



## Sustainable Healthy Cities

A National Science Foundation-supported  
Sustainability Research Network (SRN)



## Urban Data Workshop

June 26-28, 2019

University of Minnesota | Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA

### Objectives:

Assemble a core group of researchers and datasets that will contribute to developing a global dataset on urban area energy use in ways that add up and align with national totals. We call this method a Bot-Top approach because it combines as much bottom-up available data with top-down estimates. The method builds upon prior work that tested the methodology in China<sup>1</sup> and is presently being tested in India and the USA. We want to expand from these three countries to include additional countries in Asia [e.g., Japan, Thailand, etc.], EU, Australia, and Africa [e.g., Kenya, South Africa, etc.].

### Draft Agenda:

#### Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>

#### **Joint Urban Session** with the Global Carbon Project Scientific Steering Committee

8:30 am to 12:15pm | Carlson School of Public Affairs – Private Dining Room

- Agenda for Joint Session to be determined

#### **Lunch**

12:15 pm - 1:15 pm | | Carlson School of Public Affairs – Private Dining Room

---

<sup>1</sup> Ramaswami, A., Tong, K., Fang, A., Lal, R., Nagpure, A., Li, Y., Yu, Y., Jiang, D., Shen, H., Russell, A.G., Shi, L., Chertow, M., Wang, Y., Wang, S., 2017. Urban Cross-Sector Actions for Carbon Mitigation with Local Health Co-Benefits in China. *Nature Clim. Change* 7(10), 736-742.

Tong, K., Fang, A., Li, Y., Shi, L., Wang, Y., Wang, S., Ramaswami, A., 2018. The collective contribution of Chinese cities to territorial and electricity-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. *Journal of Cleaner Production* 189, 910-921.

Afternoon working session: **Reviewing the methodology for aligning national scale data with bottom-up aggregated/scaled up data in US, China and India**

1:15 pm – 4:00 pm | | Carlson School of Public Affairs – Private Dining Room

- Review national data disaggregated by sectors
- Review bottom-up data and scale up to national total
- Checking for high-level alignment, quantify differences

\*\*Remaining sessions over the next two days are deep dive working sessions.

**Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**

Morning working session: **Bottom-up approach for household energy use**

8:30 am to 10:30 pm | Campus Club – Dale Shephard Room

- Spatially populate household energy use data across all urban areas using bottom-up approach
- Conduct error analysis if possible
  - India and US examples will be provided

**Break**

10:30 am to 10:45 pm | Campus Club – Dale Shephard Room

Mid-morning working session: **Bottom-up approach for industrial energy use**

10:45 am to 12:45 pm | Campus Club – Dale Shephard Room

- Spatially populate pillar industries
- Spatially populate other industrial use
- Conduct error analysis if possible
  - India and US examples will be provided

**Lunch**

12:45 pm – 1:45 pm | Campus Club – Dale Shephard Room

Afternoon working session: **Bottom-up approach for commercial energy use**

1:45 pm – 4:00 pm | Campus Club – Dale Shephard Room

- Spatially populate commercial energy use
- Conduct error analysis if possible
  - India and US examples will be provided

**Group Dinner**

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm | Location to be determined

**Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>**

Morning working session: **Transportation**

8:30 am to 10:30 pm | Campus Club – Dale Shephard Room

- Spatially populate energy use for passenger and commercial travel
  - New approaches (“Big Micro Data”) from Yoshi
- Conduct error analysis if possible
  - India and US examples will be provided
  - Japan and Chinese city big data approaches to travel demand will be discussed

**Break**

10:30 am to 10:45 pm | Campus Club – Dale Shephard Room

Mid-morning working session: **Stretch Goal: Land use change emissions estimate**

10:45 am to 12:45 pm | Campus Club – Dale Shephard Room

**Lunch**

12:45 pm – 1:45 pm | Campus Club – Dale Shephard Room

Afternoon working session: **Stretch Goal: Built infrastructure and food systems**

1:45 pm – 4:00 pm | Campus Club – Dale Shephard Room

**Closing and Next Steps**

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm | Campus Club – Dale Shephard Room