

# Seventh Asian and Pacific Population Conference

(Bangkok, Thailand, 15-17 November 2023)

**Side event: ICPD Programme of Action at 30: Perspectives from the world's  
regions**

57<sup>th</sup> session of the Commission on Population and Development

1 May 2024

13:15 – 14:30, EST, UNHQ, CR-12



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# Milestones related to the 7<sup>th</sup> APPC (mandate: ESCAP resolution 74 (XXIII) of 17 April 1967)

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75-year Universal Declaration of Human Rights



60-year review since the first APPC



30-year review of the PoA of the ICPD



10-year review since the adoption of the 2013 Asian and Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Population and Development



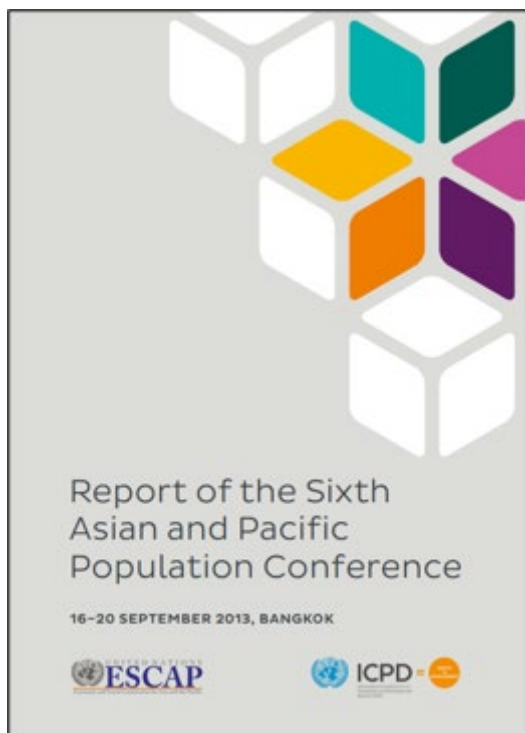
Mid-term review of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

# Facts and figures: 7<sup>th</sup> APPC



<b>Mandate</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ESCAP resolution 74 (XXIII) of 17 April 1967</li> </ul>
<b>Objective</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of the ICPD PoA and the 2013 Asian and Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Population and Development</li> </ul>
<b>CSOs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 stakeholder consultations prior to the 7th APPC</li> <li>• 1 CSO + 1 Youth Forum =&gt; Collective CSO and Youth statement</li> </ul>
<b>MS survey</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 33 ESCAP member States' surveys</li> </ul>
<b>Documentation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 parliamentary papers + 5 information papers</li> </ul>
<b>Participants</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 43 ESCAP member States (+ associate member States)</li> <li>• 90 stakeholder organizations + 140 stakeholder representatives</li> </ul>
<b>Bureau</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thailand (Chair) + vice-Chairs (Philippines + Tuvalu)</li> </ul>
<b>Outcome</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member States reaffirmed their commitment to the ICPD PoA</li> <li>• Regional intergovernmental review meeting of the implementation of the ICPD PoA and the 2013 Asian and Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Population and Development in 2028</li> </ul>
<b>Summary</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asia-Pacific Population and Development Report 2023</li> </ul>

