

# Visiting Speaker Series 2019-20 Term 1 / Civil Society Salon

## The Coming of a Leaderless and Faceless Movement

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### ABOUT THE TALK

In summer 2019, millions of Hong Kong citizens took to the streets to protest against a proposed extradition bill that would allow the Hong Kong authorities to extradite its citizens to mainland China. How did Hong Kong citizens overcome a long period of movement abeyance since the Umbrella Movement in 2014 despite the continued absence of political opportunities and organizational resources? What are the similarities and differences of the anti-extradition bill movement in comparison with the global wave of connective actions and networked movements? Using data collected from 20 onsite surveys since June 9, this roundtable will unpack the characteristics of the anti-extradition movement and address these questions.



### ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Edmund W. Cheng is an associate professor in the Department of Public Policy at the City University of Hong Kong. His research interests include contentious politics, political sociology, public opinion, Hong Kong politics and Global China. He has recently co-edited *An Epoch of Social Movements* (Chinese University Press, 2018) and *The Umbrella Movement: Civil Resistance and Contentious Space in Hong Kong* (Amsterdam University Press, 2019) and published articles in *China Quarterly*, *China Journal*, *Political Studies* and *Social Movement Studies*.

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