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Message from

The Executive Director



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The ASEAN Studies Center was founded in 2012 by the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences at Universitas Gadjah Mada and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia. Our organization adheres to the Tri Dharma Principles, which incorporate ASEAN studies.

We are committed to researching, examining, and scrutinizing problems pertaining to the three pillars of ASEAN. To follow the relevance of the ASEAN Community Vision 2025, we are also committed to being the University's leader in ASEAN issues through our programs, publications, outreach, and research collaboration with the government, other universities, and International Organizations.

In an effort to increase the sense of belonging among ASEAN citizens beginning in Indonesia, the Center promotes the hashtag **#BringingASEANCloserToYou**. This issue is highly pertinent to the efforts of ASEAN Member States to unite the rich culture and diversity of its people into a common ASEAN identity, without supplanting their inherent national identities.

In 2022, our core agendas are focused on the preparation of Indonesia's ASEAN Chairmanship that will be commenced in 2023. We are committed to provide the government and other ASEAN sectoral bodies with academical approaches including webinars, consultations, researches, and knowledge productions. We hope, that the outputs of our projects will beneficial for the development of ASEAN and support Indonesia's ASEAN Chairmanship 2023.



We are delighted to welcome Indonesia's ASEAN Chairmanship 2023 and dedicated to support the national agendas towards this special occasion.

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Bringing **ASEAN** Closer to You

The current going agenda of ASEAN member countries is the ASEAN Community Vision 2025 which has been unveiled since 2015. To extent of several years ahead, each member country should gradually enhance its society for a more cohesive, integrative, and unitive regime in Southeast Asia. Regarding this constructive agenda, it is necessarily important to understand what has happened, happening, and will happen next along the path of the ASEAN community.

On the other hand, approaching the diversity between people of the ASEAN countries should be followed by the high implementation of the ASEAN way as the common path. We, the people of ASEAN communities, are being given the responsibility to adhere to the sense of common tenure. Therefore, the tagline **#BringingASEANCloserToYou** can be the first stepping stone in envisioning the future of the ASEAN community.

Our vision is generating critical scientific research and enhance the position and contribution of Indonesia in the ASEAN. Besides, we tend to develop institutional capacity that are able to enhance institutional development as well as the local capacity to meet ASEAN regionalization process.

Our **Team**



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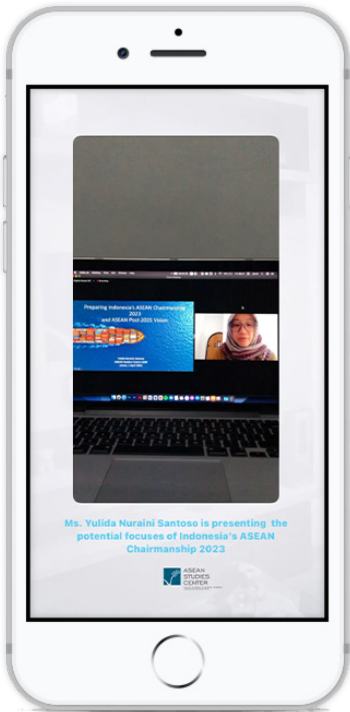
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Department of Social Development and Welfare

Pulung Setiosuci Perbawani, S.IP, M.M

Department of Communication Sciences

Focus Group Discussion - Coordinating Ministry of Economic Affairs
Preparing Indonesia's ASEAN Chairmanship 2023 and ASEAN Post-2025 Vision"
 Friday, April 1st 2022



Ahead of Indonesia's ASEAN Chairmanship in 2023, an AFGD was held to seek insights on regional and national strategic issues for Indonesia's ASEAN Chairmanship in 2023, refine the proposed indicative PEDs, create a network of experts as partners for Indonesia's 2023 Chairmanship and generate insights for the work of charting the direction in formulating the ASEAN Post-2025 Vision, particularly within the economic pillar.

The Center was represented by Managing Director, Yulida Nuraini Santoso who highlighted the importance of supporting a creative and digital economy as the future of sustainable economic development, the involvement of Track 2 and Track 5 in policy-making, and taking advantage of the outcomes of the on going G20 meetings in the Digital Economy Working Group as this will help to build the momentum for Indonesia's Chairmanship the following year.

