









Indonesia-Singapore Foreign Policy Youth Talks

# **PROGRAM REPORT**

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### **Remarks from ISFPYT 2022 Project Director**

Hi everyone, thank you to all for your support, guidance and participation. The first-ever Indonesia-Singapore Foreign Policy Youth Talks (ISFPYT) finally conducted well with a bunch of aspiration and compliment from participants and attendees. Our main expectation in convening this program is to grasp more knowledge and experience from Indonesian and Singaporean youth. I do believe eventually; it went beyond our expectations.

Throughout a very tough selection process, we finally selected 31 participants both from Indonesia and Singapore as participants. They come from various backgrounds and expertise, such as researchers, government officials, foreign policy analysts, youth activists, and even lawyers.

As we know, there is a growing interest towards foreign policy, diplomacy and international politics among the young generation in Indonesia and Singapore. This ISFPYT was trying to elevate this interest into productive outputs. Within two days of panels, crisis simulation, debates, and conversations, all participants were invited to take a deeper look on the most pressing issues in the world today.

A set of programs was designed such as Indonesia and Singapore in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century of Asia, and in the midst of United States-China Rivalry to help participants understand the country's position in the geopolitical context more. Indonesia's Minister for Creative Economy and Tourism Affairs, H.E. Dr. Sandiaga Uno and Chairman of Democratic Party, Agus Harimurti Yudhoyono joined the program with the aim to prepare and motivate the future leaders of the nation.

We also have a climate crisis simulation on forest fire on the second day, to show participants the complexities of foreign policy decision-making process. They played some critical actors in relates to forest fire and at the end provided a "Joint Statement" as a form of bilateral agreement between Indonesia and Singapore. Personally, I am truly glad to see this ISFPYT is successfully seen as a platform to learn, exchange knowledge, and gain more understanding on foreign policy.





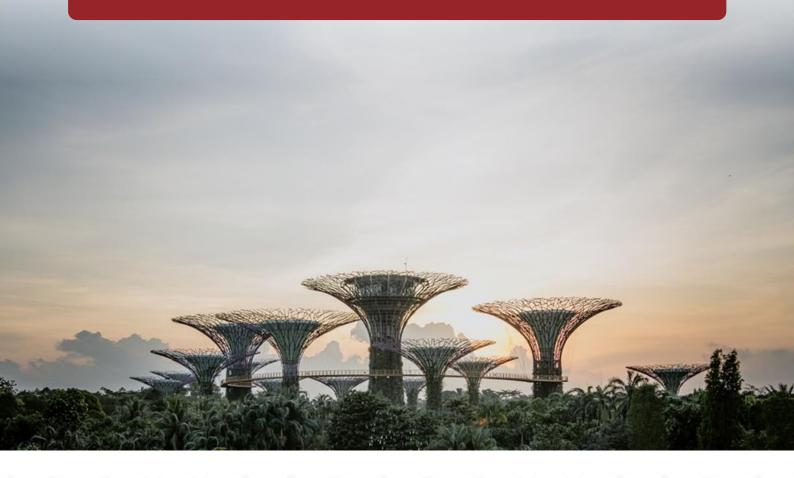
My highest gratitude is extended to all sponsors including Singapore Global Network (SGN) and UOB Indonesia, community partners, advisors, participants, attendees and committee members. Without all of your support, this ISFPYT would be just an idea. Some people texted me, asking whether ISFPYT will have the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition or not. Honestly, I don't have the answer now. However, considering the dynamic of foreign policy issues in two countries, I think the engagements among youth who are passionate about this field must be intensified sustainably.

With honor and respect, I would like to end this note with an appreciation to Indonesia's Ministry of Foreign Affairs particularly with the attendance of H.E. Dr. Teuku Faizasyah, Director General for Information and Public Diplomacy and Spokesperson of the Ministry. Unfortunately, both Embassies of Indonesia and Singapore were unable to join the program, maybe next time!



Cheers,

Thomas Noto Suoneto
Project Director of ISFPYT 2022



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#### **About Indonesia Singapore Foreign Policy Youth Talks 2022**

As the driving force of the future of international affairs, youth proactiveness is key to attract growth and innovation. Regarding that, it is important that youth to be given an opportunity to share their fresh and new ideas towards the current global issues. Moreover, along with the development of foreign policy which nowadays is not only determined by foreign ministry, the knowledge and chance to contribute into foreign policy decisions must be introduced to other parts of the society including the younger generation. Their presence should be recognized as a valuable manifestation of inclusive governance in more developed and delivered Southeast Asian region.

Being part of states who took responsibility to create a strong region of Southeast Asia, Indonesia and Singapore have shared a close relationship throughout many of its collaborations and cooperation. Therefore, youth from both countries should as well be provided a platform to participate in the development of the region so that prosperity can be further enhanced.

Indonesia-Singapore Foreign Policy Youth Talks (ISFPYT) was held on 12-13 February 2022. This program was conducted as a platform for youth from Indonesia and Singapore to share mutual understandings, contribute ideas in international affairs, and to experience the complexities of foreign policy decision-making process.

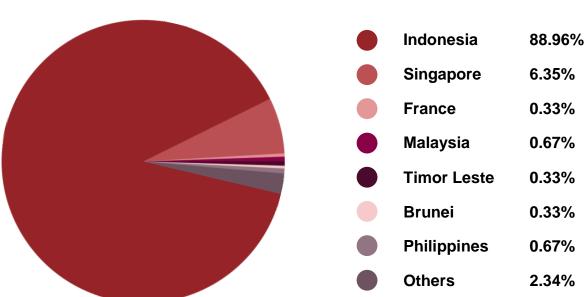
During the two days program, the selected participants experienced several format of sessions such as roundtable discussion, climate crisis simulation and exclusive dialogue with honorable speakers such as H.E. Dr. Sandiaga Uno, H.E. Dr. Teuku Faizasyah, Agus Harimurti Yudhoyono, Dr. Connie Bakrie, Rahayu Saraswati Djojohadikusumo, Nara Rakhmatia, and many more that discuss, share knowledge and also perspective with the selected participants.

ISFPYT became a place for Indonesian and Singaporean youth to exchange ideas, build constructive discussions, and to brainstorm on the most concerning issues regarding international affairs affecting the two nations. The topics varied including economics, social, politics, and even environment. The program provided public sessions such as the Powerful Conversations with Leaders, Youth Talks and Open Dialogue with Experts, as well as Roundtable Discussions for everyone who intends to enrich their knowledge regarding foreign policy issues. Besides, it encompassed some exclusive sessions which was involving 31 young leaders from Indonesia and Singapore to build possible solutions that are relevant with the current problems regarding foreign policy.

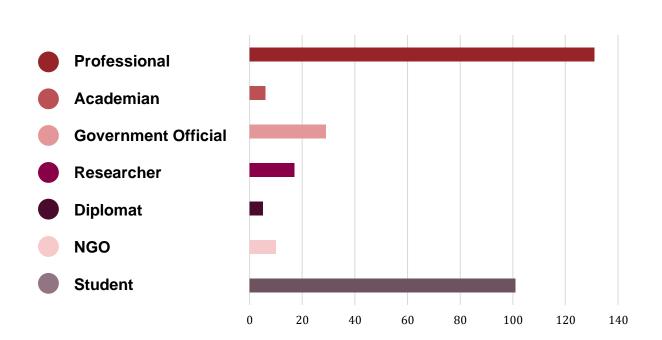


#### **Our Session Attendees**





### Occupations



### **Selected Participants**

ISFPYT 2022 was delighted to have 31 brightest youth from Indonesia and Singapore joining our program, here are the selected participants:

#### **Selected Participants from Indonesia**



Acyuta Jr.

