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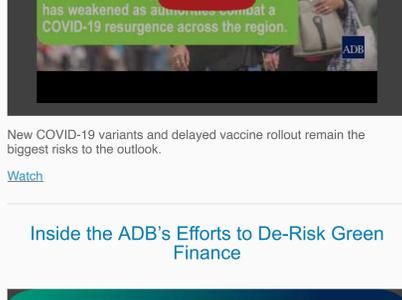
How Southeast Asia Can Prepare for Jobs of the Future



Arming the workforce with Fourth Industrial Revolution skills is key.

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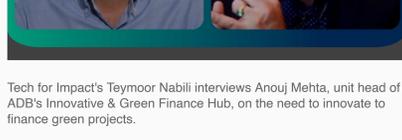
ADB Cuts Economic Outlook for Southeast Asia to 4.0% in 2021



New COVID-19 variants and delayed vaccine rollout remain the biggest risks to the outlook.

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Inside the ADB's Efforts to De-Risk Green Finance



Tech for Impact's Teymoor Nabili interviews Anouj Mehta, unit head of ADB's Innovative & Green Finance Hub, on the need to innovate to finance green projects.

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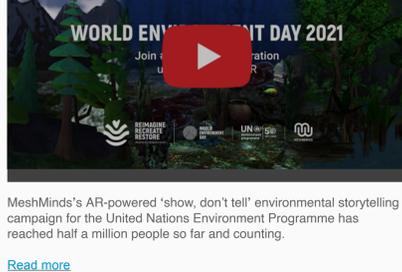
Asia Pacific Can Still Be Carbon-Neutral by 2050, but Much Needs to Be Done



The region needs to avoid fossil fuels, switch to low-carbon fuels, deploy more renewable energy projects, and improve energy efficiency, among others.

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Augmented Reality Shows the Effects of Human-Caused Degradation of the Environment in India, Thailand, and the Philippines



MeshMinds's AR-powered 'show, don't tell' environmental storytelling campaign for the United Nations Environment Programme has reached half a million people so far and counting.

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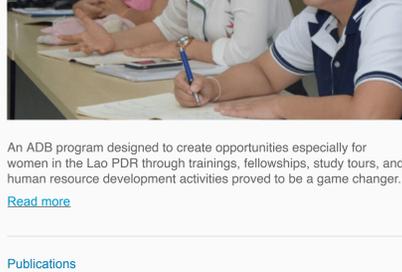
4 Ways Governments Can Benefit from Cloud Computing



With its potential to save billions for governments, moving public services to the cloud is one way for countries to digitally transform.

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Empowering Women in Public Service in Lao PDR

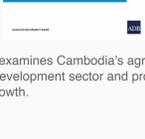


An ADB program designed to create opportunities especially for women in the Lao PDR through trainings, fellowships, study tours, and human resource development activities proved to be a game changer.

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Publications

Cambodia Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Rural Development Sector Assessment, Strategy, and Road Map



This report from ADB examines Cambodia's agriculture, natural resources, and rural development sector and provides a strategy and road map for future growth.

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One Year of Living with COVID-19: An Assessment of How ADB Members Fought the Pandemic in 2020



This report examines how ADB member countries responded to the COVID-19 pandemic and the measures they took to support their economies.

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The Carbon Reduction Opportunity of Moving to the Cloud for APAC



This report from 451 Research and the AWS Institute calculates the benefit of moving workloads to the cloud.

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COVID-19 Tourism Recovery in the ASEAN and East Asia Region: Asymmetric Patterns and Implications



This paper from ERIA projects the tourism flows and revenues for Southeast Asian and East Asian countries for the first 12 months after the COVID-19 pandemic ends.

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A 'She-Session'? The Impact of COVID-19 on the Labour Market in Thailand



This report from ERIA studies the impact of COVID-19 on different demographic groups in the Thai labor market.

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Events

Learnings for Economics and Policy Analysis (LEAP) Series

LEAP features online presentations on topics to strengthen economic and policy analysis skills of staff in preparing research and project documents. The aim is to encourage discussions among the participants on the latest developments and sharing of country experiences and perspectives.

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What: COVID-19, nonperforming loans, and cross-border bank lending
When: 28 July 2021, 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm (Manila time) via MS Teams

A severe economic downturn brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, combined with high debt levels globally, raises the specter of mounting nonperforming loans (NPLs) in global banking systems. Cyn-Young Park will discuss a paper that investigates how international banks respond to a rise in NPLs of their own and emerging market borrowers; and how these reactions change depending on their perceived risk exposures and risk management practices (such as the share of US dollars in their balance sheet liabilities).

Find out how COVID-19 has affected banks. In this webinar from the Asian Development Bank (ADB), Cyn-Young Park, director, Regional Cooperation and Integration Division, Economic Research and Regional Cooperation Department, ADB, will discuss a paper on how international banks respond to a rise in their nonperforming loans and those of emerging market borrowers. Happening today, Manila time at 4:00 p.m.

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IVI 20th International Vaccinology Course September 06-10, 2021

Virtual training course

Date & Time
Sept 06 15:00-18:20 KST
Sept 07 15:00-17:05 KST
Sept 08 15:00-17:05 KST
Sept 09 15:00-17:05 KST
Sept 10 15:00-17:10 KST

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The International Vaccine Institute's (IVI) International Vaccinology Course is one of the longest running vaccinology courses in the Asia-Pacific region. The course will give a comprehensive overview of vaccinology, with a focus on COVID-19. It will feature lectures from experts across global health and vaccine organizations, including the World Health Organization, Gavi, Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations, US National Institute of Health, National Vaccine Institute Thailand, Wellcome Trust, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, Harvard University, IVI, and many more.

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