

DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
HKDSE Seminar for Geography Teachers and Students

Date: 7 October 2023 (Saturday)
Time: 9:00am - 12:30pm
Venue: LT1, Yasumoto International Academic Park (YIA), CUHK

Programme Rundown

9:00am – 9:40am Tour to Physical Geography Experimental Station (optional)

9:45am Admission of audience to YIA LTI

10:00am Introduction

10:15am – 11:15am **Seminar talk I** (in Cantonese)

Title:

The Greater Bay Area: From Concept to Reality

Speaker:

Prof. James J. Wang
Research Director, Bay Area Hong Kong Centre

Outline:

The Greater Bay Area (GBA) has been replacing the Pearl River Delta as a more frequently used term to describe activities that take place in relation to the region we live. This talk aims at providing a basic understanding about reasons the GBA was suggested, and a brief explanation on how this new regional concept has been used to reshape the relationships among 9 cities and 2 SARs by developing regional infrastructure such as intercity railways, and its implications for Hong Kong.

11:15am – 11:30am Break

11:30am – 12:30pm **Seminar talk II** (in Cantonese)

Title:

“Global Boiling” and Climate Emergency: Human Destiny at a Crossroads”

Speaker:

Prof. Yongqin David Chen
Professor, Department of Geography and Resource Management, CUHK
Master, Muse College, CUHK-Shenzhen
Professor, School of Humanities and Social Science, CUHK-Shenzhen

Outline:

In July this year the U.N. announced the arrival of the “Era of Global boiling”. The Oxford Word of the Year is climate emergency in 2019. Indeed, the alarm and urgency of climate change has become more and more pressing in recent years. This talk aims to seek and offer answers on the causes and trends of human-induced climate change, its impacts and how the international community should respond through mitigation and adaptation. Understanding these aspects of climate change will enable us to discuss about the risks, uncertainties and challenges the world is facing for the purpose of shedding lights on the future of human civilization.