Bandung Institute of Technology



Adhari Koara

Australian National University



Andrew William John Nathaniel

Nalar Institute



Ariel Ebenhaizer Tandian

Center for Indonesia-China Studies



**Arkan Diptyo** 

Asia Group Advisors



**Calvin Khoe** 

Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia



**Dhien Favian** 

Airlangga University



Edwin Winarko Canggadibrata

S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies



Farida Harliya Prastika

University of Mataram



**Glenn Wijaya** 

Christian Teo & Partners



Hendri Surya Widcaksana

UNEP Major Group for Children & Youth



Hilmi H. Kartasasmita

Executive Office of The President of The Republic of Indonesia





Mokhammad Ardafillah

ASEAN-Australia Strategic Youth Partnership



Priskila Millena

Padjadjaran University



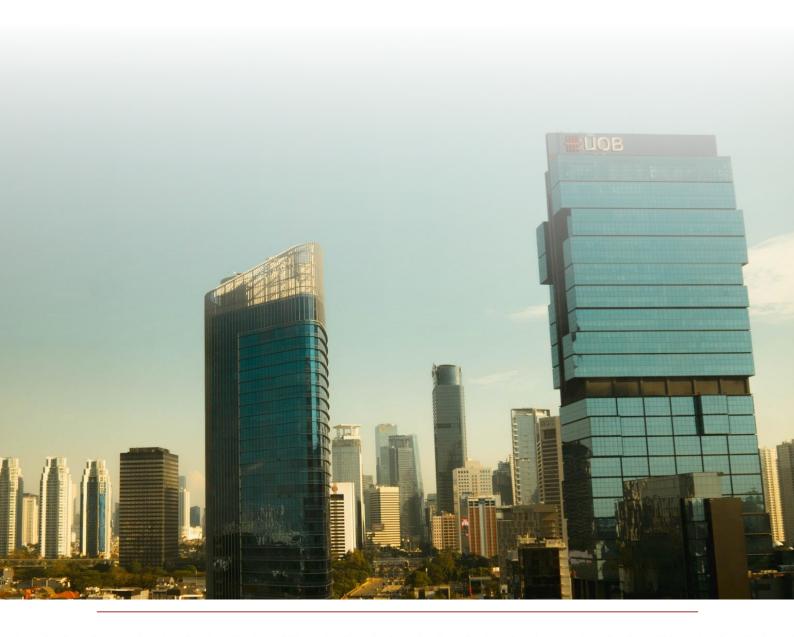
Rifia Azka Nabiilah

Padjadjaran University



Rizki Nur Alifah

University of Indonesia





#### **Selected Participants from Singapore**



**Aaron Tan** 



**Clarence Ng Kai Lun** 



**Esther Yeoh** 



**Ian Seow** 

Nanyang Technological University of Singapore ASEAN Business Youth Association University of Edinburgh

Nanyang Technological University of Singapore



**Ingmar Salim** 



**Jun Hao Wong** 



**Justin Ho Guo Shun** 



**Kenneth Yeo** 

Linkage Asia

Nanyang Technological University Rotary International

S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies



**Leonard Sim Jun Jie** 



**Mohamed Fayyaz** 



**Quah Say Jye** 



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Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy ASEAN Youth Organization



Saishwar Thirumagan Sri



**Velda Wong** 



Willie Wee Ye Chiang

The Young SEAkers

Ministry of Trade and Industry Singapore StaffAny

### **Program Rundown**

Day 1 – 12 February 2022		
10:00 - 10:10 WIB / 11:00 - 11:10 SGT	Opening Remarks by <b>H.E. Dr. Teuku Faizasyah</b> Director General of Information and Public Diplomacy and Spokesperson of Indonesia's Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
10:10 - 11:30 WIB / 11:10 - 12:30 SGT	Opening Dialogue on "Indonesia and Singapore in the 21st Century of Asia"  Speakers:  1. Dr. Connie Rahakundini Bakrie Author, Lecturer, Defense Analyst and Strategic Thinker.  2. Assoc. Prof. Leonard Sebastian, Ph.D. Coordinator of the Indonesia Programme at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS).  3. Assoc. Prof. Dinna Prapto Rahardja, Ph.D. Co-founder of Synergy Policies and Faculty member of Binus University, Department of International Relations.  4. Yuyun Wahyuningrum Representative of Indonesia to the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights.  Moderator:  1. Jefferson Ng Jin Juan Senior Analyst of the Indonesia Programme at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies	
11:30 - 12:30 WIB / 12:30 - 13:30 SGT	Lunch Break	
12:30 - 14:00 WIB / 13:30 - 15:00 SGT	Youth Talks with Experts:  "Indonesia and Singapore in the Dynamic and Troubled World"  Speakers:  1. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Jamus Lim     Associate Professor of Economics at ESSEC Asia-Pacific  2. Dr. Yanuar Nugroho     Co-Founder & Advisor of Centre for Innovation Policy and Governance (CIPG)  3. Rahimah Abdulrahim     Director of Public Policy for Southeast Asia at Meta  4. Meaghan See     Director of Partnerships, Head, Events and Engagement at Eco-Business Singapore  Moderator:  1. Thomas Noto Suoneto     Founder of Foreign Policy Talks Discussion Club	
14:00 - 14:30 WIB / 15:00 - 15:30 SGT	Short Break	
14:30 - 16:00 WIB / 15:30 - 17:00 SGT	"The Most Concerning International Issues to You" Session Speakers:	



#### 1. Rahayu Saraswati Djojohadikusumo

Politician, Activist and Actress

#### 2. Nara Masista Rakhmatia

Indonesian Diplomat, Permanent Mission to the United Nations, WTO and other International Organizations

#### 3. Nor Lastrina Hamid

Co-Founder, Singapore Youth for Climate Action

#### Moderator:

#### 1. Agatha Lydia Natania

Executive Director of ASEAN Youth Organization (A.Y.O.)

Day 2 – 13 Februa	ary 2022
10:00 - 12:00 WIB / 11:00 - 13:00 SGT	Climate Crisis Simulation  Assessors:  1. Dr. Siwage Dharma Negara Senior Fellow at the ISEAS Yusof Ishak Institute  2. Dayu Nirma Amurwanti Lecturer at the International Relations Department of Binus University  Facilitators:  1. Azalea Johannes News Presenter & Producer at Metro TV  2. Esther Tamara Director of Climate Programs at Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia
12:00 - 13:00 WIB / 13:00 - 14:00 SGT	Lunch Break
12:30 - 14:00 WIB / 13:30 - 15:00 SGT	Crisis Solutions and Participants Assessment  Assessors:  1. Dr. Siwage Dharma Negara
14:00 - 14:15 WIB / 15:00 - 15:15 SGT	Short Break
14:15 - 14:45 WIB / 15:15 - 15:45 SGT	Brainstorm session with Indonesia-Singapore participants on foreign policy issues
14:45 - 15:15 WIB / 15:45 - 16:15 SGT	Powerful Conversations with Leaders: "How to be an Impactful Part of Society?"