The FGD is hoped to provide guidance towards a draft of strategic thrusts and PEDs for Indonesia's 2023 ASEAN Chairmanship and core elements for the ASEAN Post-2025 Vision under the ASEAN Economic Community Council.

2022 Asian Studies+ President Forum National Chengchi University
Asian Studies' Past, Present and Future in a Global Network
 Monday, May 9th 2022

President's Forum was held among ten universities and higher education institutions to speak on the importance of Asia and studies of the Asian and ASEAN region. The objective of the Forum was to invite presidents to present and share their universities' current developments and prospects in Asian Studies and engage in an exchange of ideas on the vision and possibility of establishing a global alliance for Asian Studies in the future.

Universitas Gadjah Mada is supported by the work of the ASEAN Studies Centre in bringing together researchers and salient issues

for discussion and research. The meeting was attended by representatives of Sungkyunkwan University, University of Haifa, University of Trier, Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales, and SOAS of the University of London.



Institutional Visits

Korean Institute for ASEAN Studies - Busan University of Foreign Affairs

Tuesday, July 26th 2022



The ASEAN Studies Centre had the pleasure of welcoming the delegation from KIAS BUFS in the event of the signing of an MOU between both institutions. The signing of the MOU signified an already close relationship between the two institutions. In the remarks of all the parties, it was continuously mentioned that exchange of knowledge and cooperation in research will not only benefit the parties at hand but also the epistemic community of ASEAN and Korean studies.

Coordinating Ministry of Human Development and Cultural Affairs Indonesia

Tuesday, August 2nd 2022



A visit was made by the Coordinating Ministry of Human Development and Cultural Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia (Kemenko PMK) ahead of the ASEAN Indonesian Chairmanship in 2023.

In light of Chairmanship, the Ministry planned to hold a national-level consultation forum, with the aid of the IIS and ASC, to discuss pertinent issues under the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) and gather input from its participants. A number of strategic areas of discussion include, but are not limited to, the field of labor, environment, gender, youth, disaster management and humanitarian aid.

People's Republic of China's Mission to ASEAN

Friday, November 18th 2022



A visitation of the People's Republic of China's Mission to ASEAN to the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences was held on Friday, 18 November 2022. This event was also to officiate a donation made in the name of the Centre, in the form of office equipment. The meeting discussed recent events in the world including the impacts of the pandemic and how cooperation can help boost recovery in aspects of socio-economy. The donation symbolized a long-standing cooperation between the two institutions in the aim of achieving impacts through strong research on ASEAN.

Network on ASEAN-China Think-Tanks



The Network of ASEAN-China Think-Tanks (**NACT**) was proposed by Chinese Premier **Li Keqiang** in 2013 to contribute scholarly work to the “diamond decade” of China-ASEAN strategic partnership and to construct a China-ASEAN community of shared future. Launched in 2014 a three-level working mechanism (Country Coordinator’s Meeting, Working Group Meeting, and Annual Seminar) and a regional network of Think-Tanks have been developed. NACT promotes joint studies on ASEAN-China relations, strengthens people-to-people relationships, and supplements Track I diplomacy as a regular and formalized platform for Think-Tank cooperation.

Annual Country Coordinators Meeting and Seminar

The NACT Country Coordinators met in to plan NACT Working Group activities and themes for 2022. The meeting was co-hosted by Cambodia and China. In June and July, NACT Indonesia and NACT Cambodia will co-host NACT WG meetings.

On the same afternoon, the Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace of NACT Cambodia and the China Foreign Affairs University of NACT China co-chaired the NACT Seminar on ASEAN Centrality and ASEAN-China Comprehensive Strategic Partnership. NACT Indonesia’s Managing Director, **Yulida Nuraini Santoso**, presented a paper titled *“Understanding the ASEAN-China Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP): Is Jakarta Steadily Warming Up to Beijing?”* The presentation emphasized what the CSP meant for ASEAN and China in Indonesia. The COVID-19 turned Indonesia-China political relations around and brought the two countries closer.

The seminar convened at 13.15 (GMT+7) and was attended by all eleven members of the NACT WG. The discussion would be reflected in a Report which would then be elevated for the reference of ASEAN and China Leaders.