# Asia and Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Population and Development



1 Poverty eradication and employment

2 Health

3 Sexual and reproductive health, services and rights

4 Education

5 Gender equality and women's empowerment

6 Adolescents and young people

7 Ageing

8 International migration

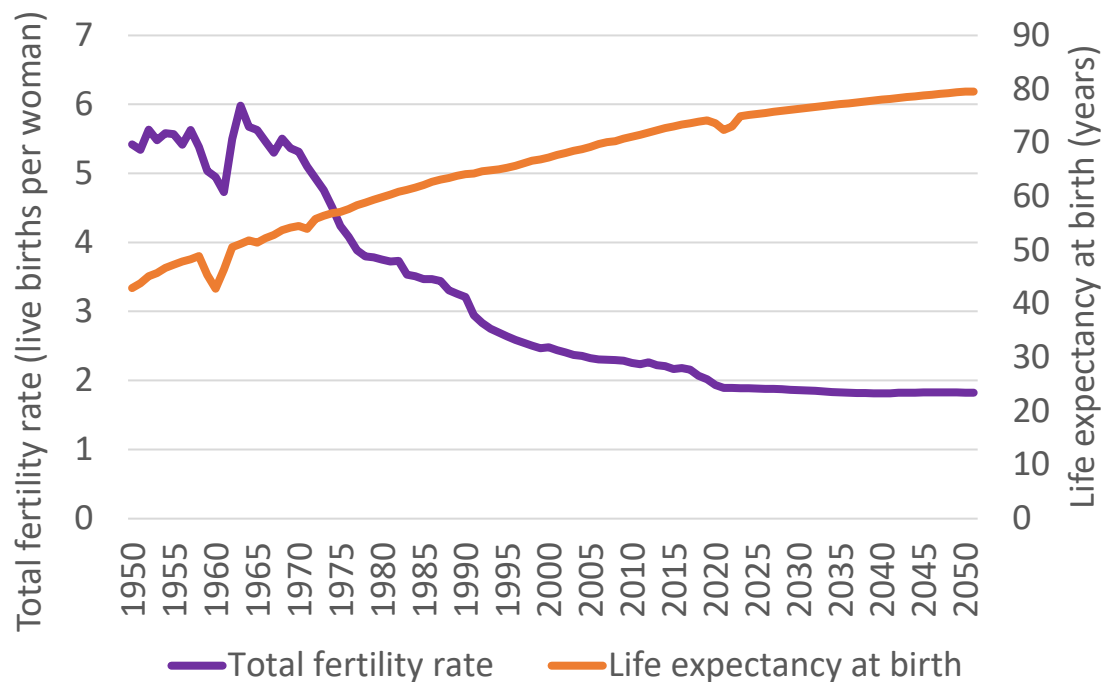
9 Urbanization and internal migration

10 Population and sustainable development

11 Data and statistics

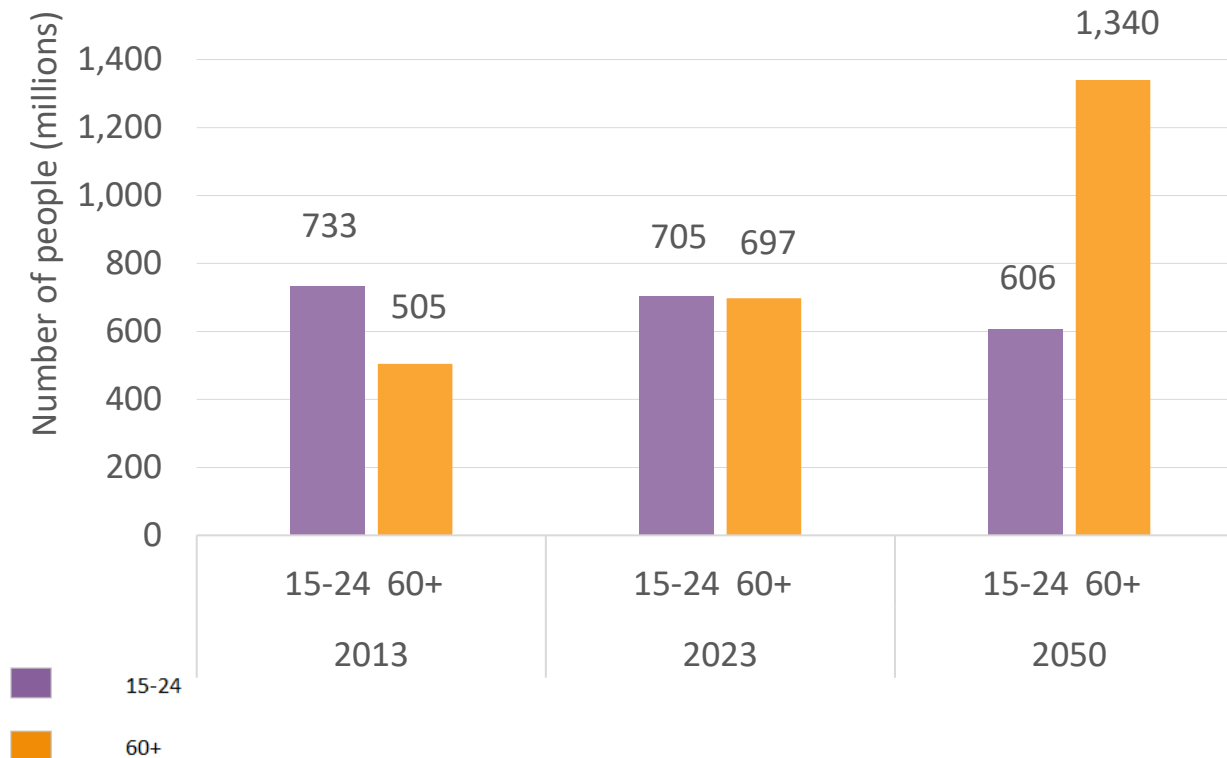
# Overall demographic context – demographic transition