	Speaker:  1. H.E Dr. Sandiaga Salahuddin Uno  Minister for Tourism and Creative Economy of the Republic of Indonesia  Moderator:  1. Sisi Aspasia  Media Practitioner
15:15 - 15:45 WIB / 16:15 - 16:45 SGT	Powerful Conversations with Leaders: "Shaping Youth as a Sharp and Visionary Leader for the Nation"  Speaker:  1. Agus Harimurti Yudhoyono Chairman of Democratic Party  Moderator: 1. Sisi Aspasia Media Practitioner
15:45 - 16:00 WIB / 16:45 - 17:00 SGT	Short Break
16:00 - 17:00 WIB / 17:00 - 18:00 SGT	Roundtable Discussion: Rethinking Indonesia & Singapore's Strategic Position Amidst the Straining United States-China Rivalry  Discussants:  1. Assoc. Prof. Ja Ian Chong     Associate Professor of Political Science at National University of Singapore  2. Asst. Prof. Dr. Selina Ho     Assistant Professor at Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy  3. Prof. Aleksius Jemadu     Professor of International Relations at Universitas Pelita Harapan  4. Aristyo Rizka Darmawan     Lecturer in International Law at Universitas Indonesia  5. Irene Chan     Associate Research Fellow at S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies  Facilitator:  1. Thomas Noto Suoneto     Founder of Foreign Policy Talks Discussion Club
17:00 - 17:15 WIB / 18:00 - 18:15 SGT	Short Break
17:15 - 17:45 WIB / 18:15 - 18:45 SGT	Closing & Awarding
17:45 - 18:45 WIB / 18:45 - 19:45 SGT	Networking Session



#### Opening Remarks by H.E. Dr. Teuku Faizasyah



The ISFPYT 2022 was started with an opening ceremony and remarks from H.E. Dr. Teuku Faizasyah, the Spokesperson of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia. Within his opening remarks, H.E. Dr. Teuku Faizasyah congratulated ISFPYT as a good initiative and delivered some of his thoughts on current global affairs, particularly the challenges in Asia, as well as briefly touched on Indonesia-Singapore's current bilateral ties. He also expressed his sincere appreciation toward the enthusiasm of the youth from both Indonesia and Singapore in joining the forum as it will broaden the horizon and help cultivate a sense of internationalism.

In essence, H.E. Dr. Teuku Faizasyah stated that the geo-economic and geopolitical pendulum has been shifting to Asia in which he sees that the challenges such as conflict for access to resources, and competition for influence between the major powers will jeopardize peace and stability at regional and even global levels. He also mentioned the importance of ASEAN in maintaining peace in the region including resolving the current political crisis in Myanmar. In conclusion, H.E. Dr. Teuku Faizasyah underscores the important role of youth in Indonesia and Singapore to maintain a robust bilateral relationship and preserve the ASEAN legacy by ensuring the continued process of prosperity and peace within the region



#### Opening Dialogue: "Indonesia and Singapore in the 21st Century of Asia"

Total attendees: 266



The opening dialogue was the first session of the ISFPYT 2022. Essentially, the purpose of this dialogue was to explore the contemporary geopolitical challenges that are shaping the current and future state of Asia, particularly in the 21st Century. The session was joined by four distinguished speakers who are long-time observers of development in Asia and leaders in their respective fields. Each speaker has shared their views and assessments including the key characteristics, and critical strategic issues unfolding in the Asian region. The discussion revolved around the Indo-Pacific security dimensions, the relevance of ASEAN amidst the rise of China and its implication to the stability and peace in the region, as well human rights issues in Myanmar. Within this session, the participants have also had a chance to directly deliver their questions and interact with the invited panellists.



"I prefer we shape our region than the region shapes us."
- Dr. Connie Bakrie

In the opening dialogue, Dr. Connie Bakrie stressed that it is important to shape the region and not let the region shape us. She also emphasized that Indonesia, Malaysia, and Singapore are key maritime states that can walk together to advance the common interest with the other ASEAN countries amidst the geopolitical challenge. Assoc. Prof. Leonard C. Sebastian pointed out the importance of people-to-people relations, economic cooperation, energy, and climate change issues, anticipating unexpected political changes, and understanding the dynamics of global order in the context of bilateral ties between Indonesia and Singapore. Furthermore, Assoc. Prof. Dinna Prapto Raharja, Ph.D. discusses the security discourses on Indo-Pacific and the lack of global regulation to mitigate the determination of Asian countries' ambition on having the mightiest weapon and competitiveness in the military and security domain. While H.E. Yuyun Wahyuningrum emphasized the importance of multilateralism and collective



efforts for Asian states in tackling the current global challenges rather than focusing on localization.

"When we talk about Asia, Southeast Asia, and Indo-Pacific, we have to see that the air above us, the water beneath us is already placed for competition and they are very much determined to do this even if there are rejections at the diplomatic level."

- Assoc. Prof. Dinna Prapto Raharja, Ph.D.



#### **Speakers**



#### Dr. Connie Rahakundini Bakrie

Author, Lecturer, Defense Analysts & Strategic Thinker of Indonesia

Connie Rahakundini Bakrie is an Indonesian military and security expert. She is a senior research fellow at the Institute of National Security Studies (INSS), Tel Aviv, Israel. In addition, she is also a member of the Chevening Executive Program in Democracy and Security at Birmingham University, England. Previously, she also graduated from the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies (APCSS) in Honolulu, Hawaii.



#### Assoc. Prof. Dr. Leonard C. Sebastian

Coordinator of the Indonesia Programme at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies

Leonard C. Sebastian is Associate Professor and Coordinator of the Indonesia Programme at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS). He is the author of Realpolitik Ideology: Indonesia's Use of Military Force (Institute of Southeast Asian Studies and Cambridge University Press, 2006 and 2015) and his refereed articles have been published in the Journal of Strategic Studies, Asia Policy, Indonesia, TRaNS: Trans-Regional and National Studies of Southeast Asia, South East Asia Research, Defence & Security Analysis, Soccer & Society, Education About Asia, China International Strategy Review, Cambridge Review of International Affairs, Southeast Asian Affairs, and Contemporary Southeast Asia.





#### Assoc. Prof. Dinna Prapto Raharja, Ph.D

Co-founder of Synergy Policies & Faculty member of Binus University, Department of International Relations.

Dinna specializes in diplomacy, international political economy, and social protection. She is known for her policy-oriented research and activism, advising various government foreign policy or social protection-related programs. She received her MA & Ph.D. from the Department of Political Science, Ohio State University (2007), BA in international relations from Universitas Indonesia. She served as The Chair of Working Group on Health, Employment and Population Programmes at the Transition Team of Joko Widodo - Jusuf Kalla (2014), Indonesia's Representative to ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR) 2016-2018, Committee Member for selecting the representatives at Indonesia's National Social Security Council (DJSN) 2019-2024, Expert Team at the Task Force to Combat Syndicate of Illegal Sending of Indonesian Migrant Workers at BP2MI (2020-2021), and currently is serving as a Judge Member for Paritrana Award on National Employment Protection Programmes.



#### Yuyun Wahyuningrum

Representative of Indonesia to the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR)

Yuyun Wahyuningrum is a human rights defender who has been actively advocating social and humanitarian issues at the ASEAN level. She is well known for her consistency in fighting for human rights, including the rights of minority and marginalized groups, such as Rohingya Muslims, people with disabilities, and LGBTIQ. She is re-elected as Indonesia's Representative to the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR). Wahyuningrum obtained her MA in Human Rights, from Mahidol University, Thailand, and currently pursuing her Ph.D. in Global Governance Law and Social Justice at the International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), Erasmus University Rotterdam.



#### **Moderator**



### Jefferson Ng Jin Chuan

Senior Analyst of the Indonesia Programme at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies

Jefferson is a Senior Analyst at the Indonesia Programme. His research mainly covers Indonesia's parliamentary politics, regional elections, and foreign policy. Prior to joining the Indonesia Programme in September 2019, he obtained an M.Sc degree in Asian Studies at the S.Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) and graduated with first-class honors in History at the National University of Singapore.





# Youth Talks with Experts: "Indonesia and Singapore in the Dynamic and Troubled World"

Total attendees: 103



The purpose of the session was to trigger the intellectual curiosity of the people, especially the youth pertaining to the most pressing issues encountered by both Indonesia and Singapore. Principally, the dynamics of the COVID-19 pandemic have accelerated and amplified the multiple crises in terms of economic, climate change, and governance wherein have appeared as important global challenges that affect both countries. Thus, within this session, four prominent experts and scholars with expertise ranging from economics, public policy, sustainable development, and eco-business were invited to critically discuss and answer those challenges.

"Scientific process knowledge cannot be separated from the policy-making process. It can be distinguished but cannot be separate."

