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Sustainable society based on diverse family structure

Background
Today, in Japan, the population of younger generation has been decreasing according to Declining Birth Rate (DBR). Therefore, it’s a pressing problem to take measures against DBR, to build up sustainable society.

Research
Object
OECD countries

The heads of study
①TFR (Total Fertility Rate)
②The correlation between TFR and the average first-marriage age, woman employee rate, education expenditure, the rate of children born out of wedlock, annual working hours.
③The causality between TFR and the rate of children born out of wedlock.

①TFR
Comparison with OECD countries.

\[ TFR = \sum (f(x)/g(x)) \]

\( f(x) \): annual reproduction figure of a woman at age x.
\( g(x) \): total number of woman at age x.

- Similarity
  More than 2.0 until 1970’s.
  Less than 2.0 in 1980’s
  → Afterward, two groups derive.
  One upturn to about 2.0 (GrA),
  Another keep low level under 1.5 (GrB)

②Social situation : France (group A)

- Morality change
  Christian morality: taboo against a divorce, contraception, abortion, and intercourse without marriage. or inequality among a couple (conventional marriage)
  Since the late 60’s, a movement of woman’s objection had spread.
  →Marriage ≠ intercourse: an agreement based on a free will of equal couple

- Women’s participant in the working world in the middle of child-rearing
  building up the society in which women can keep on working with raising children

③Social situation : Italy (group B)

- Social System
  1971: abolition of birth control
  1976: New family law
  1977: the law of gender free labor environment
  1978: Abortion legalized
  1988: Start: family allowance

- Mechanism about TFR recovery
  birth → cohabiting marriage
  → marriage
  → birth
  → birth

Prospect
If following policies are advanced...
  → child-nurturing support
  social environment that enables uniting bringing up a child to social life
  → gender-equal working condition
  → protection of the rights of children
  that is a trend in advanced countries.

Illegitimate rate come up!!

Task
The necessity for diversity which can take in minority.
Remained problems (Japanese conventional concept of value)
  • inequalities in inheritance for illegitimate
  • inequalities in tax system
    (allowance for widow, allowance for dependent)
  • insufficient system of maternity leave
  • relationship section in family registration