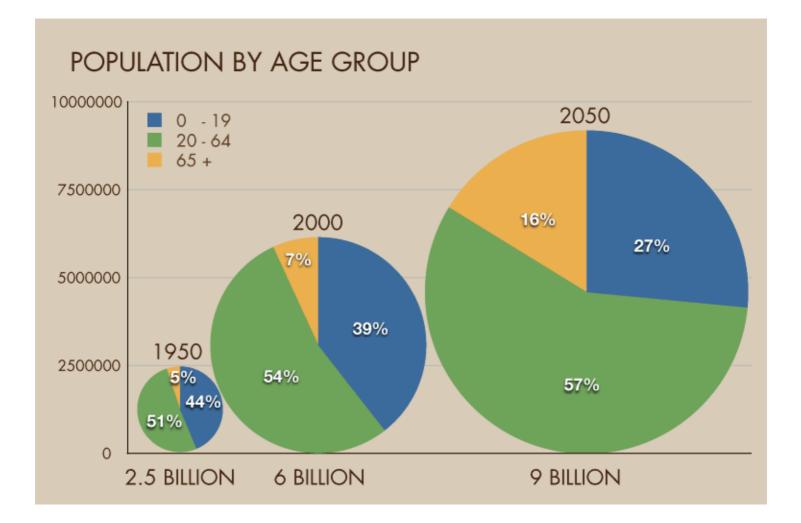


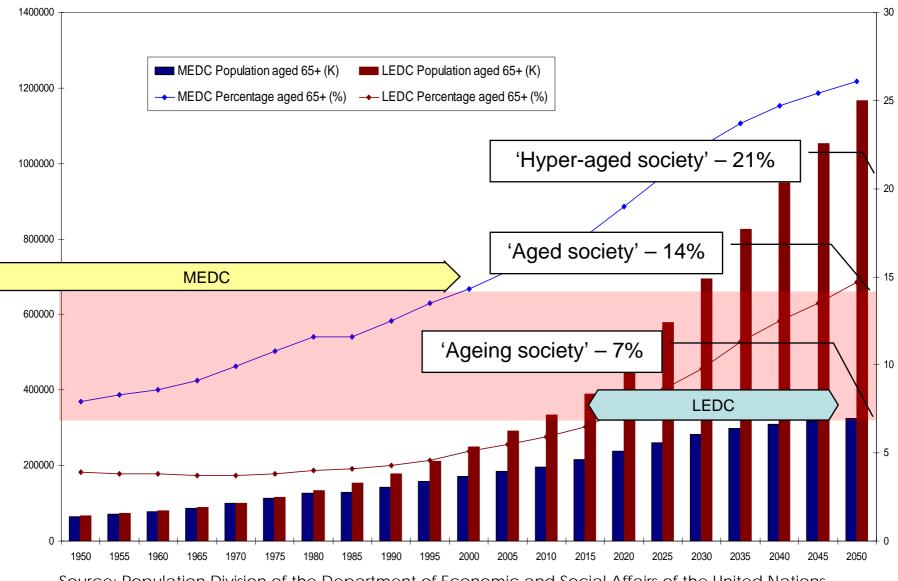
#### Ageing, Identity, Place-making Trend of ageing in Japan, will LEDCs follow the same pattern?

Kayo Murakami, Rose Gilroy and Jane Atterton Newcastle University, UK Email: kayo.murakami@ncl.ac.uk "The number of people aged 65 and over will double as a proportion of the global population, from 7% in 2000 to 16% in 2050"



