India launched a Smart Cities program in 2015 with the aim of supporting Indian cities committed to sustainable and exemplary development. Using the example of the two cities, Chandigarh and Bhubaneswar, the seminar will apply a „Smart Cities“ – approach and define its uses and boundaries.

The selection of these cities was initiated by the French Institute in India (IFI) and the Goethe-Max Mueller Bhavan Institute, which co-operates the integration of the heritage into the development of the Indian „Smart cities“. In November 2019 research will be carried out on-site during a workshop (interviews with citizens, administrative staff, actors of external companies, etc.). Heritage offers the opportunity to question, through our reading of the past, the complexity of contemporary societies as the collective choices to operate today.

The aim is to identify the strengths and weaknesses of projects in this area, in order to provide Smart Cities experts and local governments with an initial assessment of the actions carried out with recommendations. The research project is supposed to address the relationship between cultural preservation and modernization and to further develop the obtained results into guidelines. The goal is to anchor cultural preservation as a central concern in the documents. The results will be presented at the end of the seminar.

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