- Dr. Yanuar Nugroho



Dr. Jamus Lim has pointed out the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic in emerging countries and also Singapore in particular. He also touches on the issues of the inequality in the emerging economies in which budgetary capacity to increase state spending to provide subsidies to citizens and businesses that facing economic difficulties are hampered by the limited financial capacity of the government. Dr. Yanuar Nugroho on the other hand stressed the importance of capacity, authority, and trust toward the government in tackling the greater challenges of the pandemics including incorporating the knowledge in the policy-making process. On the same tone, Ms. Rahimah Abdulrahim mentioned that the pandemic has built the resilience of each country and its citizens. In addition, she also emphasized the need to



intensified digital literacy to combat the flow of hoaxes circulating in society. The last speaker was Ms. Meaghan See who spokes particularly on the issues of climate change. Furthermore, she underlines the importance of multistakeholder collaborative efforts including mobilizing investment into technology and promoting policymaking to tackle the climate crisis issues.



"Fighting misinformation is a holistic process and it takes concerted efforts. It cannot just be up to the platforms to determine what is false and what is truth. We are not arbiters of the truth."

- Ms. Rahimah Abdulrahim

#### **Speakers**



**Assoc. Prof. Dr. Jamus Lim** Associate Professor of Economics at ESSEC Asia-Pacific, Singapore

Jamus Lim is an associate professor of economics at ESSEC Business School. Jamus Lim worked in the World Bank serving in its Development Prospects Group and specializing in long-term macroeconomic projections from 2007 to 2014. Jamus is also a Member of the Singaporean Parliament.



**Dr. Yanuar Nugroho**Co-Founder & Advisor of Centre for Innovation Policy and Governance (CIPG)

Dr. Yanuar Nugroho is a senior public policy practitioner and academic with a strong focus on innovation, social change, and development planning. Previously, he was a former Deputy Chief of Staff for Analysis and Oversight of Strategic Issues on Social, Cultural, and Ecological Affairs at the Executive Office of the President, Republic Indonesia (2015-2019). Currently, in addition to being a Visiting Senior Fellow at ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute Singapore, Honorary Fellow at the University of Manchester, UK, he also serves as an advisor to several international development institutions. Dr. Nugroho received his Ph.D. from Alliance Manchester Business School, The University of Manchester, UK.



Meaghan See
Director of Partnerships, Head, Events, and Engagement at Eco-Business

Meaghan See is the Director of Partnerships, Head of Events and Engagement, at Eco-Business. Meaghan comes with deep legal experience,



wide networks and a passion for ESG and sustainability issues contributes to her work at Eco-Business, Asia Pacific's leading media organization on sustainable development. Her experience with sustainability and the environment and passion continues to drive her work in space.



#### **Rahimah Abdulrahim**

Director of Public Policy for Southeast Asia at Meta

Rahimah Abdulrahim is a tireless advocate for peace and democracy in Indonesia and the region, with 20 years of experience working to promote democracy and human rights. She is currently a Director of Public Policy for Southeast Asia at Meta, Singapore. Prior to that, She was the Chair of the Institute for Democracy and Human Rights at Habibie Center, Jakarta. Rahimah obtained her Master's degree in International Studies and Diplomacy from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, United Kingdom.

#### **Moderator**



#### **Thomas Noto Suoneto**

Founder of Foreign Policy Talks Discussion Club

Thomas Noto Suoneto is a foreign policy analyst and host of the Foreign Policy Talks Podcast. His area of interest is on East Asian Affairs, International Political Economy, Indonesia's Foreign Policy and Indonesia's relationships with major powers. Noto is an active writer on topics around foreign policy in numerous international outlets. He was the Director for Special Projects and Institutional Relations at Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia (FPCI), responsible for managing the cooperation with foreign embassies, international organizations and research institutions. Noto graduated with a Master in International Political Economy at the University of Birmingham, United Kingdom.



#### The Most Concerning International Issues to You



This session was initiated to Indonesian and Singaporean youth, a platform to converse on most pressing international issues in their views. There were 31 participants (15 from Indonesia, 16 from Singapore) participating and involved in this productive cross-sharing session. For this session, each of them must submit a 250-word essay that signals their concerns. The committee chose six best essays from both countries to be shared lively during the session on 12 February 2022.

This session started with a short speech from Rahayu Saraswati Djojohadikusumo, an activist, actress and politician who highlighted some important issues for youth today such as disinformation through online news, manipulated facts in our public discourse, challenges in our education system, and extreme poverty. Another speech was coming from Nara Masista Rakhmatia, an Indonesian diplomat to the United Nations, WTO, and other International Organizations in Geneva. She highlighted three major issues that relate to COVID-19 pandemic. Firstly, equal vaccine distribution that still needs to be raised to fight against the virus. Second, she also mentioned recovery of the world of work that was hardly affected by the pandemic and to build back better for all people, especially those who are in the most vulnerable situation. Third, improving gender equality is also her concern as the pandemic has influenced women in the world in many different ways, compared to men, ranging from loss of economic access and opportunities.

The last speaker is Nor Lastrina Hamid, the Co-Founder of Singapore Youth for Climate Action (SYCA). She was concerned that climate change has various effects and impacts for people on



the planet. One of the examples is sinking islands because of rising sea levels mainly in Southeast Asia. She added that cooperation between various ministries to promote opportunities for green growth and renewable energy is necessary. She made two points for youth participation in decision making. First, get involved in formal decision-making processes and second, step in to contribute to climate policies wherever we can. Moderated by Agatha Lydia, this session was successfully held with active involvement from Indonesian and Singaporean youth.

The six selected participants were given five minutes to present their concerning issues. Hereby below the themes of chosen short essays:

#### Indonesia



**Ariel Tandian**Sexual Harassment



**Arkan Diptyo** (Hidden) Pieces of Climate Puzzle



**Calvin Khoe**ASEAN is not Performing as It Hopes

### **Singapore**



**Aaron Tan**The United States-China Decoupling



**Clarence Ng**Economic Inequality



**Willie Wee**Disinformation Campaign



#### **Speakers**



Rahayu Saraswati Djojohadikusumo

Indonesian Activist, Politician, and Actress

Rahayu Saraswati Dhirakarya Djojohadikusumo is an Indonesian activist, politician, actress, and presenter. She was also a member of parliament at the House of Representatives of Indonesia. During her time as a member of the legislature, she fought for women and children right and against human trafficking.



Nor Lastrina Hamid

Co-Founder, Singapore Youth for Climate Action

Nor Lastrina Hamid is a co-founder of Singapore Youth for Climate Action. Lastrina has organised community events and worked with youths and volunteer groups for the past 10 years, Nor Lastrina Hamid has built an interest in climate issues and how people respond to climate impacts. In 2015, Lastrina co-founded Singapore Youth for Climate Action (SYCA) to engage youths in climate action or environment-related volunteerism



#### Nara Masista Rakhmatia

Indonesian Diplomat, Permanent Mission to the United Nations, WTO and other International Organizations

Nara Masista Rakhmatia (Nara) is an Indonesian diplomat currently assigned as a First Secretary at the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia for the United Nations, World Trade Organization, and Other International Organizations in Geneva, dealing mainly with labor and parliament issues as well as other additional responsibilities.

She joined the Ministry in 2008. She had been working on intra-regional cooperation in the Asia Pacific and Africa, including the New Asian-African Strategic Partnership (NAASP) and the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) for four years, when she then served as part of the APEC Indonesia 2013 National Organizing Committee. As her first overseas assignment, she served as a Third Secretary and Second Secretary (2014-2017) at the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations in New York, dealing with economic and development related issues. Prior to coming to Geneva, in 2017-2020 she was an Assistant Deputy Director for



the Program of Regional Organization at the Office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

#### **Moderator**



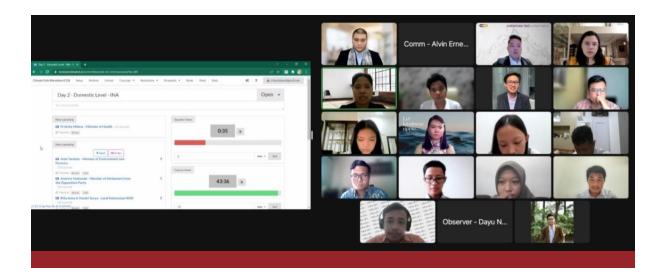
**Agatha Lydia Natania**Executive Director of ASEAN Youth Organization (A.Y.O.)

