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## Social Identity and Class Consciousness among Hong Kong Farmers

### ABSTRACT

Given the social and political significance of ‘the peasant’ (*nongmin*) in modern Chinese history, it is surprising that the term *nongmin* is largely absent in Hong Kong, where discourses about individual farmers (*nongfu*) are far more prevalent. In tracing the modern etymology of Chinese peasants and the history of Hong Kong agriculture, this talk argues that the lack of ‘class’ consciousness makes Hong Kong farmers even more vulnerable to the unceasing wave of urban sprawl.

### LANGUAGE

English

### DATE

18 Feb 2021 (Thu)

### TIME

4:30 – 6:00 pm (GMT+8)

### ZOOM MEETING

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### ABOUT THE SPEAKER

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