

## **Project Description: House of Dreams**

The “House of Dreams” by Insitu Project uses circular material economy and sustainable development principles in the revitalisation of an abandoned cave settlement in Zhoushan Village in China. The unique outcome of the project developed arose due to the high use of repurposed local construction material waste combined with local unskilled labour in the construction process. “House of Dreams” was recently recipient of 6 international awards including the first prize for the UIA2030 / UN Habitat award for sustainable material use, the 2022 Human City Design Award and the 2022 Azure Award for Social Good.

## **Bio of Speaker from the team - Peter HASDELL**

Peter HASDELL is an architect, urbanist and academic. He is the Associate Dean of Academic Programmes in the School of Design at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University. A graduate from the University of Sydney and the Architectural Association, London, he has practiced, researched and taught in Europe, North America and Asia since 1994, including the Bartlett School (UCL) and the Berlage Institute (TU Delft).

He has been a key member of internationally known research institutes including Chora Institute of Architecture and Urbanism; C.A.S.T Centre for Architecture, Structure and Technology on fabric formed concrete. He established and directed A+URL Architecture + Urban Research Lab in Stockholm focusing on augmented ecosystems; and founded and runs the award-winning Insitu Project <http://insitu-project.com/> with KUO Jze Yi as a practice-based research platform in Hong Kong. His current work focuses on metabolic design on the scales of the city (city as a life form, urban sustainability and ecology), and as architecture (interactive and responsive architectures, circular materiality).