

# **Economic Aspects of Population Aging in China and India**

## **Stanford University, Encina Hall**

### **Agenda**

#### **Thursday, 7 March 2013:**

Bechtel Conference Center, Encina Hall 1<sup>st</sup> floor

8:00 – 8:30: Reception and Breakfast

8:20 – 8:30: Welcome (David Bloom, Karen Eggleston)

*Morning session -- Healthy Aging*

*Chair: Karen Eggleston, Stanford University*

8:30 – 9:00: “Healthy Aging in Developing Countries: Comparing the Long Run Effects of Childhood Health in India and China”  
Speaker: Mark E. McGovern, Harvard University

9:00 – 9:10: Discussant: Grant Miller, Stanford University

9:10 – 9:30: Q&A

9:30 – 10:00: “Economic Impact of Population Aging in China and India”  
Speaker: Sang-Hyop Lee, University of Hawaii

10:00 – 10:10: Discussant: Feng Wang, Brookings-Tsinghua Center for Public Policy

10:10 – 10:30: Q&A

10:30 – 10:45: Coffee Break

10:45 – 11:15: “The Economic Burden of Noncommunicable Disease: Estimates and Projections for China and India”  
Speakers: David Bloom and Mark McGovern, Harvard University

11:15 – 11:25: Discussant: Andrew Mason, University of Hawaii, East-West Center

11:25– 11:45: Q&A

11:45 – 13:30: *Lunch and Panel Discussion*

12:00 – 13:30: “The Economics of Population Aging in China and India:  
A Roundtable Discussion”  
*Chair: David Bloom, Harvard University*

*Afternoon session – Economic development, aging and cognition*  
*Chair: David Bloom, Harvard University*

14:00 – 14:30: “Economic Development and Gender Inequality in Cognition: A  
Comparison of China and India, and of SAGE and the HRS sister  
studies”  
Speaker: David Weir, University of Michigan

14:30 – 14:40: Discussant: Anjini Kochar, Stanford University

14:40 – 15:00: Q&A

15:00 – 15:30: “Gender Differences in Cognition in China and Reasons for Change  
over Time: Evidence from CHARLS”  
Speaker: James P. Smith, RAND Corporation

15:30 – 15:40: Discussant: Kenneth Langa, University of Michigan

15:40 – 16:00: Q&A

16:00 – 16:15: Coffee Break

16:15 – 16:45: “Cross-State Diversion in Economic Development, Adult Height and  
Cognitive Functioning in India”  
Speaker: Jinkook Lee, RAND Corporation

16:45 – 16:55: Discussant: Shripad Tuljapurkar, Stanford University

16:55 – 17:15: Q&A

**Friday, 8 March 2013:**

Philippines Room, Encina Hall 3<sup>rd</sup> floor

*Economic circumstances of the elderly, public policy, and intergenerational support*

*Morning Chair: Karen Eggleston, Stanford University*

- 8:00 – 8:30: Breakfast
- 8:30 – 9:00: “The Nutritional Status of an Aging Indian Population in Relation to Changing Weather Patterns”  
Speaker: Kim Babiarz, Stanford University
- 9:00 – 9:10: Discussant: Jinkook Lee, RAND Corporation
- 9:10 – 9:30: Q&A
- 9:30 – 9:45: Morning Break
- 9:45 – 10:15: “Economic Boom, Population Aging and Policy Shift: What’s Ahead for China?”  
Speaker: Feng Wang, Brookings-Tsinghua Center for Public Policy
- 10:15 – 10:25: Discussant: Ronald Lee, University of California, Berkeley
- 10:25 – 10:45: Q&A
- 10:45 – 11:15: “The Economic Circumstances of Older Indians: Evidence from a Recent Pilot Survey”  
Speaker: Ajay Mahal, Monash University, Harvard University
- 11:15 – 11:25: Discussant: David Weir, University of Michigan
- 11:25 – 11:45: Q&A
- 11:45 – 12:45: Lunch

*Afternoon Chair: David Bloom, Harvard University*

- 12:45 – 13:15: “Should China Introduce a Basic Social Pension?”  
Speaker: Bei Lu, University of New South Wales
- 13:15 – 13:25: Discussant: Andrew Mason, University of Hawaii, East-West Center
- 13:25 – 13:45: Q&A
- 13:45 – 14:15: “How Does Elderly Health Impact Poverty? Evidence from India”  
Speaker: Indrani Gupta, Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi, India
- 14:15 – 14:25: Discussant: Ajay Mahal, Monash University, Harvard University
- 14:25 – 14:45: Q&A
- 14:45 – 15:00: Coffee Break
- 15:00 – 15:30: “The Economic Impact of Rural Pensions in China: Evidence from Intergenerational Transfers in Shandong Province”  
Speaker: Ang Sun, Renmin University
- 15:30 – 15:40: Discussant: Alfonso Sousa-Poza, University of Hohenheim
- 15:40 – 16:00: Q&A
- 16:00 - 16:30: “Intergenerational Co-residence and Schooling”  
Speaker: Anjini Kochar, Stanford University
- 16:30 – 16:40: Discussant:
- 16:40 – 17:00: Q&A
- 17:00 – 17:15: Conference conclusion (David Bloom, Karen Eggleston)

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