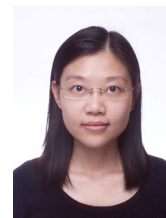


## 2023/2024 Research Seminar #3



### Presentation Title:

### The Hidden Burden: Unveiling the Journey of Informal Carers in Hong Kong

Present by Dr. Sally Ka-wing Lo (Research Assistant Professor • School Social Sciences)

### Abstract:

In recent years, there has been increasing interest in informal family long-term caregiving as a key policy topic in Hong Kong. However, the availability of literature and statistics on caregivers in Hong Kong remains limited. In 2022, the Hong Kong Government released a highly anticipated commissioned report on caregivers of the elderly and persons with disabilities. The 2022 report presents an opportune moment to assess the perspectives of policy stakeholders and identify any existing research and policy gaps. This presentation utilises an archival policy review to examine existing carer policies and incorporates insights from caregivers and frontline workers. Drawing on data collected between 2018 and 2022, this presentation investigates the key issues associated with informal caregiving and offers valuable insights into potential directions for caregiver policies and services.

### Biography:

Dr Sally Ka-wing Lo is a Research Assistant Professor at the Felizberta Lo Padilla Tong School of Social Sciences, Caritas Institute of Higher Education. She is a Registered Social Worker (RSW) in Hong Kong and holds a PhD from Monash University, Australia. Dr. Lo's current research interests focus on care relationships, carer policies, ethics of care, and intergenerational family relations.

Dr Lo has worked at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the University of Hong Kong, and Monash University. She also has practical experience in primary schools and service units, focusing on family and children services. She has actively contributed to various projects, collaborating with both local and international organisations such as the Legislative Council, Women's Commission, Equal Opportunities Commission, the European Union, UNDP, and various NGOs. In recognition of her effort, Dr Lo has been awarded the United Nations Women Training Centre scholarship (2014), the Faculty of Arts International Postgraduate Research Scholarship (2015), and the Monash Graduate Scholarship (2015).



### Presentation Title: Social Rental Agency in Hong Kong

Present by Mr. LAI Kin Kwok (Senior Lecturer cum Programme Leader • School Social Sciences)

### Abstract:

Hong Kong is one of the East Asia cities, where housed over 127,500 households living in inadequate housing (Housing Bureau, 2023). Hong Kong SAR government launched various demand-side and supply-side measures to assist households living in poor environment. However, there are still large number of households their living deprived environment. The presentation will share the insufficiency of current measure and introduce social rental agency as one of the solutions to current challenges. Overseas and local experience on social rental agencies will be discussed.

### Biography:

Kin-kwok LAI is a Registered Social Worker and Senior Lecturer Felizberta Lo Padilla Tong School of Social Sciences. He had been the founding convener of the Hong Kong Subdivided Flats Concerning Platform since 2012, he is still the core member of the subdivided unit advocacy organization. He has established the ComHome Social Housing Platform which is the first social rental agency in Hong Kong aiming to assist the lower income households for adequate housing and aim for policy advocacy through service practice. In addition to housing and community issues, he also engages in fighting for ethnic minorities rights.

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