



Poverty in Asia: a deeper look

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Based on *Key Indicators 2014*, a flagship publication of the Asian Development Bank, this presentation argues that conventional wisdom on poverty measurement fails to consider significant challenges of food insecurity, increasing inequality and rising vulnerability. Once these additional elements are brought in, the hope for an Asia free of poverty by 2020 looks unlikely. Instead, it is more likely poverty will remain prevalent in Asia beyond even 2030.

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Trained in development economics and econometrics, Dr Wan is an award-winning scholar on the Chinese economy and an expert on Asia, with an outstanding publication record of more than 100 professional articles and a dozen books including two by Oxford University Press. An honorary professor of over ten top institutions in China including Fudan and Zhejiang Universities, Dr Wan is among the top eight per cent economists globally and top four per cent in Asia according to the latest ranking of REPEC.

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