



Elderly Care System Development Forum

- A Case Study of Yichang City and International Experience Exchange

Background

Asia and the Pacific are aging rapidly. In 2022, the region's population aged 65 and older is around 373 million (UNFPA, 2022), while it is projected that by 2050 it will increase to 954 million (UN, 2019). In many countries, aging is occurring faster than increases in per capita income, resulting in major implications for the welfare of older adults and significant social-economic challenges. The People's Republic of China (PRC) is one such country, with the largest older population globally, aging at fast pace. The proportion of people aged 60 and above is expected to increase from 18.7% in 2020 to 35.0% by 2050. Rapid urbanization and the previous one-child policy have weakened the traditional family support systems. Over the past two decades, the PRC has prioritized developing comprehensive elderly care systems to address these challenges.

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has supported the PRC's elderly care system development through structural and non-structural interventions. In Yichang City, Hubei province, ADB has provided one KSTA and two loan projects since 2014 to support strategic planning, elderly and geriatric care facilities construction and operation, human resource development, institutional strengthening, and capacity building. A great amount of operational knowledge and lessons have been harvested from the long-term partnership, including innovative practices such as public-private partnerships. A strong demonstration effect of the partnership is observed as Yichang was listed the first batch of National Key Contact Cities for actively responding to aging population.¹

ADB and the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) will jointly host an online international forum on elderly care system development to encourage dialogue, knowledge exchange from policy and specific program implementation, and discussion of future opportunities and challenges. The conference will consist of several keynote speeches, a case study of Yichang City, a south-south knowledge sharing workshop and thematic workshops attended by high-profile speakers, sharing international practices. Technical support to the program comes from the ADB-PRC Regional Knowledge Sharing Initiative, the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Institute, the Asia-Pacific Finance and Development Institute, the Chinese University of Hong Kong-Shenzhen, the Harvard Social Technology for Global Aging Research Initiative, and the Social Technology Innovation Center for Aging of Jiangsu Industrial Technology Research Institute.

The objectives of this forum are to:

- (i) enhance knowledge exchange from ADB's elderly care projects for possible replication of innovative practices, particularly a detailed case study of ADB and YMG's long-term partnership in elderly-care system development.
- (ii) strengthen capacity of ADB developing member countries to better plan, design, implement, and monitor programs for elderly care system development and other aging strategic plans.
- (iii) trigger dialogue and develop future partnerships on elderly care and adaptation to an aging demographic.

¹ In July 2022, National Development and Reform Committee, Ministry of Civil Affairs and National Health committee of PRC announced first batch of National Key Contact Cities, whose role is to explore innovations in EC service system, operational model, supporting elements, age-friendly environment, institutional mechanism which can be replicated nationwide.