Agatha is the Executive Director of ASEAN Youth Organization (A.Y.O.), the largest youth-led organization in Southeast Asia that aims to promote youth development in the region. She is also a young peacebuilder from Indonesia who is passionate to conduct intercultural and interfaith programs. She has conducted and participated in national and international events to promote tolerance and youth development. Agatha is an International Relations graduate from Parahyangan Catholic University, Indonesia, focusing on international organizations. She was an awardee of the ERASMUS+ exchange program to TU Dortmund, Germany, and gained multicultural experiences through volunteering projects in Indonesia, the Philippines, and Colombia.





#### **Climate Crisis Simulation (CCS)**



#### **Best Participants**

Indonesia



Andrew William John Nathaniel
Nalar Institute

Singapore



Esther Yeoh University of Edinburgh

The Climate Crisis Simulation (CCS) session provides the participants from Indonesia and Singapore with a rare opportunity to experience a simplified version of the complicated interstate Foreign Policy Decision-Making (FPDM). The participants were allocated with positions, ranging from state officials, regional organization, private sector, experts, journalists, and Non-Governmental Organization (NGOs). The long process of real-life FPDM was compressed into three sessions, termed "days". Day one consists of two sessions, a domestic level discussion and an international one.

The first day simulates the early response from Indonesian and Singaporean state officials regarding the transboundary haze problem in each country. Day two consists of only a domestic level talk, which gathers various stakeholders with different interests, to produce a joint statement at the domestic level to represent the final position of its respective country. On the last day, the simulation introduces the participants to how a Joint Statement is produced in ASEAN-moderated setting. Through excellent moderation by Azalea Johannes and Esther Tamara, the participants successfully produced a Joint Statement at the end of the session.

#### **Facilitators**



Esther Tamara

Director of Climate Programs at Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia

Esther N.S. Tamara is Director of Climate Programs at Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia. Esther leads FPCI Climate Unit to rally grassroots and civil societies to get Indonesia to commit to net-zero emissions by 2050 through collaborations with various diplomatic missions in Indonesia. In this role, she also advises various international organizations such as Global Citizen, Global Alliance on Health and Pollution, and Sustainable World Inc. on Indonesia's climate policies.

Esther is also an Associate of Research & Analysis at FPCI, managing the think tank's United States, China, and Economics portfolio. She has authored a publication with ERIA (in press) and is co-author of ASEAN-China Survey 2020 & 2021. Esther is an Observer Research Foundation's Rasina Young Fellow 2022.



**Azalea Johannes** 

News Presenter & Producer at Metro TV

Azalea Johannes is a news presenter and producer for Metro TV based in Jakarta. She hosts Metro TV's English-language program World News. Born in the Indonesian capital and raised in Washington, DC, Azalea has covered issues ranging from U.S.-China relations to the climate crisis. Covering the environment, she has interviewed key policy consultants, activists, and politicians including the Jakarta governor.



#### **Crisis Solutions and Participants Assessment**

Beside the two amazing moderators, the CCS session is also joined by two prominent experts, namely Dr. Siwage Dharma Negara and Ms. Dayu Nirma Amurwanti. In an interactive discussion-based session, Dr. Siwage and Ms. Dayu mentioned the highlights of the session as well as the accuracy of each participant's contribution toward the discussion. With their past real-life involvement in the FPDM process, both figures provide meaningful and professional insights for the participants. The assessment by both experts are expected to imbue the participants with valuable understanding regarding the process, which may be useful in their future endeavours. After careful consideration, two participants' engagement (one from Indonesia and one from Singapore) in the session are awarded deemed the best among the others.

#### **Assessors**



**Dr. Siwage Dharma Negara**Senior Fellow at the ISEAS Yusof Ishak Institute

Dr. Negara received his PhD (Economics) from the University of Melbourne, Australia. He is Co-Coordinator for the Indonesia Studies Programme and Coordinator for the Singapore APEC Study Centre at the ISEAS Yusof Ishak Institute. He is an editorial member of the Journal of Southeast Asian Economies. His research focuses on macroeconomic and development issues, industrial and trade policies with a special focus on Indonesia. Before joining the institute, he has worked as a researcher at the Indonesian Institute of Sciences (LIPI) and economist consultant for the World Bank Office Jakarta.



Dayu Nirma Amurwanti
Lecturer at the International Relations Department of Binus University

Dayu Nirma Amurwanti is lecturer of Binus University focusing on Risk Analysis in International Relations also Indonesia's Trade Policies. Previously, she worked as officer of the country management unit of the World Bank Indonesia in 2013 – 2015. She held a position as an operations analyst of governance and anti-corruption at World Bank Office Jakarta in 2007- 2012. Currently she is working under the Embassy of Norway as Program Advisor of Climate and Forest.

#### **Brainstorming Session**

Brainstorming session is a brief session which requires the participants to answer the following question, "If you have given an authority, which aspect of your countries' foreign policy you would like to change?" The participants then put their thoughts into notes posted on an online mural. After several minutes of contemplation, the session moderator incited a discussion based on the answers. The first moderator, Alvin Ernesto, chose one answer from the Indonesian participants that he believed was the most intriguing answer. The participants then actively expressed their opinions about the answer. After the session for Indonesia, Rizky Liberty Siajaya as co-moderator continued the session by turning to the Singaporean answers, and a discussion was also started based on one Singaporean participant's answer that was deemed as the most interesting one.

#### **Singapore-Clarence Ng Kai Lun**

To focus our energies in pushing for further integration of the ASEAN economy by standardizing regional standards regarding sustainability, consumer goods, data, and the digital economy.

#### Singapore-Jun Hao Wong

I hope Singapore's foreign policy can be more aggressive in driving a green transition regionally and internationally, by firstly expediting its domestic transition. if you have given authority, which aspect of your countries' foreign policy you would like to change?

#### Singapore-Willie Wee Ye Chiang

Singapore's Minister for Foreign Affars could educate or share more of its policy direction and policy making process with the public so as to engender wider participation.

#### Indonesia-Edwin Winarko Canggadibrata

The Indonesian Minister for Foreign Affairs should involve more academics into its decision making. The free and active foreign policy can be re-interpreted to better fit the current international situation.

#### Indonesia-Priskila Millena

I would seek for Indonesia to highly focus on enhancing its capacity within the Global Maritime Fulcrum concept.

# Powerful Conversations with Leaders "How to be an Impactful Part of Society?"

Total attendees: 210



The Powerful Conversation with Leaders: How to be an Impactful Part of Society was the first powerful conversation session that was delivered by H.E. Dr. Sandiaga Salahudin Uno as Minister of Tourism and Creative Economy of the Republic of Indonesia. The purpose of this session is to have a conversation with Minister Sandiaga Uno and acquire his insight on how important youth is within the society. As one of Indonesia's young and leading figures, he often came up with creative and innovative policies and initiatives. With years of political and economic experiences, Minister Uno has definitely brought critical impacts to the nation and therefore invited to share some thoughts on it.

