







Japan's Misguided Policy Approach to "Solving" the Issue of Low Fertility

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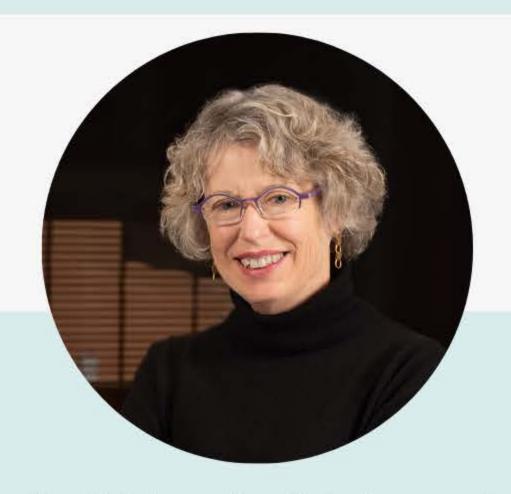
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The Japanese government has passed a series of policies in the past few decades to address the country's low birth rate. Despite these attempts, the birth rate has changed very little. Why have the policies met with so little success? Moreover, why has Japan continued to exhibit one of the highest levels of gender inequality among postindustrial societies? In this talk, I address these questions and suggest alternative policy options.

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