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Agenda

Day 1		
Opening, Keynote Speeches and Yichang Case Study - Part A		
09:00-09:10	Introduction/Technical Guidance/Photo Session: Ms. Yao Yixin, Senior Research Fellow, ADBI	
Opening and Keynote Speeches		Moderator: Mr. Zhang Hao, Deputy Country Director, PRCM, ADB
09:10-09:25	Opening Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Tetsushi Sonobe, Dean and CEO, ADBI • Mr. Lu Jin, Deputy Director General, Department of International Economic and Financial Cooperation, Ministry of Finance, PRC • Ms. Teresa Kho, Director General, East Asia Regional Department (EARD), ADB
09:25-09:45	Keynote Speech 1	Aging Trends and Implications in the Asian-Pacific region and the PRC Speaker: Mr. Albert Park, Chief Economist and Director General, Economic Research and Regional Cooperation Department (ERCD), ADB
09:45-09:55	Q&A	
09:55-10:10	Keynote Speech 2	Social Technology: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Improving Care for Older Adults Speaker: Mr. Arthur Kleinman, Professor of Global Health and Social Medicine and Psychiatry and Rabb / Professor of Anthropology, Harvard University
10:10-10:20	Q&A	
10:20-10:40	Keynote Speech 3	Review and Enlightenment of PRC's Elderly Care Policy in 10 years Speaker: Mr. Wu Yushao, Professor and Vice President, Research Institute on Aging, Fudan University
10:40-10:50	Q&A	
10:50-11:00	Video	The ADB - Yichang Municipal Government's (YMG's) Partnership in Elderly Care System Development
11:00-11:15	Keynote Speech 4	Elderly Care Service System Development in Yichang Speaker: Mr. Yang Qingshan, Director, Yichang Civil Affairs Bureau
11:15-11:25	Q&A	
11:25-11:40	Keynote Speech 5	Overview of the ADB - YMG's Partnership in Elderly Care System Development Speaker: Mr. Asif Cheema, Director, Urban and Social Sectors Division(EASS), EARD, ADB
11:40-11:50	Q&A	
11:50-12:00	Wrap up	
12:00-14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00-14:10	Introduction/Technical Guidance/Photo Session: Ms. Yao Yixin, Senior Research Fellow, ADBI	
	Session 1	Topic: Yichang Case Study in Elderly Care System Strategic Planning and Institutional Capacity Development Moderator: Ms. Wendy Walker, Chief of Social Development Thematic Group, Sustainable Development and Climate Change Department (SDCC), ADB
14:10-14:30	Presentation 1.1	Yichang Long-Term Care Services Strategic Plan Speaker: Mr. Xu Yuebin, Professor, School of Social Development and Public Policy, Beijing Normal University
14:30-14:50	Presentation 1.2	Yichang Experience Replicated in ADB Developing Member Countries under RETA: 9111 Speaker: Ms. Meredith Wyse, Senior Social Development Specialist (Elderly Care), SDCC, ADB
14:50-15:10	Presentation 1.3	Institutional Strengthening and Capacity Development under Yichang Elderly Care Projects Speaker: Mr. Zhang Aiping, Deputy Director, Yichang Finance Bureau
15:10-15:15	Video	Interview with Project Management Office Staffs



15:15-15:45	Panel Discussion	Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• RETA- Country Representatives(TBC)• Mr. Perter Chan, Elderly Care International Consultant, SDCC, ADB,• Ms. Li Wanbing, Project Manager, Foreign Loan Project Management Office, Wuzhou DRC, Guangxi• Ms. Xu Wei, Director, Hebei Province Governmental Foreign-funded Project Execution Center(HPMO), Hebei Provincial Department of Finance
15:45-15:55	Q&A	
15:55-16:00	Wrap up	

