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HIGHLIGHTS

Professor Bambang Brodjonegoro, Indonesian Minister of Finance, delivered a public lecture entitled [Indonesia: sustaining economic development in a volatile world](#) to an audience of more than 200 people at ANU on 24 March 2016.

The video and presentation from the Public Lecture are available on our [YouTube Channel](#) and photos from the Minister's visit are available on our [Facebook page](#).

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His Excellency General Luhut Binsar Pandjaitan, Indonesian Coordinating Minister of Political, Legal and Security Affairs, a key member in the Jokowi administration, presented a public lecture on 9 June 2016 at the ANU. The topic of the lecture was on solving security issues in Indonesia. This was followed by a roundtable with ANU Indonesianists.

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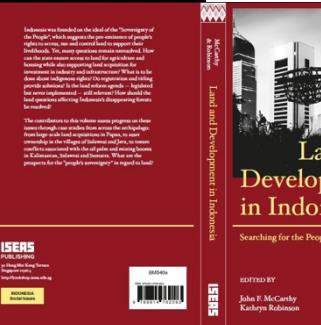


The **Indonesia – Australia High Level Policy Dialogue 2016** was held on 7 March at the Ministry of Finance in Jakarta.

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Based on the preparatory meeting and subsequent discussions between the Indonesia Project and Indonesia's Ministry of Finance, the topics covered industrial policy, fiscal policy and reform, as well as the international economy.

Understanding the most recent challenges in Indonesian economic development regarding the switch from a natural resource to an industrialised economy, the 2016 HLPD examined the key issues in industrial sector development potentials in Indonesia. The following issues were discussed: (1) How can fiscal policy help governments achieve their objective of inclusive economic growth? (2) How can government support industry to achieve economic growth? and (3) What is the role of the international economy in helping government achieve its inclusive growth objective? The three broad topics discussed were **Fiscal Policy Reform, Current Industrial Reform and Challenges, and the International Economy.**

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On 12 April 2016, the ANU Indonesia Project, in collaboration with the Institute for Economic and Social Research, Faculty of Economics and Business – Universitas Indonesia (LPEM FEB UI) and the Indonesia Services Dialogue (ISD) held the [**Tenth Sadli Lecture**](#) and International Services Summit 2016. Professors Mari Pangestu of Universitas Indonesia and Christopher Findlay of The University of Adelaide delivered a lecture to an audience of more than 250 on the “Services Sector as a Driver of Change: Indonesia Experience in the ASEAN Context”, based on a paper in the April edition of the Bulletin of Indonesian Economic Studies (BIES).

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS July 2016

Update book launch in Canberra

September 2016

Indonesia Update 2016. Digital Indonesia: challenges and opportunities of the digital revolution. <http://bit.ly/IndonesiaUpdate2016>

November 2016

BIES Economic Dialogue & Forum (tba)

December 2016

Young Scientist Forum (tba)



The **Hadi Soesastro Policy Forum** and **Update book launch** was held on 1 June, at CSIS, Jakarta. Dr Chia Siew Yue delivered a public lecture on ASEAN's economic directions and challenges, and the pivotal role of Indonesia. Dr Chia is Senior Research Fellow at the Singapore Institute of International Affairs.

The public lecture was followed by the book launch and discussion of the 2015 Indonesia Update book, ***Land and development in Indonesia: searching for the people's sovereignty***, edited by Kathryn Robinson and John McCarthy.

This year's Forum featured a **special panel on the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC)**, which discussed labour movement, financial integration and business competitiveness in the AEC. 150 people attended the event, including H.E. Hamzah Thayeb, former Indonesian Ambassador to Australia. Professor Budi Mulyanto, Director General for Land Acquisitions (Ministry of Agrarian and Spatial Planning/National Land Agency), who is also professor of soil science at the Bogor Agricultural Institute, launched the book.

