## The Power of Example: Green Living and Social Transformations in Hong Kong

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As the world praised Hong Kong protesters for sorting the recyclables during the 2014 Umbrella Movement and the 2019 Anti-Extradition Law Protests, few realized that such an initiative was far from an impromptu act to keep the streets clean but, rather, a snapshot of some citizens' longstanding effort to green Hong Kong. During her fellowship at the RCC, Loretta Lou will work on an ethnography of "green living" in Hong Kong. *The Power of Example: Green Living and Social Transformations in Hong Kong* is the first book-length monograph on green living in a global city. In unravelling the implications of green living for self-development, relationality, everyday ethics, and social movements, Dr. Lou explores the potentiality of a new kind of everyday embodied activism, namely walking the talk, in bringing about social changes. The book tells the stories of ordinary people and their extraordinary efforts to create a more responsible and sustainable way of living and highlights the intersection between more high-profile activisms and unsung individual actions that have nonetheless contributed to the making of Hong Kong's civic landscape.