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**Towards an Everyday Smart City: Digital Placemaking in Hong Kong**

The concept of the smart city is being widely researched and implemented by scholars and professionals from various disciplines, and has gained popularity in recent urban research. Many studies and initiatives emphasize technologies, take a top-down perspective, simplify the idea of smart cities to the notion of efficiency and treat ordinary city dwellers as passive data sources. Hence, this research takes human-centred everyday life perspective and incorporates sociological and humanistic notions of place to explore “everyday smart city.” Based on a multi-method research design that combines literature analysis, official websites and reports review, narrative city walks, and observation, this research investigates typologies of digital placemaking-led everyday smart city in Hong Kong and examines smart city's daily scenarios. It will also be relevant to policy makers, planners, and designers concerned with improving quality of life via the smart city approach.