Thursday
April 7th 2022

Thursday
June 7th 2022

NACT Working Group Meeting

"ASEAN-China Partnership: Mainstreaming the ASEAN Blue Economy to Accelerate Post-pandemic Recovery"

The ASEAN Studies Center, representing NACT Indonesia, held a working group-level meeting of the NACT on ASEAN-China Partnership: Mainstreaming the ASEAN Blue Economy to Accelerate Post-pandemic Recovery. The meeting was held virtually and convened with opening remarks by Executive Director, [Dr. Dafri Agussalim](#). The meeting was attended by all eleven members of the NACT and was closed by remarks by the Director of NACT China, [Dr. Guo Yanjun](#).

The meeting was divided into three panels which represented each ASEAN Community, namely the ASEAN Political-Security Community (APSC), ASEAN Economic Community (AEC), and the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC). The aim was to gain a deeper understanding of the Blue Economy and what it means for ASEAN member states and China, understand the challenges in coastal and marine resources and identify best practices from NACT members and China as well as to provide collaborative recommendations and furthermore, seek possible strategic plans that the ASEAN Member States and China can utilize as a basis for mutually beneficial cooperation.



Training of Trainers (TOT) International Graduate Programme on ASEAN Community Studies (IGPACS)

Thursday, July 28th 2022

IGPACS

In collaboration with the Graduate Programme of the Department of International Relations, the Center held a TOT with the aim of preparing for the establishment of IGPACS. The training invited a wide array of participants from various universities, think tanks, and research communities. The discussions touched upon numerous issues regarding ASEAN studies, challenges and opportunities of graduate studies post-pandemic, and recent trends in the academic institutions. The discussions would serve as an important foundation for the further development of the IGPACS programme which is set to be opened in 2023.

National Consultation Forum on ASEAN Socio-Cultural Pillar

Coordinating Ministry of Human Development and Cultural Affairs

Friday, November 11th, 2022

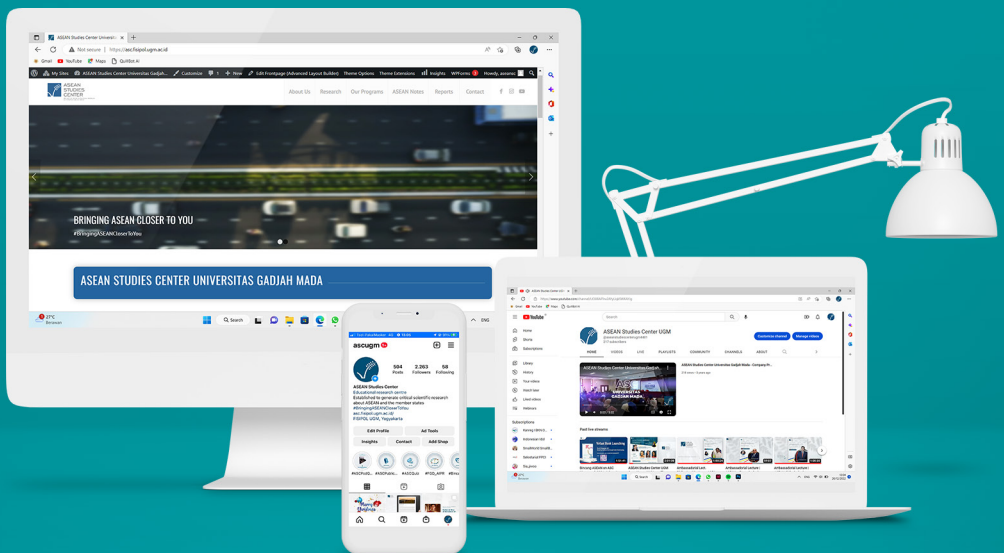
In light of the ASEAN Indonesia Chairmanship in 2023, the Coordinating Ministry of Human Development and Cultural Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia, in collaboration with the ASEAN Studies Centre and the Institute of International Studies (IIS UGM) held a National Consultation Forum inviting representatives from various Ministries, ASEAN Studies Centers across Indonesia, and universities. The event was commenced by an opening speech from Minister Muhadjir Effendy before multi-stakeholder panel on “Bringing ASEAN Closer to the People” inviting a number of representatives from the ASEAN Secretariat, ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children (ACWC), Resident Director Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Indonesia, Universitas Gadjah Mada, and Belantara Budaya Indonesia.



