Smart retrofitting of urban housing in China and the Netherlands?

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Insights

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- Provider-household interactions substantiate how domestic practices may change
- More householder-perspective needed in retrofit recruitment
- More attention needed for appropriation of improved technologies by householders
- Lessons can be learned from more collective Chinese and more individualised Dutch approaches

Study area



Problem & challenges

- 33% of total CO₂ emission is from energy consumption in buildings
- 50% of total housing stock needs energy efficiency improving retrofit
- Current top-down technologycentred retrofit provision leads to limited energy savings
- Everyday domestic practices of householders cause variations in energy consumption up to 300%

Main question & Methods

How to conceptualise, understand and improve the organized interaction between households and providers in Dutch and Chinese retrofitting projects?





Visualization of retrofit

Conceptual framework

