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Market Pang Mapha, Mae Hong Son Province, Thailand.

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Judith Bopp is a postdoctoral researcher at the Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society (RCC) working on her DFG-funded project "Fostering the Health–Nutrition–Ecology Nexus: Organic Farming Practices and Household Resilience in Rural Thailand." One of her friend's great fears is that she will eat all of his vegetables when she is on his farm in Thailand, and she has cultivated secret skills as a vendor at farmers markets across Germany. She shares her trajectory with Mascha Gugganig, who is currently writing a habilitation tentatively titled "Humans–Food–Environments: Contributions to the Environmental Humanities from Science and Technology Studies and Sociocultural Anthropology" at the RCC. Mascha has fond memories of her mother working for Schaltkreis, the first Viennese organic supermarket offering home delivery back in the '80s. Judith's background in cultural geography and (eco)linguistics, and Mascha's training in sociocultural anthropology, and science and technology studies makes for an engaging conversation, which once again shows that agriculture is a crucial field deserving more attention in humanities and social-science research. (From the article)

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