Minister Sandiaga Uno started the conversation with the current situation in Indonesia and the world. During the transition period from pandemic to endemic of COVID-19, volatility, uncertainty, complexity, and ambiguity will be a new normal. Tourism and the creative economy are the most impacted sectors during this transition period in which many Indonesian people are dependent on these sectors. Minister Uno has to ensure these sectors are being developed even amidst uncertain and vulnerable periods. He focuses on three main pillars in 2022 to make sure these sectors are able to keep on the development track, which are innovation, adaptation, and collaboration. Through these three main pillars, tourism and creative economic development will always be based on an evidence-based plan with contemporary technology utilization, also keen to adapt by implementing a new standard that prioritizes safety and environmental sustainability within these sectors and finally collaborate with stakeholders from all layers to ensure the policy stays on track.

"The role of the youth is going to be huge. They need to take a step forward to be the solutions, they need to innovate, they need to collaborate, and they need to continue to adapt and adjust. I would say young generations going forward need to be nimble, need to be quick, and able to pivot very quickly should this volatility, uncertainty, complexity, and ambiguity era" - Minister Sandiaga Uno





He emphasized how important youth in society is, the young generation of Gen Y and Z have the opportunity to take a role and step forward for a future generation change. Climate change, economic empowerment, and gender equality are the key issues that the young generation could play a significant role in. In this era, both Gen Y and Gen Z are not only looking for jobs, but they could create jobs to contribute to a broader society during this challenging era. He advised Indonesian and Singaporean youth to collaborate more to shape the future generation. The society's culture of both countries could be combined as a strong cultural assimilation. Indonesians have flexibility, innovative, and creative-minded people, and Singaporeans have professionalism and strong meritocracy. Therefore, he stated this event could become a bridge between two potential youth leaders in the future. Aside from the young generation's potentials, the main obstacle to developing their role is the culture of failure that they are afraid to fail before starting the action. Minister Uno said that the young generation should not be afraid to fail, but embrace the failure itself as a cost to achieve the goals in the future. He advised us to be proactive and move quickly because the future will not be waiting for us, instead we create the future itself.



"The session with Minister Sandiago Uno was enriching as shared with passion what youth can do to contribute in today's world—particularly liked what he said about collaborating together to build a more cohesive ASEAN. What's happening around us today is a stark reminder of the need to be cohesive and united, as Minister Sandi had highlighted. I thank Minister Sandi for joining us at our inaugural ISFPYT and look forward to meeting him in-person soon."-Dinesh Natarajan, Founder & CEO at Trident Strategy

#### **Speaker**



#### H.E. Dr. Sandiaga Salahuddin Uno

Minister for Tourism and Creative Economy of the Republic of Indonesia

Sandiaga Salahuddin Uno or better known as Sandiaga Uno is currently serving as the Indonesian Minister of Tourism and Creative Economy under Jokowi's presidency from 2020. Previously, he was elected as the Deputy Governor of Jakarta in 2017.

Sandiaga Uno graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration from Wichita State University. He acquired a Master of Business Administration from George Washington University, United States of America, and He earned his Doctorate of Research in Management from Universitas Pelita Harapan in 2021 with Cum Laude predicate.



# Powerful Conversations with Leaders "Shaping Youth as a Sharp and Visionary Leader for the Nation"

Total attendees: 258



The Powerful Conversation with Leaders: Shaping Youth as a Sharp and Visionary Leader for the Nation was the second part of our powerful conversation session that was delivered by Agus Harimurti Yudhoyono (AHY) as a Chairman of the Democratic Party. This session is designed to obtain Agus Yudhoyono' vision on how youth could be shaped as a sharp and visionary leader for the nation in the future. He is one of Indonesia's youngest political leaders which is a great example for the young generation to learn his insight and knowledge. His experience in military, education, and politics are supporting his undoubted competencies in shaping the upcoming state of development and growth of our nation.

AHY began the conversation with democracy and its challenges today and in the upcoming years. Youth must prepare to face the challenges and to take part of a democratic society. The young generation consists of Gen Y and Z are dominating the population in Indonesia with more than half of the total population. He encourages the young generation to be proactive in the political dynamics and democratization processes. In shaping youth's visionary and transformational leadership, he argued that youth must equip themselves with skills, think critically, creativity, innovation, and collaborate with various stakeholders that should be related to adaptive leadership competencies.

"I strongly believe that youth is power, "Muda adalah Kekuatan" in ideas and in actions youth represents opportunity to change, adapt, and challenge the status quo. Such a belief makes a large room for optimism. And hope for the future. I would like to invite all of us, especially the young generation of Indonesia and Singapore to prove that youth is power. Prove that young people have time, energy, and courage, the courage to get out of the comfort zone and make positive impacts."

- H.E Agus Harimurti Yudhovono





AHY indicates that youth will shape our society in almost all aspects either politically, economically, or socially. He advised in supporting the youth to keep pace with the transition era for volatility, uncertainty, complexity, and ambiguity. AHY argues that democracy is still the best system as a driving force of development of a diverse nation like Indonesia. Implementing a good system of democracy, we can ensure that every citizen will be treated equally, and the people's voices could be heard. Therefore, a transparent, accountable political system, and good governance can be established. Through a good democracy implementation, youth voices can be heard even taking a role as a leader to represent the large proposition of the young generation in a country's population.

#### **Speaker**



**Agus Harimurti Yudhoyono** Chairman of Democratic Party

Agus Harimurti Yudhoyono is the Chairman of the Democratic Party and the Executive Director of the Yudhoyono Institute. He obtained the Adhi Makayasa Medal, as the best graduate of the military academy in Indonesia. He was also graduated from the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies in S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Singapore in 2006, he continued his second Master's Degree in Public Administration at Harvard University, the United States in 2010, and he obtained his third Master's Degree in Leadership and Management at George H. Walker School of Business and Technology, Webster University, the United States in 2015 with Summa Cum Laude predicate. He is one of the founders of the University of Defense in Indonesia. He was also the Former Commander of the 203 Mechanized Infantry Battalion of the Indonesian Army. He competed in the 2017 Jakarta Governor Election, and he is currently active as one of the Young Politician Leaders in Indonesia.

#### **Moderator**



**Sisi Aspasia** Media Practitioner

Sisi Aspasia started her career as a media practitioner in CNN Indonesia.com in 2014, then continued her journey as a broadcaster with CNN Indonesia TV until 2022. During that period, she had remarkable experiences, particularly in political coverage. Moreover, these experiences led her to be a scholar and scholarship grantee from School Government and Public Policy at the Master Degree Program. At this time, she chooses to focus and grow for her career as a corporate communication specialist.



# Roundtable Discussion - Rethinking Indonesia & Singapore's Strategic Position Amidst the Straining United States-China Rivalry

Total attendees: 123



This roundtable discussion is designed to provide rich foreign policy and geopolitical conversations between prominent experts and participants. The invited prominent experts as session discussants are Prof. Chong Ja Ian, Prof. Aleksius Jemadu, Dr. Selina Ho, Irene Chan, and Aristyo Rizka Darmawan. The session is expecting all discussants including all participants to explore Indonesia and Singapore's strategic position amidst the straining United States and China rivalry. Both the U.S. and China are increasing their involvement in Asia-Pacific's geopolitical situation which is impacting both Indonesia and Singapore's foreign policy. In this session, all discussants delivered their thoughts on how Indonesia and Singapore should respond and act in facing over two major powers' influence.

"I see the current bipolarity, this new consolidated bipolarity as a very unstable one, this is very different from the conditions of bipolarity that made it stable during the Cold War. This kind of cold war condition for current stability bipolarity actually does not exist. Currently, the two superpowers are willing to accommodate each other alliances are unstable. The two superpowers are inward-looking and not able to provide global leadership as seen during the pandemic. And the domestic politics in both countries are actually very, very destabilizing."

