

Economic Panel Discussion: Indonesia's Leading Role in Global Economy



As a part of Voyage to Indonesia, Panel Discussion: Indonesia's Leading Role in the Global Economy was held at the Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Indonesia in 15th May 2017. This event aims to convey recent updates on global economy as well as Indonesian economy, especially regarding the IMF economic assessment which is written in IMF Article IV, along with information of IMF-WB AM 2018. Invited as the keynote speakers are: Peter Jacobs (Director/Head of Task Force IMF-WB AM 2018 – Bank Indonesia), Papa M. Bagnick N'Diaye (Deputy Division Chief in the IMF Strategy, Policy, and Review Department, Washington DC) and John G. Nelmes (IMF Representative Indonesia). Acting as moderator, Fithra Faisal Hastiadi, Ph.D. (Lecturers in FEB UI).

Opening the seminar, Prof. Ari Kuncoro, S.E., M.A., Ph.D, Dean of FEB UI gave opening remarks, to welcome 100 students (undergraduate and graduate) and senior lecturers in FEB UI. The event continued with a series of presentations, started with John G. Nelmes. He conveyed that based on IMF Assessment Article IV, Indonesian economy is in good condition, as is shown by positive economic indicators. Next, Papa N'Diaye explained about the development of emerging market economy, including Indonesia as one of the key drivers of global economic growth. As the third speaker, Peter Jacobs, then explained that Indonesian economy has transformed. It has turned into a reformed, resilient, and progressive economy. This has been one of the main considerations that leads to the selection of Indonesia as the host country of IMF-WB AM 2018. This opportunity could be used as a momentum to showcase our economic improvement to the world. In addition, the IMF-WB AM 2018, is expected to contribute positive added

value to Indonesian economy. In short-term, huge amount of participants would contribute to local development. Besides, this event could also be the platform to promote Indonesia's main tourist destinations. For the long-term, the success of this event would create positive image of Indonesia, that is hoped to yield positive impacts towards foreign trade and investment.



The keynote speakers, Mr. Peter, Mr. John and Mr. Papa (in the middle, from left to right), along with participants, which consist of academics and students.

