

## Press Release

### *SDGs KNOWLEDGE PLATFORM*

- (1) ASEAN FORUM FOR MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPMENT PLANNING ON IMPLEMENTING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**
- AND**
- (2) TALKSHOW – LOCALIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:**  
**(3) ACT LOCALLY ON A GLOBAL SCALE**

**NUSA DUA** - The alignment and linkages between ASEAN Community Vision 2025 and the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) is an important factor for achieving development goals at ASEAN region, said Minister of National Development Planning/Head of Bappenas Bambang Brodjonegoro in **“ASEAN Forum for Minister Responsible for Development Planning on Implementing Sustainable Development Goals”** which was held at Inaya Nusa Dua, Bali, Friday (11/10) afternoon. Furthermore, the Minister Bambang has appreciated the Kingdom of Thailand to have initiated the report on "Complementarities between the ASEAN Community Vision 2025 and the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development".

“Indonesia had taken a number of concrete steps followed by positive progress in the effort to implement SDGs. Some of the successes that Indonesia have achieved were mainstreaming SDGs into the national development agenda that is in line with the President's Vision and Mission (Nawacita),” Minister Bambang said at the opening of the ASEAN Minister Responsible for Development Planning Forum which was held at the 2018 IMF-WB Annual Meeting. The implementation of SDGs in Indonesia is also shown by localizing SDGs indicators from the national level to the subnational level whose actions are included in the National and Subnational Action Plans, as well as the formulation of SDGs Roadmap to succeed the achievement of the 2030 Agenda as mandated in Presidential Regulation No. 59/2017 on Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

The Ministerial Meeting was attended by delegates from all ASEAN member states and an academic from Columbia University, Prof. Jeffrey Sachs. The representatives conveyed the progress of implementation, lessons learned, innovations that have been carried out, particularly related to financing innovations, and challenges experienced when implementing SDGs in each country. In encouraging the implementation of SDGs in ASEAN, Indonesia opens up opportunities for cooperation in the framework of "Knowledge Sharing" to support ASEAN member states to translate the two major agendas into concrete implementation. At the closing session, Minister Bambang emphasized the need for ongoing efforts to succeed the achievement specifically for seven (7) flagship initiatives. As a follow up, Indonesia offers to collaborate with the Kingdom of Thailand in organizing the next forum, and Indonesia offers to be the host, where the ASEAN Member States can discuss further on the complementarities.

Adopting the principle of "No One Left Behind" in the 2030 Agenda highlighted that the participation of various stakeholders in effective, responsible and transparent decision-making processes at all levels is the key to achieving SDGs. In relation to that, Ministry of National Development Planning/Bappenas as the coordinator of SDGs implementation in Indonesia also initiated a Parallel Event consecutively at the IMF-WB Annual Meeting, in the form of a Talkshow on the theme of "Localizing the Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): Act Locally On a Global Scale". The talkshow connects academics, practitioners, international development partners, philanthropy and CSOs to enable sharing and discussion of leveraging the delivery know-how, knowledge and expertise related to SDGs. Non-state actors have a crucial role to play in fostering synergies to support the implementation in achieving goals and targets at national and in some cases international levels. The Talkshow is a joint collaboration event with Asian Development Bank (ADB), Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) as Ministry of PPN/Bappenas development partners.

The opening remarks is delivered by the Ambassador of Japan to Indonesia, H.E. Masafumi Ishii, Vice President Knowledge Management of ADB, Bambang Susantono and the Minister of PPN/Head of Bappenas, Bambang Brodjonegoro. H.E. Masafumi Ishii presented SDGs Implementation in Japan and also the Japan-Indonesia partnership in supporting SDGs Implementation in Indonesia. Vice President Knowledge Management of ADB, Bambang Susantono also delivered a remark regarding SDGs Progress in the Asia and Pacific region. He highlighted the importance of cooperation across levels of government and partnerships with non-government actors for achieving the SDGs. Minister of PPN stated that Indonesia had consistently promoted an inclusive and diverse stakeholder engagement involving academia, CSOs, media, philanthropy, private sector, as well as the support of development partners. Minister Bambang also added, in order to achieve a successful development agenda requires collaboration and constructive partnerships among all parties. An example of the collaboration of many parties is the development of a Microhydro Power Plant (PLTMH) in Jambi Province. For Indonesia, the national development agenda and the SDGs are mutually dependent and reinforcing.

The Talkshow hosted by Kania Sutisnawinata also invited Prof. Jeffrey Sachs as Director of the Center for Sustainable Development at Columbia University. Jeffrey Sachs conveyed the importance of the SDGs Index to measure the acceleration of SDGs achievement at the local level. The speaker from Indonesia was Bayu Krisnamurthi - academia from IPB and also served as Chair of the Bina Swadaya Foundation who shared the experience of how academics can contribute to accelerating the achievement of SDGs in Indonesia. JICA President, Shinichi Kitaoka explained about the philosophy of “human security” and “quality growth” incorporating throughout the SDGs, which Japan has advocated. He also mentioned that JICA will promote international cooperation serving as a bridge linking Japan and other countries toward the achievement of the SDGs, by addressing the JICA’s vision of taking the lead in forging bonds of trust across the world.

Aside from JICA, the UNDP Administrator, Achim Steiner also shared experiences in building and establishing innovative partnerships to finance the SDGs. Asian Venture Philanthropy Network (AVPN) Policy Director, Patsian Low said Asian culture prizes community over individual and has deep traditions of the generous sharing of wealth and it will need to be directed to optimize the achievement of SDGs. “The SDGs are able to overcome complex development challenges, but this certainly requires the cooperation to support ongoing efforts involving all stakeholders. In order to optimize the SDGs achievement, all parties must be committed and consolidated all efforts in a more innovative, transformative and complementary way. For that, let us continue our efforts to work together in broader and deeper partnerships to support the SDGs achievement and make SDGs as our collective actions or MOVEMENT,” Minister Bambang concluded.

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