This leads to the worsening of urban air ventilation and attenuates the city's urban heat island intensity.

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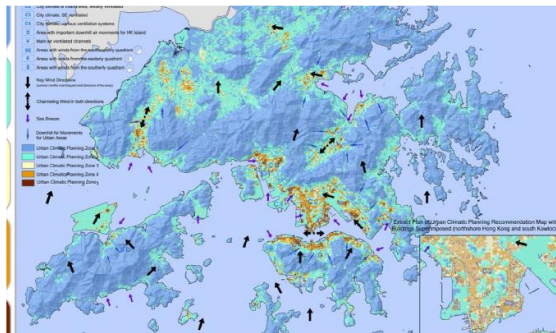
Hong Kong, China



Hot spots (red zones)



Open spaces (blue) and air paths (red lines) suggested for the area



The Urban Climatic Map classifies Hong Kong's urban and rural areas into five planning zones. The Hong Kong Government produces the Urban Climatic Map System to provide evidence-based tool for planning decision making.



A building volume density study of the area, Hong Kong- China

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Case Study: Vegetative Coverage Scenarios for UHI Mitigation

Manchester, UK

Vegetation drives urban microclimate

- Direct shading
- Evapotranspiration
- Storing and reradiating less heat than built surfaces

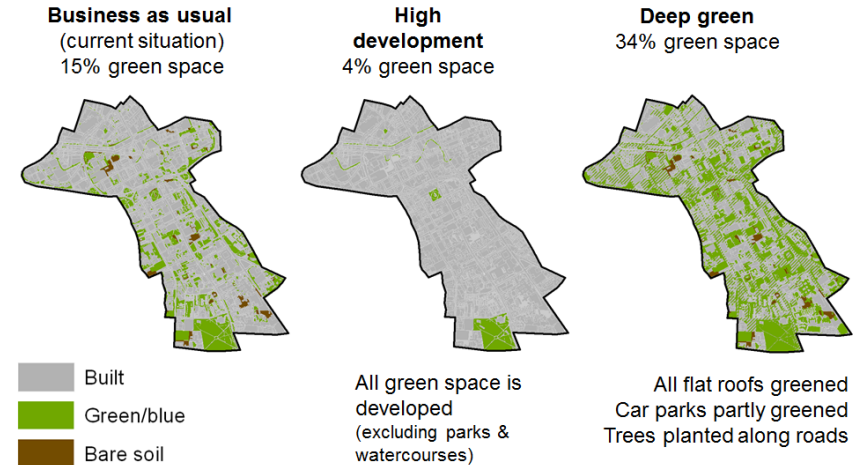
If land surface cover ratios remain the same (**Business As Usual**), climate change will increase maximum surface temperatures by 1.1-3.7° C

Under the **High Development** scenario, projected surface temperatures increase by at least 5° C.

Under the **Deep Green** Scenario results in around 6° C reduction in projected surface temperatures. Around 21% additional green space will maintain baseline 1961-1990 temperatures

Methods

Three development scenarios were proposed:



Simulated development scenarios from aerial photograph Interpretation. Base map is © Crown Copyright /database right 2015. An ordnance Survey/ EDINA supplied service.

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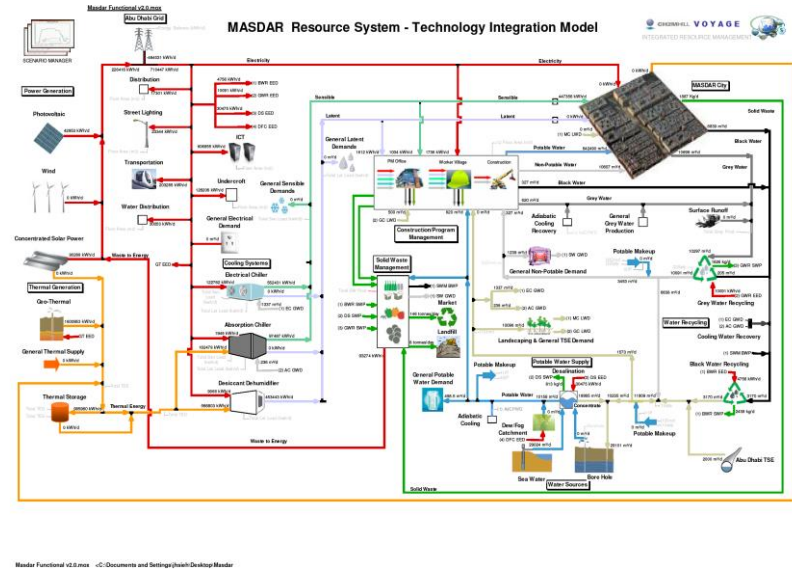
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Case Study: Adaptive Mitigation in the Desert

Masdar, Abu Dhabi, UAE



Masdar, Carbon-Neutral Development Case Study: Abu Dhabi, UAE (Source: Foster + Partners)



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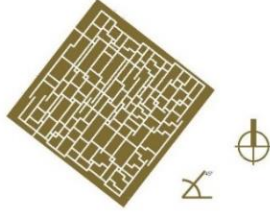
North/South

The North-South orientation of streets allows a slight penetration of the urban structure with a subsequent increase in cooling loads requirements.



