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⌃ Photo session with Indonesia Minister of National Development Planning Agency, Co-Chairs of SDSN Indonesia, President of Indonesian Academy of Sciences (AIPI), Dean of Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences of University of Indonesia, and keynote speakers from Griffith University in Australia, and University of British Columbia in Canada.

Indonesia ranks

102 out of 162

countries in 2019 Sustainable Development Report.

Indonesia's index score is

2.3% less

than regional average

Indonesia is not yet on track to meet any of the SDGs given the current data and trajectories.

❝ *Belantara supports the government of Indonesia in developing livelihoods for forest dwelling communities while adapting and mitigating the impact of climate change.* ❞

Sri Mariati, Executive Director, Belantara Foundation

SDSN Indonesia

Hosted by the University of Indonesia (UI) and United in Diversity (UID)
› **Jakarta, Indonesia**

Indonesia is an archipelago country with over 17,000 islands and hundreds of different languages and cultures. These unique geographic and socioeconomic characteristics make implementing the SDGs a challenge. The region is rich in natural resources and has a growing population of young people. With this richness comes great opportunity to lead on the SDGs. The President of Indonesia is a strong supporter of the SDGs and is committed to addressing challenges around global climate change.

Sustainability Science and Solutions

In Indonesia, the term sustainability is still commonly associated with environmental sustainability, although it also emcompasses economic and social factors. The symposium hosted at the University of Indonesia (UI) in April 2019 promoted sustainability science as a holistic approach to key development issues. The symposium was hosted in cooperation with several partners, including Indonesia's Academy of Science and the Ministry of National Development Planning. The UI's "SDG Hub" was launched at the symposium to foster the participation of academics, think-tanks, and students in the global SDG process and the SDSN network.

During this event, the Indonesia Development Planning Agency (Bappenas) and the Minister of Planning provided a thorough history of how Indonesia has integrated the SDGs into its National Planning strategies. Looking ahead, the Minister emphasized the role of industry in Indonesia's future (SDG 9) and showed how the SDGs could be used to ensure that growth within the industrial and manufacturing sectors can be achieved more sustainably when all the SDGs are considered in that planning.

Sixth Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development

As part of the network's involvement in the regional SDG initiatives, SDSN Indonesia participated in the Sixth Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development (APFSD) hosted in March 2019 in Thailand. The delegates of the Republic of Indonesia briefed attendees on Indonesia's progress in SDG implementation. Achievements have been made through allocation of domestic resources for implementing poverty eradication programs, increasing health coverage for workers, strengthening the quality of teachers at all levels, upgrading facilities for schools, and providing access to technology for all to ensure ease of doing business.

This is in line with the research done by SDSN in the SDG Index which mentioned that Indonesia has made significant progress on reducing poverty and improving innovation and technology deployment. In the effort to combat climate change, Indonesia has also marked progress by reducing deforestation and forest fire areas by strengthening cooperation with stakeholders.

LOOKING AHEAD

The network is currently determining how the SDG Hub can be leveraged to build momentum around sustainability. There is a great opportunity for further public-private-partnerships in Indonesia and the network is seeking to unlock the role of academia to foster them. Thanks to the ongoing generous support from the Belantara Foundation, the network hopes to get more involved with their community development and forest conservation projects underway. Additionally, the network is working closely with local SDSN Youth to develop a program of work to engage young people in innovative solutions and new business models.

FIND OUT MORE

• **http://www.unitedindiversity.org/information/19/sdsn-sea-and-indonesia/en**

Universitas Indonesia (UI)

Universitas Indonesia (UI) is known as a modern and green campus consisting of 320 hectares with 6 natural lakes. UI was initially established in 1849 as the Indonesian School of Medicine. Currently UI has 13 faculties that cover wide arrays of scientific disciplines with 291 degree and non-degree programs of study. UI aims l to become an independent university that can resolve national and global challenges, particularly those that impact the Southeast Asia region.

United in Diversity (UID)

United in Diversity (UID) is a non-profit organization established with Indonesian leaders from business, government, and civil society. Founded in 2003, UID has invited leaders from all sectors to come together, start a new dialogue of responsibility, and agree on concrete actions that address root-causes of both Indonesia's problems, as well as regional and world challenges.

Participants from SDSN Youth at the end of the workshop

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