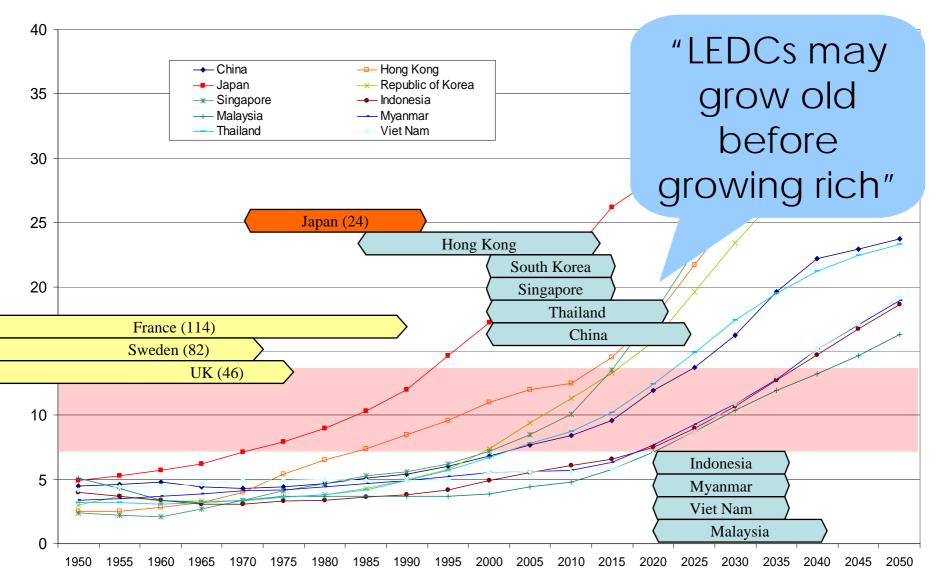
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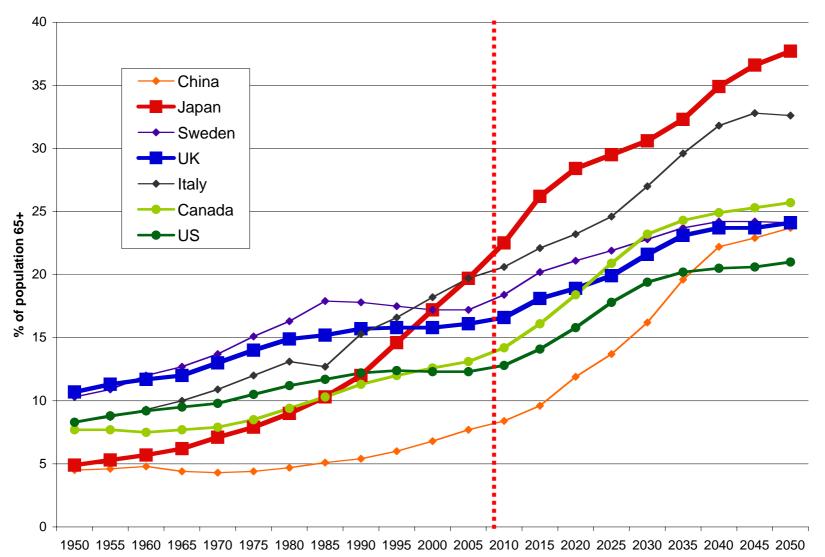
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#### **Research objectives**

- To explore three key areas of transformation and their interrelationships
  - (1) an ageing population;
  - (2) economic and social change; and
  - (3) the changing shape of local government and shifting governance cultures;
- To conduct evidence-based analysis of the responses to these challenges made by the public, private and voluntary sector to assess the extent and shape of institutional and market responses to ageing

# Hyper-aged society in Japan

- People aged 65+: 25.6 million (20%).
- The '*old*-old' (75+): 11.6 million.
- Pop 65+ will rise to 26% in 2015, 35.7% in 2050.
- Increasing old single household: one in three living alone by 2010.
- Increasing social welfare expenditures
  - pension, medical and other services, the Longterm care insurance: ¥93.6t (£963b) in 2005
  - 17% of GDP (¥537t) in 2005 (1.9 growth rate)
    \*IMF figure

#### **Emerging New Old** The *dankai* (post-war baby boomer)

- 5% of total population
- 50% living in urban
- "at the forefront of radical social, economic and political change"
- Urbanisation (80: 20)
- Aspiration of 'later life'
  - 'Second stage'
  - Social involvement
  - Relocation

'Change of pace by a change of place'



How to respond to hyper-aged society?

- Attitudes towards ageing
  - Anti-ageing: many products & financial commodities for keeping yourself younger and independent
  - Technology solutions: electric gadgets, products designed for older people
  - Free from family dependent care to which?: social (institutional) / private / community-based cares?

#### Magazines for 50+



Anti-ageing food restaurants / receipt books

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#### Robot suit 'HAL'





Domestic Robot 'Wakamaru'



Telehealth Intelligent Toilet, measuring the user's blood pressure, weight, body fat, urine sugar level

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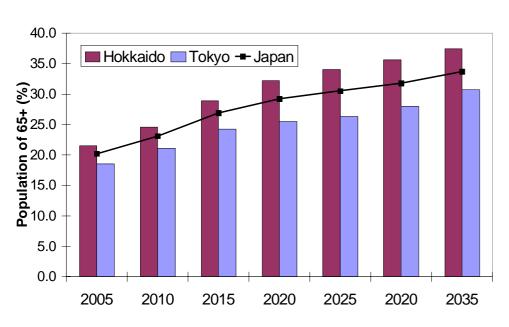
# How 'rural' respond to demographic ageing?

- Ageing & depopulation, economic stagnation since 1960s
- Multi-habitation (one in urban, the other in rural, seasonal living) inviting *new* old
- Community-based case service provision
- Entrepreneurship in care service sector
- Housing strategy
- New 'life support' industry
- Partnership based
  governance



# Case study in Rural Hokkaido

- Population 5.6 million
- Sapporo City 1/3 of the total popula;
- 1/5 population living 4/5 of land area
- Ageing 21.4% (65+) in 2005



Source: The National Institute of Population and Social Security Research, Japan



# Multi-habitation strategy inviting Urban Retirees

- 2004: Internet survey
- 2005-2006: ¥50m (£3.3m) initiatives
  - Marketing
  - One-stop information bureau
    - Housing
    - Transport
    - Medical care
    - Community
  - Public-private Consortium
- 417 people spending 8,471 days in Hokkaido using 'testing-out' schemes in 2006.