- Dr. Selina Ho



Prof. Chong Ja Ian viewed Singapore, just like Indonesia, as a big beneficiary to the U.S. design and lead of the international system. The U.S. is seeking to continue to promote rules-based international order that somehow allows a certain degree of U.S. unilateralism. China on the other hand has become an economic and political juggernaut. Singapore, as an accurate price taker could get the best out of both sorts of the U.S.-established order and also China's initiatives. Dr. Selina Ho has seen the major powers between the U.S. and China nowadays



have a different kind of major powers between the U.S. and USSR during the Cold War that was clearly divided into two alliances with clear leadership dominant of those dominant powers. In the contemporary time, Singapore and also other middle powers could play a significant role to affect the major power initiatives and influences when their national or common interests are getting less or more affected.

Irene Chan viewed from Singapore's perspective that China has more advantages in ASEAN, especially over both Singapore and Indonesia with increasing trade partnerships in the region such as Belt & Road Initiatives (BRI) and the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP). China is now trying to charm this region(ASEAN) that Beijing is responsible for the crisis, especially during this COVID-19 pandemic. She argued that both Indonesia and Singapore have to stand firm and agree to disagree from time to time with great powers. The major powers are going to the competition is going to intensify, but, Indonesia and Singapore must look at our own national interests.

Prof. Aleksius Jemadu emphasized there are no real intentions of both the U.S. and China to change the nature of the rivalry into an open military conflict. Indonesia and other middle P=powers in ASEAN need to promote the idea of the centrality role of ASEAN, in providing all stakeholders to achieve a consensus that all of the disputed countries could abandon this rivalry situation into an open military conflict. Meanwhile, Aristyo Rizka Darmawan viewed Indonesia has a firm position to be free and keep neutrality in maintaining a middle position in the rivalry. Through ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific. Indonesia showed an interest in being in the middle of the rivalry. Indonesia, and also Singapore could stretch the cooperation to the U.S. and China for corporations and economic interests instead to maintain stability.



"The role of small and middle power like Singapore and Indonesia becomes indispensable, at least to develop institutional mechanisms for dialogue and sitting together to push more on the common interest and abandon any motive for domination or hegemony. In fact, that both Beijing and Washington can be persuaded"

- Prof. Aleksius Jemadu

#### **Speakers**



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Chong Ja Ian
Associate Professor of Political Science at National University of Singapore

Chong Ja Ian is an Associate Professor of political science at the National University of Singapore. He received his Ph.D. from Princeton University in 2008 and previously taught at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. His research covers the intersection of international and domestic politics, with a focus on the externalities of major power



competition, nationalism, regional order and security, contentious politics, and state formation. He works on US-China relations, security and order in Northeast and Southeast Asia, cross-strait relations, and Taiwan politics.



Prof. Dr. Aleksius Jemadu

Professor of International Relations at Universitas Pelita Harapan

Aleksius Jemadu has been a lecturer at Pelita Harapan University since 2009. He received his Bachelor's degree in International Relations from Gadjah Mada University, MA in Social Sciences from the University of Indonesia and Ph.D. degree from the Department of Political Sciences, Katholieke Universiteit (KU) Leuven, Belgium. Aleksius was a Research Fellow at Asia Research Institute (ARI), National University of Singapore (NUS) in 2004 and at the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies (currently Rajaratnam School of International Studies or RSIS), Singapore in 2005. In addition, He was also a visiting professor at the Master Program in Cultures and Development Studies (CADES) Faculty of Social Sciences KU Leuven and the University of Antwerp, Belgium in 2007.



Asst. Prof. Dr. Selina Ho

Assistant Professor at Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy

Selina Ho is Assistant Professor in International Affairs at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. She specializes in Chinese politics and foreign policy, with a focus on infrastructure politics and water disputes. Her work stands at the intersection of comparative politics and international relations.



#### Aristyo Rizka Darmawan

Lecturer in International Law at Universitas Indonesia

Aristyo Rizka Darmawan is a lecturer and senior researcher at the Center for Sustainable Ocean Policy at the University of Indonesia's Faculty of Law, where his research focuses on maritime security Asia and the Pacific. He has also obtained a Masters in International Law from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University.





Irene Chan Associate Research Fellow at S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies

Irene Chan is an Associate Research Fellow with the China Programme in the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS). She received her Bachelors of Arts in History from the Nanyang Technological University's National Institute of Education and her Master of Science in Asian Studies from RSIS. She has written commentaries for the Straits Times and RSIS. Her upcoming book chapters and journal articles on the new Chinese leadership and China's South China Sea policy, and China's Xinjiang Policy will be released in 2014 and 2015.

#### **Facilitator**



**Thomas Noto Suoneto**Founder of Foreign Policy Talks Discussion Club

Thomas Noto Suoneto is a foreign policy analyst and host of the Foreign Policy Talks Podcast. His area of interest is on East Asian Affairs, International Political Economy, Indonesia's Foreign Policy and Indonesia's relationships with major powers. Noto is an active writer on topics around foreign policy in numerous international outlets. He was the Director for Special Projects and Institutional Relations at Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia (FPCI), responsible for managing the cooperation with foreign embassies, international organizations and research institutions. Noto graduated with a Master in International Political Economy at the University of Birmingham, United Kingdom.





### **Networking Session**

Networking session is the last session of Indonesia-Singapore Foreign Policy Youth Talks 2022. The networking session connects participants, community partners, and other relevant partner organizations. We are hoping to facilitate and connect ISFPYT attendees beyond the event. This session acts as a sharing session where all stakeholders share their pain points, struggles, mission, and projects.

The networking session is divided into three break-out rooms; (i) academic & student affairs; (ii) business & economic affairs; (iii) leadership & diplomatic affairs. The meeting was started by a brief introduction from community partners and 31 ISFPYT participants, and continued by sharing their upcoming programs, challenges and organizational struggles. This event is facilitated by our in-house committees.





### **Attendees**

Room I. Academics & Students Affairs			
	Facilitators		
Alvin Ernesto	Lecturer at Binus University – ISFPYT Committee		
	Attendees		
Kayaka Davina	Binus International Relations Dialectic Society		
Matheus Aaron	Indonesian Student Association NUS		
Levonne	The Young SEAkers		
Didi Amzar Bin Harun	Political Science Society of NUS		
Brian Wong	Political Science Society of NUS		
Patrina Lim	Singapore Global Network		
Leonard Sim	ISFPYT Participant – Political Science Society of NUS		
Esther Yeoh	ISFPYT Participant – University of Edinburgh		
Amirahvelda Priyono	ISFPYT Committee – LASALLE College of the Arts		
Rizky L. Siajaya	ISFPYT Committee – Semar Sentinel		

Room II. Business & Economic Affairs		
Facilitators		
Albert Sutanto	CEO & Founder at PT. Tanaya Niaga Indonesia - ISFPYT Committee	
Attendees		
Pranav	ASEAN Business Youth Association	
Muhammad Ismail Sunni	OTA Community	
Stela Nau	Chevening Alumni Association Indonesia	
Calvin Wee	The Young SEAkers	
Amarai Izza Dermawan	Binus International Relations Dialectic Society	



Valerina Yeong	Singapore Global Network
Moxika	ISFPYT Participant – Asean Youth Organization
Clarence Ng	ISFPYT Participant – ASEAN Business Youth Association
Velda Wong	ISFPYT Participant – Ministry of Trade and Industry Singapore
Andrew William John Nathaniel	ISFPYT Participant – Nalar Institute
Hendri Surya Widcaksana	ISFPYT Participant – UNEP Major Group for Youth & Children
Glenn Wijaya	ISFPYT Participant – Christian Teo & Partners
Arkan Diptyo	ISFPYT Participant – Asia Group Advisors
Acyuta Jr.	ISFPYT Participant – Bandung Institute of Technology
Mohamed Fayyaz	ISFPYT Participant – National University of Singapore
Kuntara Ajie Pratama	ISFPYT Committee – PT Astra Honda Motors