The second and third panels discussed key priorities from sectoral bodies including issues of health, labor, women and children, environment, disaster management, and youth. All three panels were moderated by Universitas Gadjah Mada and were closed with key takeaways from Executive Director, [Dr. Dafri Agussalim](#).

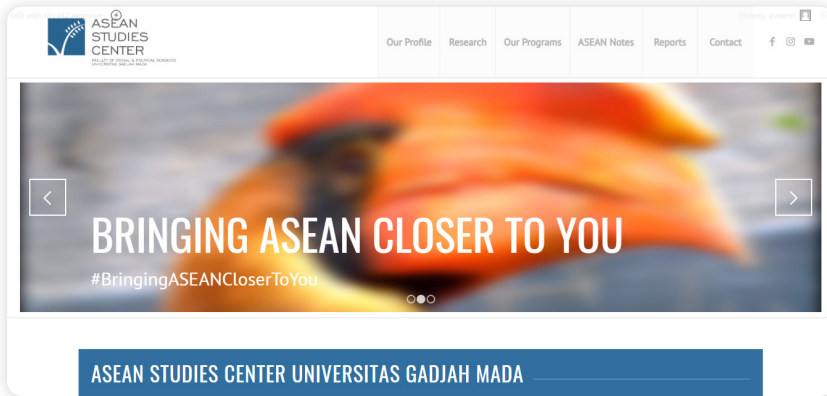
Media Outreach

Website | Podcasts | Social Media



Website Engagement

Social media and website have been developed to support the objectives and work of ASEAN Studies Center Gadjah Mada. Website and social media are the effective platforms to disseminate information and expand the network and outreach of the center to stakeholders. With the support of Directorate of System and Information Resource Universitas Gadjah Mada, the website has been developed and managed to provides general information about the center. (asc.fisipol.ugm.ac.id)



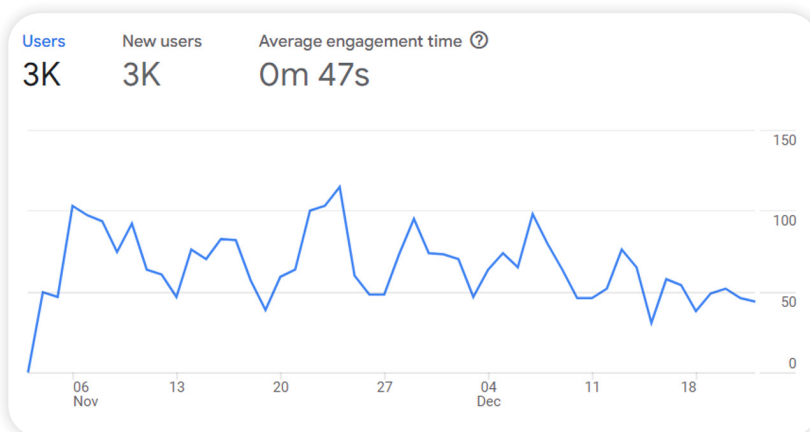
User Activities

3,001  New Users

4,394  Sessions

Per Nov 3rd - Dec 23rd 2022

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Users' Location of Origins



Most Visited Pages

Page title and screen class	Views	Users	Views per user	Average engagement time	Event count
	4,873 100% of total	3,001 100% of total	1.62 Avg 0%	0m 47s Avg 0%	18,836 100% of total
1 ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) dan Dialog Antar-Agama: Sebuah Tinjauan Kritis – ASEAN Studies Center Universitas Gadjah Mada	508	417	1.22	0m 26s	1,896
2 ASEAN Studies Center Universitas Gadjah Mada	271	174	1.56	0m 29s	1,014
3 The Challenges of Indonesia's Palm Oil Industry: An Overview – ASEAN Studies Center Universitas Gadjah Mada	262	167	1.57	0m 45s	1,077
4 Timor-Leste's ASEAN Membership: To Be or Not to Be? – ASEAN Studies Center Universitas Gadjah Mada	254	173	1.47	0m 54s	974
5 Amicable Solutions to Philippines' Sovereignty Claim Over Malaysia's Sabah – ASEAN Studies Center Universitas Gadjah Mada	230	160	1.44	1m 06s	893

