



Launch of Inaugural ADBI Book Series Entry: *COVID-19 Impacts and Policy Options: An Asian Perspective*

14 October 2021, 10:00-11:00am, Tokyo (virtual)

This webinar will highlight key takeaways from the new book *COVID-19 Impacts and Policy Options: An Asian Perspective*, to be discussed by the co-editors and a panel of contributors to the book. Marking the inaugural book entry into the ADBI Series on Asian and Pacific Sustainable Development, the webinar will assess the pandemic's impacts on the macroeconomy and firms and households in the region, its wider effects on digitalization, and the implications for post-pandemic economic recovery.

Agenda

10:00-10:05	Opening Remarks Tetsushi Sonobe (Dean, ADBI)
10:05-10:10	Introduction to ADBI Series on Asian and Pacific Sustainable Development Rohini Pande (Professor of Economics and Director, Economic Growth Center, Yale University; and co-editor, ADBI book series)
10:10-10:15	Overview of <i>COVID-19 Impacts and Policy Implications: An Asian Perspective</i> John Beirne (Research Fellow, ADBI)
10:15-10:25	"COVID-19: The Impact on the Economy and Policy Responses - A Review" Hanming Fang (Professor of Economics, University of Pennsylvania and Dean, School of Entrepreneurship and Management, ShanghaiTech University)
10:25-10:35	"Macroeconomic Impact of COVID-19 in Developing Asia" Yasuyuki Sawada (Professor of Economics, University of Tokyo and former Chief Economist of Asian Development Bank)
10:35-10:45	"Building Forward Better: Enhancing the Resilience of Asia and Pacific Economies in a Post-COVID-19 World" Sweta Saxena (Chief, Macroeconomic Policy and Analysis, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific)
10:45-11:00	Question and Answer Session Moderated by Peter J. Morgan (Senior Consulting Economist and Vice-Chair of Research, ADBI)

Attendance is free but registration is required. Please register here:

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