CFPR Lunchtime Seminar Series 2017

Development Implications of Asia's Changing Demography

The Asian region has moved rapidly through the demographic transition since the 1970s, but demographic prospects are very different for East Asia (facing shrinking populations), South Asia (facing substantial further increases) and Southeast Asia (in between). Individual country situations vary enormously, both between and within these three broad regions. In addressing demographic-developmental interrelationships, the countries may best be grouped according to their current fertility levels, which are closely correlated with their levels of human development, their projected population increases, and where they stand in relation to the age structure changes contributing to the “demographic dividend”. In this presentation, the demographic prospects of different groupings of Asian countries will be discussed, the implications for their further development assessed, and policy implications addressed. How optimistic can we be about future prospects?

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All are Welcome! Light lunch will be served. Registration is required.
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