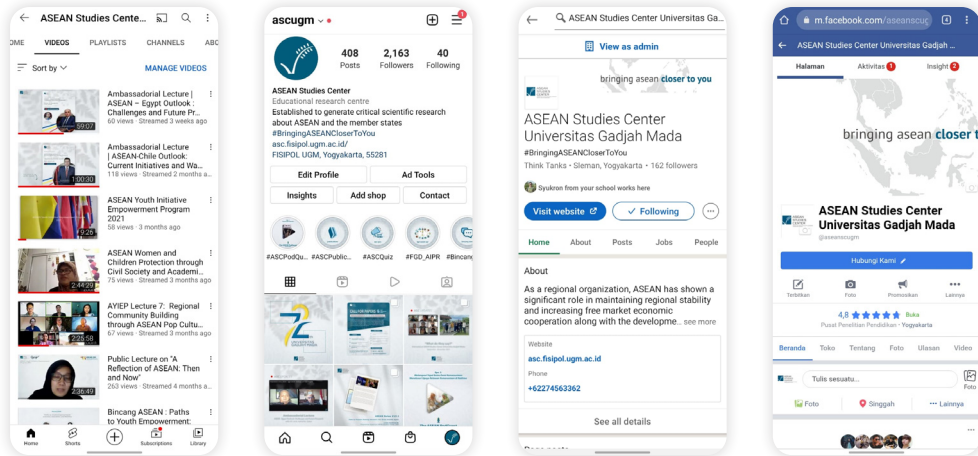
4,873 Visits

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Social Media Outreach

On Social Media, ASEAN Studies Center has launched several account to reach larger audiences on Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn, and YouTube Channel.