Total fertility rate and life expectancy at birth in Asia and the Pacific, 1950–2050



Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2022). World Population Prospects 2022, Online Edition.

Youth population (15-24) and older adult population (60+), in Asia and the Pacific, 2013, 2023 and 2050



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# Challenges ahead

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

- Impacts between climate change and population (SDG13)
- Urban/rural divide (SDG11)
- Lack of social protection (SDG1)

## GENDER

- Discrimination, violence, harmful practices (SDG5)
- Access to SRHR services (SDG5)
- Unpaid care (SDG5)

## HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

- Lack of UHC and long-term care (SDG3)
- Access to SRHR services (SDG5)
- High maternal mortality (SDG3)
- Unmet needs for family planning (SDG5)

## EQUALITY AND INCLUSION

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## MIGRATION

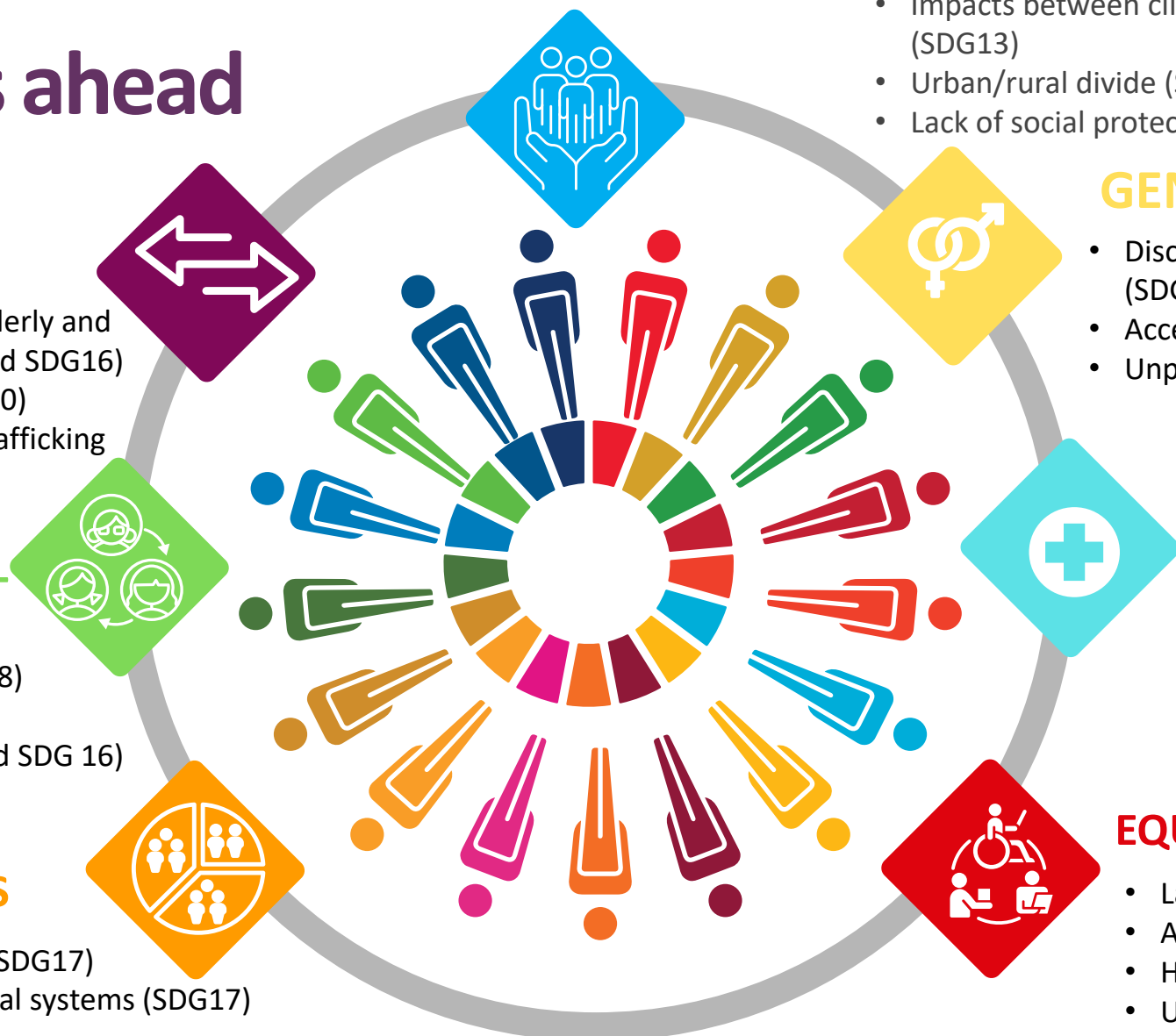
- Lack of pathway for safe, orderly and regular migration (SDG10 and SDG16)
- High remittance costs (SDG10)
- Forced labour and human trafficking (SDG8)

