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This short paper aims to give an account on China's rapid urbanization and the dilemmas and controversies this brings along. First the peculiarities of Chinese urbanization are discussed, such as the strange definition of urban areas and, more importantly, the contradiction between the quick marketization of the economy and the slow change in the strict top-down regulation of urbanization.

[Iván Tosics, The Chinese urban development dilemma: heritage and green areas as victims of rapid urbanization](#)[Pobierz](#)