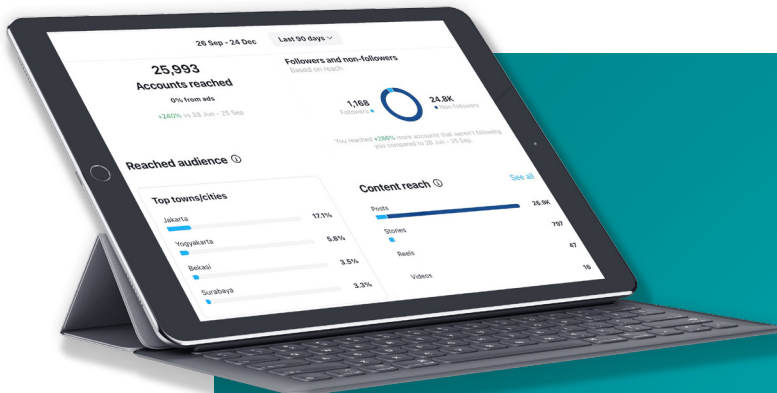
Social Media Insights

25,993 (+240%)
Accounts reached

651 (+35%)
Accounts engaged

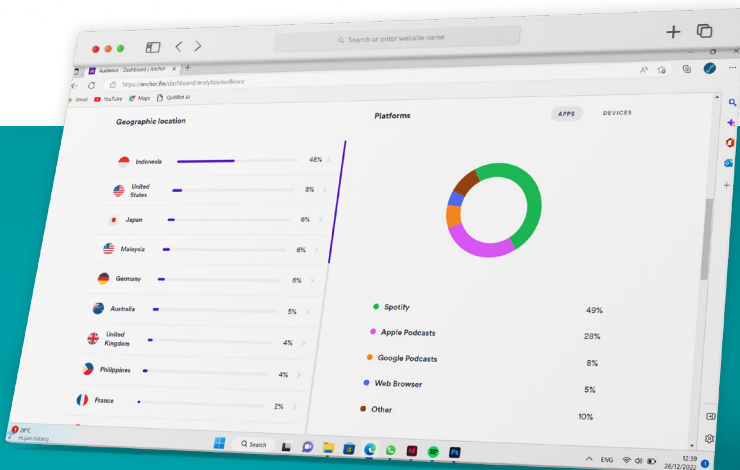
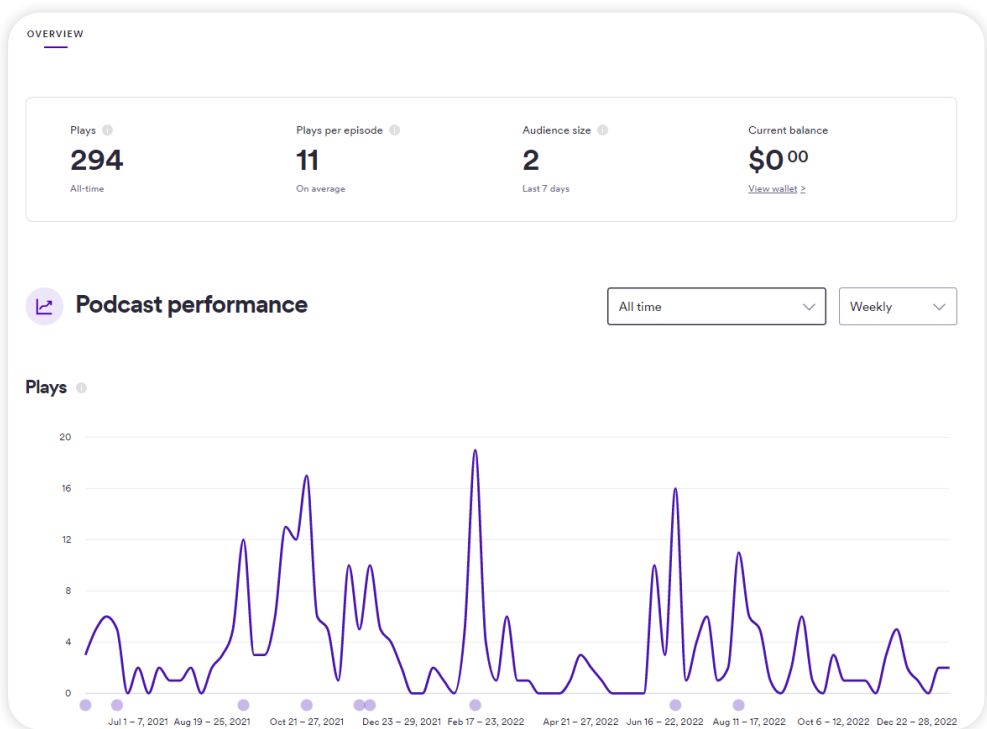
**Last 90 Days Oct-Dec 2022

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Podcast Performance

The ASEAN PodQuest is an audio streaming platform provided by ASEAN Studies Center Universitas Gadjah Mada to discuss questions on the latest issues in ASEAN, through critical and academical approach by inviting experts, academia, politician, and practitioners to give numerous perspective regarding the discussion. The ASEAN PodQuest is available to be streamed on [Spotify](#), [Apple Podcast](#), and [Google Podcast](#).



Programme and Events

Ambassadorial Lectures | Bincang ASEAN | Webinars | Internship

Bincang ASEAN
"Mengungkap Tabir Perlindungan Informal Dibalik Praktek Non-Recording pada Penanganan Pengungsi dan Pencari Suaka"
Friday, August 5th, 2022

Ambassadorial Lecture
The Philippine Mission to ASEAN
1 January 2022
2:00 PM (GMT +7)
H.E. Amb. Noel Servigon
Philippine Permanent Representative to ASEAN

Bincang ASEAN
Disaster Risk Management:
Measure the Readiness of Member Countries
in Dealing with Disasters
Friday, July 15th, 2022

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Dr. Daniel Patis
Tunggal Wilaksana, M.A.
Moderator

Register now!
[agn.id/BAJuly15](#)

15 JUL 2022 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM WIB (GMT+7) zoom

Bincang ASEAN on Book Lancing
"ASC Monograph 2021: Advancing Southeast Asia through Gender Mainstreaming"
Tuesday, September 13th, 2022

SPEAKERS
DISCUSSANTS
MODERATOR
REGISTER NOW!
[agn.id/RegBASCMon2022](#)

13 SEP 2022 01:00 - 03:00 PM WIB (GMT+7) zoom

Ambassadorial Lecture

"Improving the Implementation of the ASEAN Charter"
Friday, January 21st 2022



To start the year 2022, an Ambassadorial Lecture by **H.E. Ambassador Noel Servigon**, Permanent Representative of the Philippines to ASEAN was held to discuss the ASEAN Charter. The Lecture was held on Friday, 21 January 2022.

The Lecture looked at the various mechanisms of ASEAN as provided by the ASEAN Charter and which of the many Articles required further implementation. Ambassador Noel Servigon highlighted the need for more discussions to take place to strengthen discourses of a rules-based community and bring people together.