http://www.hokkaido-concierge.com/

#### Impacts on rural areas?

- Economic multiplier effect of ¥570b (£3.8b), if 1,000 retiree couples per year moved Hokkaido during 2007-2009
- Housing development
- Create new businesses matching the skills of inmigrants to local skill shortage and needs.
- Strengthen community development – community business, volunteer works
- Stimulate an increased supply of health care services





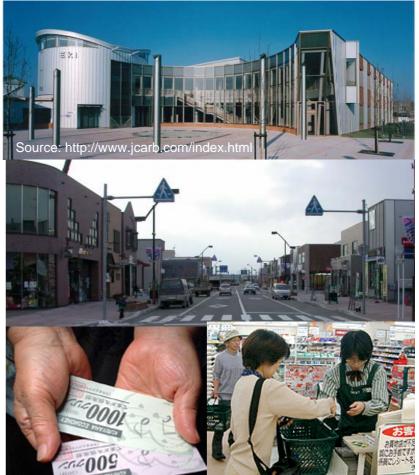
# Community-based social care network

- *Kuriyama* social welfare model
- 3 principles: community-centred, community-based and universal design
- Involving local business & community
  - a personalised 'care management' system,
  - a home repair service using local building companies,
  - trained home care helpers, Voluntary activities for young people
  - Home stays, Networking events for older people;



#### Community businesses and entrepreneurship

- Universal design for public spaces
- Older people-friendly
  public transport
- Telephone shopping and free delivery service
- The 'Kurin', local labour exchange, time-banking



Source: http://npo-kc.net/index.html

#### Community businesses and entrepreneurship

- The 'Shien' support with high aspiration established in 2003 by a local young entrepreneur
- 24 local young employees
- Growing and diversifying business:
  - Social care management (2003)
  - Home care service delivery (2003)
  - Housing provision for older people (2004)
  - Nursery support for families with young children (2005)
  - Funiture design 'Little Wood' (2005)





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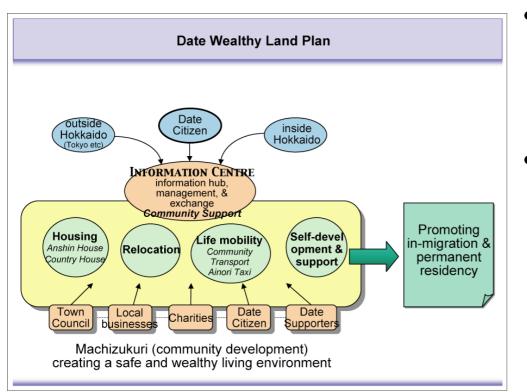
# Relocating older people at the heart of the town

- Nanporo 'Silver' Housing Project
- Social housing development at the town centre
- Barrier free standard design
- A warden office as a hub of care service facilities in the town





# Date 'Wealthy Land' Policy and new style of local governance



- 'Welfare-support industry' by the deregulation and encouragement of private sector investment in social welfare provision.
- Shift from
  - public sector dominance to private sector-led care service provision
  - the despised one-sizefits-all state control to local governance and discretion

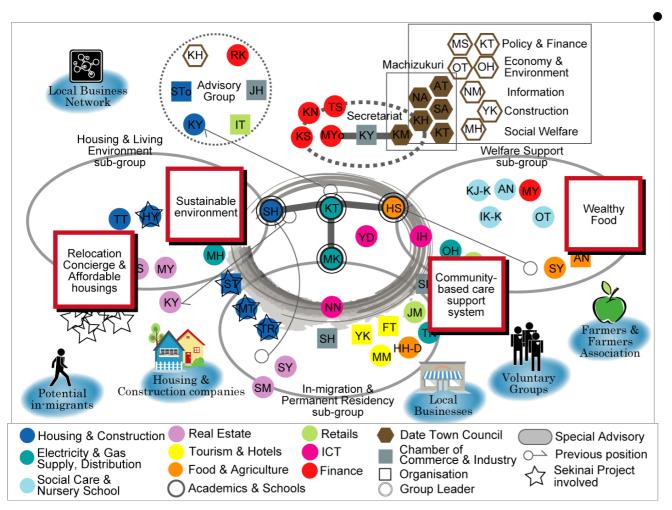
#### Housing, transport, and ICT



'Excellent countryside housing'

Community taxi scheme

### Creating a better local governance and sustainable economy?



- Matching problems and opportunities in:
  - Sustainable environment
  - Relocation concierge
  - Affordable housing
  - Community based care support system
  - Wealthy & healthy food
  - Community engagement

#### Impacts on rural-urban balance?

- Successful ageing model in rural community
- Leads to new roles for rural areas and rationales for supporting the rural economy
- Multi-habitation not necessarily lead to permanent migration to rural areas
  - uncertainty makes it difficult to implement mitigating measures (e.g. social care provision at local level)
- Which direction?
- A highly mobilized consumer society
- Spring board for bringing about overall improvement

## **Discussion points**

- What lessons might be learned from the Japanese approach to ageing?
- How can societies meet the two challengesfirstly making use of the resource that older people represent and secondly meeting the needs of growing numbers of frail elders?
- What value do we place on later life- what might be the goals and purpose for individuals?