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Professor Iwan Azis is currently at the ANU Indonesia Project as the **Thee Kian Wie Distinguished Visiting Professor**. He has been teaching economics at the University of Indonesia since 1977 and at Cornell University since 1992. He was the chairman of the department of economics (1984-1992), and the director of the Inter-University Center for Economics (1986-1992) at the University of Indonesia. During 2005-2010 he was the director of graduate studies at the Regional Science Program, Cornell University. His latest publications are: *Managing Elevated Risk* (Springer, 2015), 'ASEAN's Need to Rebalance: More Regional than Global?' in *Transpacific Rebalancing* (Brookings Institution Press, 2015), and *How Capital Flows in the Midst of Excess Savings Affect Macrofinancial Vulnerability* (Asian Development Review, 2015).

Professor Azis gave the talk, **Managing elevated risks – The 14th HW Arndt Memorial Lecture** on the difficulties facing emerging markets on 5 April 2016. Attended by more than 100 people, the event was opened by Professor Margaret Harding,

ANU Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), and chaired by Professor Hal Hill.
You can listen to the [podcast](#) of this event.

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RESEARCH RELATED

In April, the *Bulletin of Indonesian Economic Studies (BISS)* published issue [52.1](#). For more information, see the [Indonesia Project blog](#). The next issue is due out in August.

In June, *BISS* received an impact factor of 0.697 in the latest release of Thomson Reuters' [Journal Citation Reports](#), placing it among the world's top 20 area-studies journals. *BISS* is also among the top 20 Asian-studies journals, according to [Google Scholar Metrics](#), and in the second quartile of development journals in [SCLmago's Journal Rankings](#).

For more on *BISS*, follow the journal on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), or the new [BISS blog](#).

Research network and grants

We would like to extend our sincere congratulations to the nine 2016/2017 ANU Indonesia Project and SMERU Research Institute [Research Network Grant recipients](#). Recipients for the sixth round of [Research Travel Grant](#) have also been [announced](#).

The **2016 4th Indonesian Development Research Network (IDRN)**, jointly organised by [ANU Indonesia Project](#) and [The SMERU Research Institute](#), was held on 16-17 May in Bandung, West Java. It was attended by more than 50 researchers from various institutes in Indonesia and Australia.

The aim was to provide Indonesian research institutes with a platform to present and discuss their current research in the area of economic development and policy, with particular focus on: (i) Macroeconomics, Trade & Industry, (ii) Social Policy, Labour Markets & Human Capital, (iii) Socio-political Economy & Governance, and (iv) Agriculture, Environment & Resources. This two-day research workshop included one day of paper presentations by the winners of the call for papers, and one day of presentations by the recipients of the 2015/2016 research grants. Selected papers from the call for paper process were discussed in detail by senior researchers from Australia and Indonesia.

The SMERU Research Institute has created a playlist of podcasts from the workshop: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist...>

» [find out more](#) and [view the presentations](#).

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OTHER ENGAGEMENTS

On 15 April 2016, Associate Professor Budy Resosudarmo, Head of ANU Indonesia Project (The Project), gave a [talk at the Faculty of Economics, Sebelas Maret University \(UNS\) in Solo](#).

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On 11 April **Pierre van der Eng** presented a new paper entitled "Perpetual Dutch disease: Indonesia's long-term path of industrialisation" at an economic history seminar hosted by Professor Denggao Long at Tsinghua University, Beijing.

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The ANU Indonesia Project, represented by its Head, Associate Professor Budy Resosudarmo, held a [meeting with the](#)

University of Syiah Kuala (Unsyiah) in Banda Aceh on 14

March 2016, shortly after the FKP Roadshow at the same university.

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Together with approximately 15 other institutions, including the Centre of Economics and Development Studies (CEDS) Padjadjaran University and the Institute for Economic and Social Research (LPEM) Universitas Indonesia, the Indonesia Project is supporting the establishment of a new institution: **the Economy and Environment Institute Indonesia (EEI-Indonesia)**.

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