Day 2		
Yichang Case Study-Part B and South-south Knowledge Sharing Workshop		
09:00-09:10	Introduction/Technical Guidance/Photo Session: Ms. Bai Jie, Urban Development Specialist, EARD, ADB	
	Session 2	Topic: Yichang Case Study in Elderly Care Human Resource Development and Facility Design Moderator: Ms. Bai Jie, Urban Development Specialist, EARD, ADB
09:10-09:30	Presentation 2.1	Elderly Care Human Resources Development in Hubei Three Gorges Polytechnic Speaker: Mr. Shen Shuhong, Dean of Medical College, Hubei Three Gorges Polytechnic
09:30-09:35	Video	Hubei Three Gorges Polytechnic Elder Care Training Program
09:35-09:55	Presentation 2.2	Design Practice and Exploration of Yichang Elderly Care Project Speaker: Ms. Zhao Xiaozheng, Vice chairman of Standardization Committee of Chinese Society of Gerontology and Geriatrics
09:55-10:25	Panel Discussion	Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Sofia Shakil, Director, Economic Program, The Asia Foundation • Mr. Qi Weixin, Director, Health and Elderly Care Talent Training Center, Yanshan University • Mr. Wang Xiaolong, General Manager, Beijing CunCao Care Management Consulting Company Limited • Ms. Zhou Yanmin, Professor, School of Architecture, Tsinghua University • Mr. Robert Wong, Chief Operating Officer, Premedgo Healthcare Technologies Limited • Ms. Zhang Aiping, Director, Public Service Department and Clinical Nursing Teaching and Research Department, The First Hospital of China Medical University
10:25-10:35	Q&A	
	Session 3	Topic: Yichang Case Study in Elderly Care PPP Moderator: Ms. Rosemary Ong, Senior PPP Specialist, Office of Public Private Partnership (OPPP), ADB
10:35-10:55	Presentation 3.1	Experiences and Lessons for Design and Implementation of PPP Transaction in Yichang Speaker: Mr. Shi Hang, Director, Financial Advisory, Deloitte & Touche Financial Advisory Services Limited
10:55-11:15	Panel Discussion	Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Srinivas Sampath, Urban Development and Water Division, Southeast Asia Department (SERD), ADB • Ms. Yan Yan, Division Director, Foreign Capital Utilization and Overseas Investment Division, Guangxi Development and Reform Commission • Ms. Chen Sisi, Vice Director, Hubei Xiangyang Project Management Office of Projects Utilizing Foreign Loans • Mr. Huang Guihua, Chairman, Jiangsu Yuehua Aged Care Group Limited
11:15-11:25	Q&A	
11:25-11:30	Wrap up	
11:30-14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00-14:10	Introduction/Technical Guidance/Photo Session/Moderator: Ms. Yao Yixin, Senior Research Fellow, ADBI	
	South-south Knowledge Sharing Workshop Moderator: Ms. Akiko Terada-Hagiwara, Principal Country Specialist, PRCM, EARD, ADB	
14:10-14:20	Videos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yichang Elderly Care Projects Experience by ADB • Virtual Study Tour
14:20-14:30	Presentation	Overview of PRC's Elderly Care Projects and Summary of the Yichang Case Study Speaker: Ms. Bai Jie, Urban Development Specialist, EARD, ADB

14:30-14:40	Presentation	Innovative Features of the World Bank’s Aged Care Lending Operation in China Speaker: Mr. Wang Dewen, Senior Social Protection Economist, Social Protection and Jobs Practice, The World Bank
14:40-15:20	Panel Discussion	Elderly Care Policy and Planning Development Panelists (TBC)
15:20-16:00	Panel Discussion	Resourcing Elderly Care (Financing, Human Resources etc) Panelists (TBC)
16:00-16:40	Panel Discussion	Innovations in Elderly Care (Social, Technological, Models of Elderly Care (Rural/Urban), Partnerships, Governance, Age Friendly Environments etc) Panelists (TBC)
16:40-16:50	Wrap Up	

