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# Televised forum: Aid in the Asia Pacific. Who needs it? Who pays?

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With the rise and expansion of the middle class through the Asia Pacific, and the changing face of poverty, what does this mean for the distribution of aid in this region? Who needs the aid? And who's going to keep paying for it?

Virginia Haussegger, an award winning journalist and presenter of the 7pm ABC Canberra News, moderated a one-hour discussion on the future of aid in the Asia-Pacific that will be broadcast on **Saturday 6th July** at 2:30pm on ABCNews24. The program will repeat on Monday 8th July on ABCNews24 at 5.30am. You can also watch it online any time on ABC's <u>Big Ideas website</u>.

This panel discussion features Professor Stephen Howes from the Development Policy Centre; Dr Jimmy Rodgers from the Secretariat of the Pacific Community; Dr Alison Evans from the Overseas Development Institute in London; Kazu Sakai from the Asian Development Bank; and Dr Eun Mee Kim from the Ewha Women's University in Seoul.

This event was part of <u>The Future of International Development in Asia and the Pacific Conference</u>, jointly hosted by The University of Melbourne, Lowy Institute, The Asia Foundation and ANU's Development Policy Centre and HC Coombs Policy Forum in Melbourne, from 9-10 May 2013.

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