## INTERGENERATIONAL SOLIDARITY

- Youth unemployment (SDG8)
- Future of work (SDG8)
- Digital inclusion (SDG10 and SDG 16)

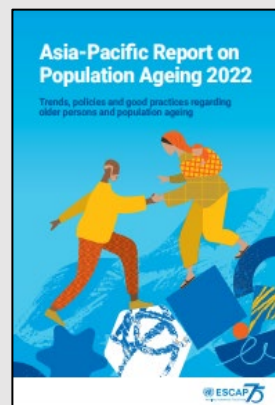
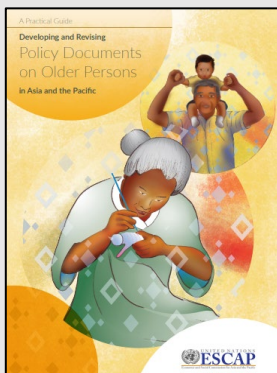
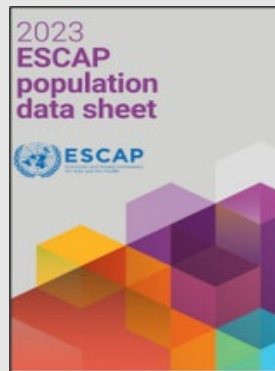
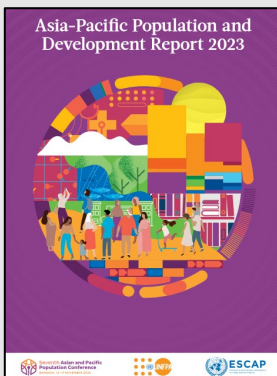
## DATA AND STATISTICS

- Lack of disaggregated data (SDG17)
- Capacity of national statistical systems (SDG17)



# Our response

## Knowledge products



## Tools

Policy dashboard on population ageing: <https://www.population-trends-asiapacific.org/policies>



E-learning courses: <https://e-learning.unescap.org/thematicarea>



## Capacity-building



# Thank you

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