Day 3		
Thematic Workshops on the Future Challenges and Solutions for the Elderly Care System Development		
09:00-09:10	Introduction/Technical Guidance/Photo Session/Moderator: Ms. Yao Yixin, Senior Research Fellow, ADBI	
09:10-09:25	Keynote Speech 6	Elderly Care Services Challenges and Policy Trends of PRC Speaker: Mr. Cheng Haijun, Professor, Administrative Cadre Institute of the Ministry of Civil Affairs
09:25-09:35	Q&A	
	Session 4	Topic: Aging as an Economy Engine Moderator: Ms. Yao Yixin, Senior Research Fellow, ADBI
09:35-09:50	Presentation 4.1	Kanagawa's "Healthcare New Frontier" Policy to Overcome the Challenges of Super Ageing Society Speaker: Mr. Hiroyuki Matsumoto, Associate Director/Group Leader, Policy Bureau, Kanagawa Prefecture, Japan
09:50-10:05	Presentation 4.2	Labor Participation of the Elderly and the Public Pension System Speaker: Mr. Wataru Kobayashi, Professor, Faculty of Policy Informatics, Chiba University of Commerce
10:05-10:20	Presentation 4.3	Empowering Productive Aging in Rapidly Aging Societies: Lessons Learned from the Age-Friendly City Project of Hong Kong Speaker: Mr. Terry Lum, Professor, Department of Social Work and Social Administration, The University of Hong Kong
10:20-10:35	Presentation 4.4	Shenzhen's Exploration of "Silver Economy" Geared by Smart Elderly Care Speaker: Mr. Ni Chidan, Doctor, Dean of Shenzhen Institute of Health and Elderly Care
10:35-10:45	Open Discussion	
10:45-10:55	Q&A	
	Session 5:	Topic: Bridge Financing Gaps for Aging Moderator: Ms. Fan Xiaoqin, Director, Public Management, Financial Sector and Regional Cooperation Division (EAPF), EARD, ADB
10:55-11:05	Presentation 5.1	Long-Term Care Insurance Pilot Experiences in PRC Speaker: Mr. Yu Baorong, Professor, School of Insurance, University of International Business & Economics, Beijing, PRC.
11:05-11:15	Presentation 5.2	Korean Experience of Long-Term Care Insurance Speaker: Ms. Hongsoo Kim, Professor, Graduate School of Public Health, Seoul National University, Republic of Korea (ROK)
11:15-11:30	Presentation 5.3	Lessons from the Development of Long-Term Care Insurance in Japan Speaker: Mr. Taichi Ono, Professor, Healthcare Policy Concentration, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies, Japan
11:30-11:45	Presentation 5.4	Sustainable Financing for Long-Term Care: What Can We Learn from International Experiences Speaker: Mr. Wang Dewen, Senior Social Protection Economist, Social Protection and Jobs Practice, The World Bank
11:45-11:55	Open Discussion	
11:55-12:00	Q&A	
12:00-14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00-14:10	Introduction/Technical Guidance/Photo Session: Ms. Bai Jie, Urban Development Specialist, EARD, ADB	
	Session 6:	Topic: Technology Boosting Age-friendly Cities Moderators: Mr. Pan Tianshu, Professor, Institute of Anthropological Ethnological Studies, Fudan University, Fudan University

14:10-14:25	Presentation 6.1	The Exploration and Practice of Social & Technology Innovation for Aging Speaker: Ms. Jin Jing, CEO of Social & Technology Innovation Center for Aging of Jiangsu Industrial Technology Research Institute
14:25-14:40	Presentation 6.2	Netherland Experience: How the System and Policy Stimulate Innovation in Elderly Care Models, Technology, and Products Speaker: Mr. Nico Schiettekatte, Counselor for Health, Welfare & Sport, Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in PRC
14:40-14:55	Presentation 6.3	Strategies to Close the Digital Gap for the Elderly Speaker: Mr. Chen Hongtu, Research Scientist, Psychiatry, Mass General Brigham Hospital
14:55-15:10	Presentation 6.4	Thailand Experience: Public Policies and Innovation to Promote Active and Productive Ageing Speaker: Mr. Phusit Prakongsai, Medical Lecturer, Department of Community Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Ramathibodi Hospital
15:10-15:20	Open Discussion	
15:20-15:30	Q&A	
	Session 7:	Topic: Expanding Quality Elderly Care Services Moderator: Mr. Qaisar Abbas, Chief, Research Division, Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) Institute
15:30-15:45	Presentation 7.1	Emerging Hospice Care Need in PRC Speaker: Mr. Jing Jun, Director, Research Center for Medical Sociology, Tsinghua University
15:45-16:00	Presentation 7.2	Advance Directive is a Key Component of High-Quality Elderly Care Speaker: Mr. He Zongke, Doctor, Senior Nurse Specialist, University of North Carolina Hospital
16:00-16:15	Presentation 7.3	International Experience on Strengthening Early Screening and Intervention of Dementia (TBC) Speaker: Ms. Sue Levkoff, ScD, Professor, College of Social Work University of South Carolina
16:15-16:30	Presentation 7.4	Civil Society's Participation in Elderly Care Service Provision Speaker: Mr. Deng Xueyi, Secretary General, Shaanxi Ageing Development Foundation
16:30-16:40	Open Discussion	
16:40-16:50	Q&A	
	Concluding Remarks	
16:50-17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Safdar Parvez, Advisor, EARD, ADB • Mr. Dil Rahut, Vice-Chair of Research, Senior Research Fellow, ADBI 	