ASEAN Studies Center UGM Open House Webinar

"The Engagement of Academia in Community Building"
Friday, February 25th 2022



The webinar was purposed to introduce the work of the Centre and closely engage the academic community, partners, think tanks, and the general public. This open house showcased some of the Centre's recent efforts through the screening of an introductory video. The screening was followed by a talk show-styled discussion on Engaging Academia in the Community Building of ASEAN.

The discussion touched upon issues of the role of academia in shaping foreign policies, imminent issues which require the attention of ASEAN researchers and the academic community, possible ways to better engage communities to revive the ASEAN (or regional) spirit, ways that the academic community partner and collaborate with like-minded institutions to carry out better research and engage emerging critical issues.

Virtual Book Launching

ASC UGM Monograph 2021: Advancing Southeast Asia Through Gender Mainstreaming
Tuesday, September 13th 2022



In this virtual book launching event, all contributors to the monograph were invited to the webinar to discuss their findings and complete the discourses on Southeast Asia's effort in mainstreaming gender alongside the editor and the audience.

In addition to the authors, the editorial boards' As discussants, **H.E. Yuyun Wahyuningrum** of AICHR and **Joel Mark Baysa-Barredo** of Mahidol University have been invited to join the conversation. The discussion focuses on the findings and completes the editor's and audience's discourses on Southeast Asia's efforts to mainstream gender.

Bincang ASEAN Series

- *Disaster Risk Management: Measure the Readiness of Member Countries in Dealing with Disasters*
Friday, July 15th 2022



The webinar aimed to reveal how ASEAN and the member states managed the programme and policy regarding disaster-prone regions. **Dr. Daniel Petz** was invited as a keynote speaker to present the current trends on disaster risk management, capacities, and challenges on Southeast Asian countries. As the issue's discussant, **Mr. Septyanto Galan Prakosa** also responded to the presentation.

To sum up, this webinar successfully revealed that the Disaster Risk Management (DRM) has evolved along with its reduction measures and the previously established system for people and communities. However, challenges remain at the local, national, and regional levels regarding climate change adaptation and resilience building.

- *Mengungkap Tabir Perlindungan Informal Dibalik Praktek Non-Recording pada Penanganan Pengungsi dan Pencari Suaka*
Friday, August 5th 2022

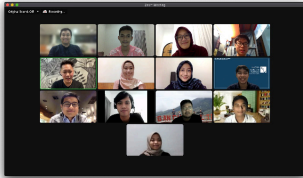


The webinar was pupposed to discuss Non-Recording practices in a number of Southeast Asian nations. This discussion examined the applicability of this practice to the current process of handling refugees from Indonesia and ASEAN member states, as well as the framework that ASEAN already has in place regarding efforts to p rotect and safeguard refugees.

In 2021, Southeast Asia hosted more than 2 million refugees, the majority of whom settled in Malaysia, followed by Thailand (96,175 refugees) and Indonesia (10,067 refugees). Only Cambodia, the Philippines, and Timor-Leste among the 10 ASEAN members have ratified the UN convention and protocol on refugees.

Halal bi Halal and 9 Years Anniversary Celebration

Tuesday, September 13th 2022



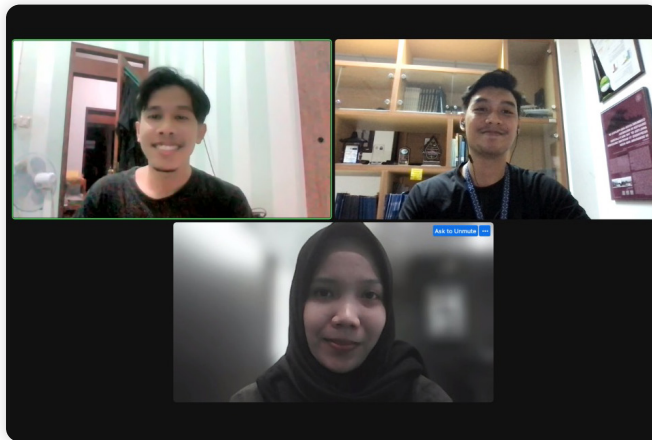
ASC UGM was established on 29th April 2013 by the cooperation of the Directorate of ASEAN Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic Indonesia, and the Faculty of Social and Political Science Universitas Gadjah Mada.