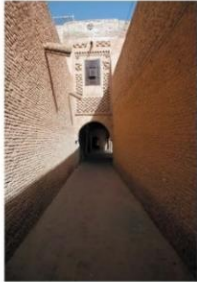
East/West

An East/West alignment also results in an increase in cooling load requirement due to the street exposure of external walls to sunlight.



Northeast/Southwest

The diagonal grid provides optimal shading



Source: Masdar / Fosters & Partners (2009).

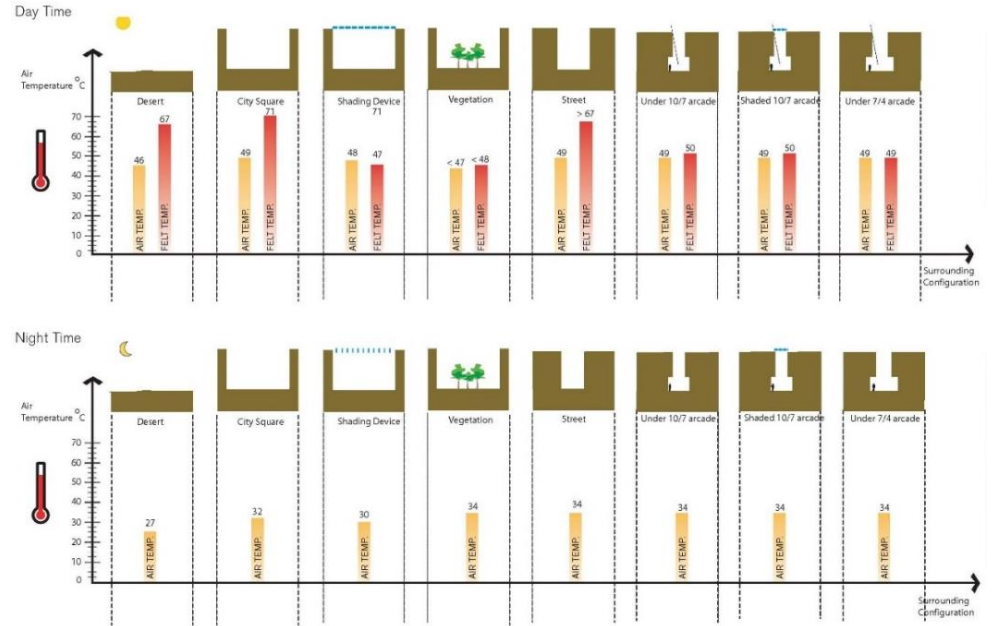
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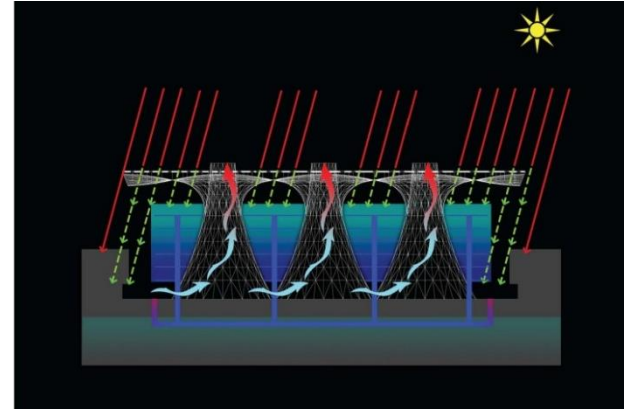
Wind Tower, Dubai

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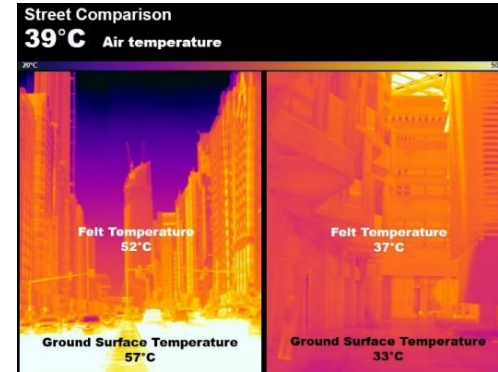


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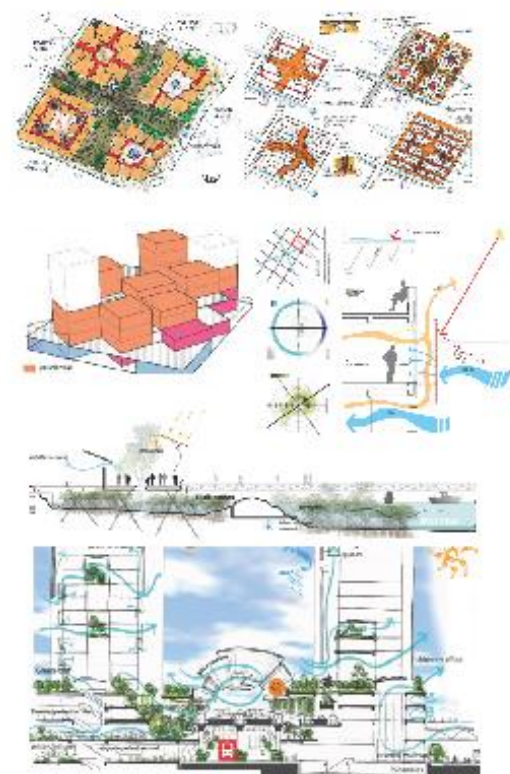
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