Asian demographic time bombs:
Population trends and the future of Asian societies

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Amidst the current flurry of interest in Asia, most commentators pay insufficient attention to the role that population change will play in the future of Asian societies. Yet we know population dynamics affect a wide range of developmental issues, including economic growth, social justice and environmental sustainability. The changing structure and composition of populations, as well as variation in size and rate of growth, impact on institutional arrangements and constrain policy choices.

Asia currently faces many varied demographic challenges. Some countries are on the cusp of realising the so-called demographic dividend, while others face new challenges associated with low fertility and population ageing. Meanwhile some countries in Asia are still tackling rapid population growth. Migration and rapid urbanisation are also major ongoing issues.

A range of questions needs to be studied and addressed: what do current demographic trends in Asia mean for the future? How should policymakers respond? What are the implications for Australia? A panel of distinguished academicians will discuss these questions and others in the first East Asia Forum Quarterly Public Forum.

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