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The supplement revises the growth projections and outlook for Africa for 2020 and 2021. It also highlights the impact of COVID-19 on Africa’s socio-economic landscape and recommends workable policy responses to safely reopen economies and accelerate growth recovery.

The webinar will draw the Asian market’s attention to the latest developments and economic trends in Africa under the COVID-19 pandemic and foster dialogue between the Bank’s specialists and Asian experts on the findings and suggestions. In addition, it will explore areas for more collaboration between Africa and Asia. Findings of the report will be disseminated to a wider range of Asian stakeholders, including policymakers, African diplomats in Asia, regional development organizations and civil society.
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