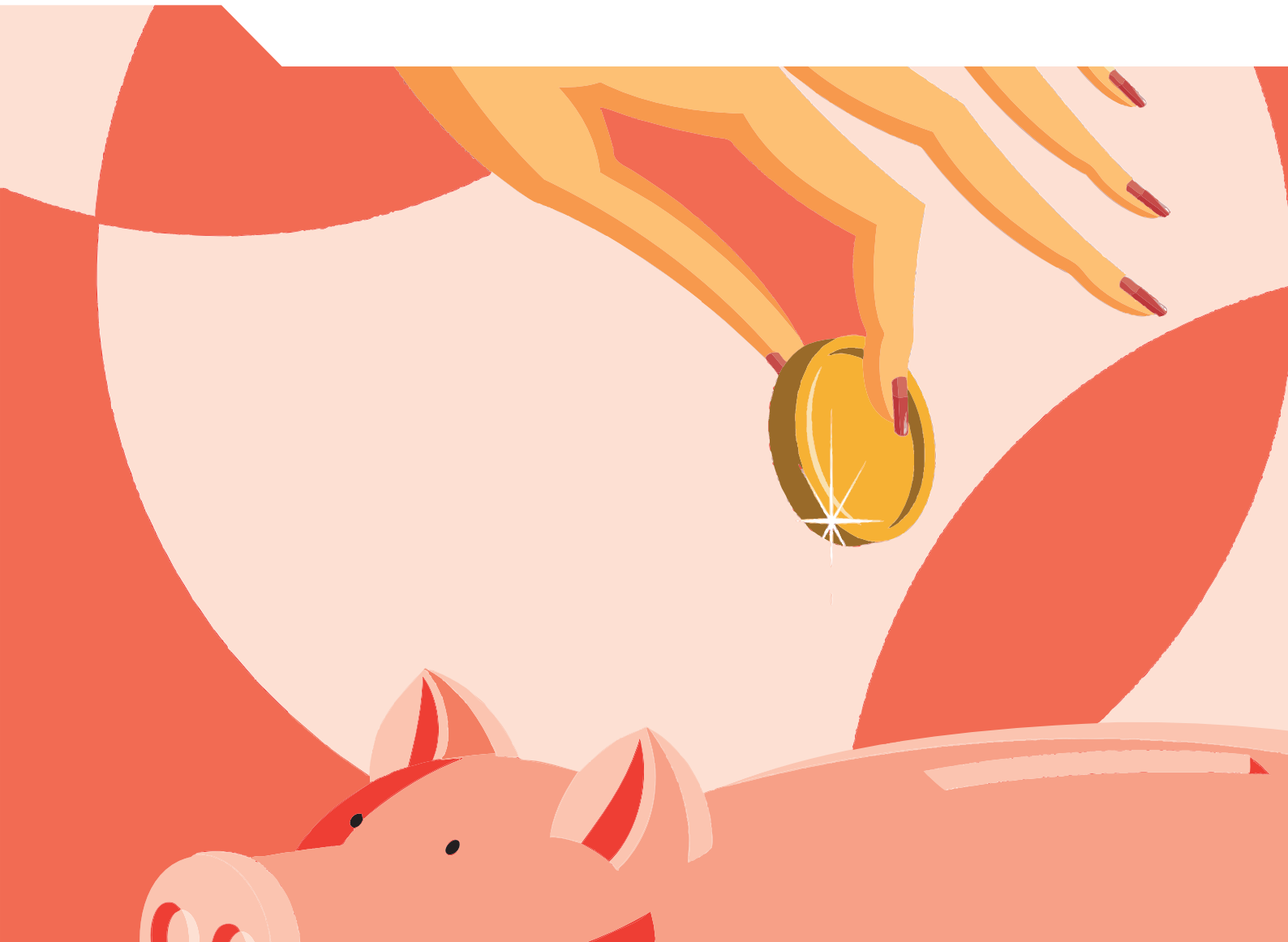




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Foreword

Accurate presentation of pension systems of an economy and the comparison of systems across economies are crucial parts of policy analysis. Yet such presentations and comparisons are far from easy. They require a well thought-out methodology, access to detailed information on national systems, verification of information and results by a network of pension experts to provide feedback to improve the quality and applicability of the research over time.

This study presents a range of indicators to enable comparisons between the pension systems of economies in the Asia/Pacific region. It also includes data for key countries that are members of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). It builds on the first *Pensions at a Glance: Asia/Pacific* which was also a joint project between the World Bank and the OECD, along with the OECD/Government of Korea Research Centre on Health and Social Policies (RCHSP) and updates the 2011 edition.

The report was drafted by Andrew Reilly of the Social Policy Division of the OECD Secretariat.

For this third report we are again indebted to the national experts who have contributed to the updating of the models used, many of whom also assisted with the first two publications. They are too numerous to mention here but details of attendees to the annual pension meetings in Seoul can be found on the Korea Centre website www.oecdkorea.org/social/board/list_eng.asp?BoardCd=5011. We are also indebted to the Korea Centre for all their assistance in organising the annual meetings and for coordinating contacts with national experts.

The pension models use the APEX (Analysis of Pension Entitlements across Countries) infrastructure originally developed by Axia Economics, with the help of funding from the OECD and the World Bank.



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