Room III. Leadership & Diplomatic Affairs		
Facilitators		
Thomas Noto Suoneto	ISFPYT Project Director - B20 Indonesia	
Attendees		
Muhammad Fadhli	Indonesian Diaspora Network Global	
Michael	ASEAN Youth Organization	
Fellycia Alvira Simanjuntak	London School of Public Relations Youth Diplomacy Community	
Michael Victor Sianipar	Indonesian Youth Diplomacy	
Jeremy Gross	Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia	
Zi Xin	The Young SEAkers	
Rafter	UGM Asean Society	
Justin Ho Guo Shun	ISFPYT Participant – ASEAN Youth Organisation / ASEAN Business Youth Association	



Calvin Khoe	ISFPYT Participant – Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia
Rifia Azka Nabiilah	ISFPYT Participant – Padjajaran University
Adhari Koara	ISFPYT Participant – Australian National University
Kenneth Yeo	ISFPYT Participant – S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies
Edwin Canggadibrata	ISFPYT Participant – S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies
Rizki Nur Alifah Taufik	ISFPYT Participant – University of Indonesia
Hilmi Kartasasmita	ISFPYT Participant – Executive Office of The President of The Republic of Indonesia
Ariel Tandian	ISFPYT Participant – Centre for Indonesia-China Studies
Saishwar Thirumagan	ISFPYT Participant – The Young SEAkers
Mokhammad Ardafillah	ISFPYT Participant – ASEAN-Australia Strategic Youth Partnership (AASYP)
Ingmar Salim	ISFPYT Participant – Linkage Asia
Aaron Tan	ISFPYT Participant – Nanyang Technological University
Priskila Milena	ISFPYT Participant – Padjajaran University
Jun Hao	ISFPYT Participant – Nanyang Technological University



### **Best Participant of ISFPYT 2022**



**Arkan Diptyo**Asia Group Advisors

Arkan is an Economic Analyst for a Government Relations/Public Policy Consulting firm based in Jakarta, Indonesia. He holds prior experiences at a multinational management consulting firm and an EU-ASEAN focused advisory firm in Brussels, Belgium. Having studied Economics in Belgium and US, Arkan returned to Indonesia in 2019 and dived into work, aligning his passion for the environment to advancing projects about Green Economy.

"ISFPYT provides an outlet for young professionals and students to voice their opinions, network with new connections, and learn from experts and practitioners in leadership and foreign policy issues within the 21st-century context. The organizers have put their best in delivering a well-packed weekend as its inaugural edition."



### **What People Say About Us**

ISFPYT 2022 committee are pleased to have several endorsement messages from high-level figures and also testimonies from our selected participants

### **Endorsement Messages**



### **Ambassador Siti Nugraha Mauludiah**

Special Advisor to Indonesia's Foreign Ministry on Socio-culture and Diaspora Affairs

"Being the closest neighbour, Singapore society does not only share common values with Indonesian but our two countries both share responsibility of maintaining a strong region of Southeast Asia. Therefore, a dialogue between Indonesian youth and Singaporean one, will not only enhance mutual understanding for a more efficient collaboration and cooperation between our two countries but will also contribute to creating a more prosperous region of the SE Asia"



### **Shoeb Kagda**

Chairman of Singapore Chamber of Commerce Indonesia

"In today's fast paced world, information is everywhere, at the tip of our fingers. Indeed, we could say that society is facing an information overload. There is too much noise. It is thus important that young leaders go beyond information and just acquire skills to develop judgment, character and a calling. This can only be achieved by broadening your horizons and connecting with your peers who may have a different perspective and experience. In this regard, the Singapore-Indonesia Foreign Policy Youth Talks is an important bridge connecting youth in our two nations."



### Testimonies from our selected participants



**Andrew William John Nathaniel** 

Nalar Institute

"ISFPYT exceeded my expectations! It was a great opportunity to learn from so many remarkable speakers and go in-depth on current issues relevant to both countries and the region. I hope ISFPYT continues on to be a platform for Indonesia and Singapore's young leaders to make lasting connections and friends."



**Esther Yeoh**University of Edinburgh

"The Foreign Policy Talks event was insightful and it was a good learning experience. It was a jammed packed weekend full of good activity! I appreciated having panellists from diverse professional backgrounds bringing their expertise to the table. The Climate Crisis Simulation was also a nice way to engage with issues of critical concern between the two countries."



Hilmi H. Kartasasmita

Executive Office of The President of The Republic of Indonesia

"ISFPYT 2022 has been a delightful and enlightening two days. It was truly a pleasure meeting high calibre individual with like-minded yet diverse perspectives. The various speakers were also top-notch and insightful. Looking forward to more programs from ISFPYT."



#### **Our Committee Members**



Thomas Noto Suoneto
Project Director

Thomas Noto Suoneto is a foreign policy analyst and host of Foreign Policy Talks Podcast. His area of interest is on East Asian Affairs, International Political Economy, Indonesia's Foreign Policy and Indonesia's relationships with major powers. Noto is an active writer on topics around foreign policy in numerous international outlets. He was the Director for Special Projects and Institutional Relations at Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia (FPCI), responsible for managing the cooperation with foreign embassies, international organizations and research institutions. Noto graduated with a Master in International Political Economy at the University of Birmingham, United Kingdom.



Stanislaus Ivan Gunawan
Project Assistant

Stanislaus Ivan Gunawan is a tech and business development enthusiast. Currently, he is working as a Commercial Associate at one of the biggest healthcare companies in Indonesia. Previously, he also worked as Business Development staff in several companies, and interned in Indonesian Ministry of Trade during his bachelor. He graduated from BINUS University majoring in International Relations.



**Kuntara Ajie Pratama** Session Manager

Kuntara Ajie Pratama is an Export Planning Analyst of the Overseas Business Division at one of the largest automotive manufacturers in Indonesia. He completed his internship at the NCB INTERPOL Indonesia and participated as a committee at the 85th INTERPOL General Assembly with more than 190 member countries joining the assembly in Bali, Indonesia. He is highly experienced in B2B Development and Management, B2B Legal Process, Overseas Business Management, Custom Clearance Management, International Security, and Political Analysis. Kuntara holds a Bachelor of International Relations focused on International Security from BINUS University.





**Alvin Ernesto** Session Manager

Alvin Ernesto is a Lecturer in the International Relations Department of BINUS University. He is strongly interested in geopolitical phenomena in the Southeast Asian region and also developmental issues in Indonesia. Apart from being a lecturer, Alvin is working at one of the ODA agencies under the Korean government as the Project Assistant Manager. He is mainly responsible for engaging with the government sector, and other relevant counterparts in facilitating the implementation of several strategic national development projects in Indonesia. Alvin holds a master degree in International Relations and International Business from the University of Nottingham Ningbo China (UNNC).



**Amirahvelda Priyono** Session Manager

Amirahvelda Priyono is currently a MA student of Asian Art Histories at the Lasalle College of the Arts, Singapore. She is interested in the art history of French colonialism in Southeast Asia including Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos. She has published several articles about Southeast Asian contemporary art in various online media based in the UK, France, and Russia.



**Rizky Liberty Siajaya** Session Officer

Rizky is currently taking International Relations as his undergraduate study at Bina Nusantara (BINUS) University. To enrich his knowledge and skills, he involves himself in various organizations and events related to IR. At the present time, He is intrigued by topics about Asian countries' gastro-diplomacy and national identity, as well as media studies in international politics.





**Albert Sutanto**External Relationships Manager

Albert is an aspiring businessperson currently focusing on the construction industry and spice trade. He also occasionally invests in underprivileged individuals to build businesses. He has remarkable experiences of working at human resources and innovation consultancy in Singapore. He was also an active student as he led a few organizations in his student times.



Nindita Windriyani Putri External Relationships Officer

Nindita is currently pursuing International Relations for her bachelor's degree at BINUS University, Jakarta, Indonesia. She has a deep interest in topics such as international political economy, business & trade, soft-power diplomacy, and Asia's development. Aside from being a student, she is also very active in organizations that focus on foreign affairs studies.



**Dea Salsabila Defri** Media Officer

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