It's been 9 years since its establishment, ASC UGM has many achievements in research and publications that contribute to the sciences development and policy formulation in Indonesia regarding ASEAN matters. Besides, ASC UGM also successfully conducted a series of events that could [#BringingASEANCloserToYou](#).

On Monday May 9, 2022 ASC UGM invited alumni of the center to join the celebration of the 9th year anniversary. at the same time this event is also become the moment to maintain our communication with the alumni and celebrating the moment of Eid Al-Fitr in Halal bi Halal.

Internship at ASEAN Studies Center UGM

Intake June - August 2022 in Programme Division



In this period, ASC UGM has accepted 2 students for a three-month internship programme with the opportunity to develop their professional and inter-personal skills. They are [Ferdian Ahya](#) from the Department of International Relations UGM (Master Programme) and [Vanya Gerina](#) from the Department of Economic Universitas Islam Indonesia.

They assisted the Programme Division in the day-to-day task, and are expected to contribute several innovation on the Center's development in programmatic event. They are also provided with several learning materials regarding project management from the Program Manager.

Technical Working Group 2022

Strengthening Indonesia's Leadership for the Promotion and Protection of Women and Children in ASEAN (2022 - 2023)

In light of the pandemic, the efforts of the ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children (ACWC) has become even more crucial in advancing women's and children's rights fulfillment in ASEAN. Indonesia, through its representatives, is one of the most active members of the Commission with a range of engagements and initiations.

With the Indonesia ASEAN Chairmanship set to commence in 2022, much is needed to continue to push for a safe and thriving environment for the women and children of the region. The proactive role of civil society organizations (CSO) and academia to support this agenda is paramount to this effort. With ACWC being a key regional advocate, a technical working group (TWG) is initiated, by the ASEAN Studies Center, to bring together the hands-on experiences possessed by CSOs and critical insight of academia through a roadmap coalition to support the work of ACWC Indonesia. To this end, the TWG aims to contribute to an inclusive, empowered, grounded, and issue capacitated ACWC Indonesia.

The technical working group through the Coalition Roadmap will look at ways these entities can come together and pool rich expertises from across the nation. The TWG will stock take and elaborate on ways to enrich ACWCs pool of partners and experts. It will discuss urgent issues and gather policy advice to design a comprehensive roadmap in support of the work of the ACWC Indonesia. On a greater scope, the TWG hopes to serve as a model for regular communication and policy discussions between the ACWC Indonesia and its constituents.

Prior to this, ASC UGM conducted a preliminary survey to identify the most pressing issues according to the ACWC work plan. The topics were:

Handling Victims of Trafficking in Women and Children

Ending Child, Early, and Forced Marriage (CEFM)



PROJECT OBJECTIVES

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Analyze the current situation of urgent issue in the thematic area ACWC Work Plan In Indonesia

Identify needs that have arisen along with the growing situation of the issue

Map the work partners at field level in response to needs, supporting government, and coordinate activities to minimize the duplication and ensure coverage of needs

Share best practices and support at a technical level



Research and Publications

Journal | The ASEAN PodQuest | Monograph | Research Grant |
External Publications | Media Interviews



Journal Publication

“Achieving Sustainable Development Goals by 2030: Reducing the Gap of Inequality”
Journal of ASEAN Studies Vol. 3 2021

A journal article titled **“Achieving Sustainable Development Goals by 2030: Reducing the Gap of Inequality”** written by **Yulida Nuraini Santoso** (Managing Director at the ASEAN Studies Center) and **Tunggul Wicaksono** (Research Manager at the ASEAN Studies Center) has been published by the Journal of ASEAN Studies (Volume 3, 2021) as a follow-up of the Network on ASEAN-China Think Tanks. The article examines the study case of Indonesia and China business relations as part of the international free trade initiative.

Moreover, the article analyzes the ongoing cooperation in the regionalization sense, where territorial dispute remains an unresolved issue. Furthermore, the authors arrange plans of action in order to achieve economic sustainability in the long term in combating inequality and accommodating a proportional economic partnership.



Journal Publication

Journal of ASEAN Studies (Volume 3, 2021)
 Network on ASEAN-China Think-Tanks

Download at

<https://cari.gxu.edu.cn/dmyjjk.htm>



ASC Monograph 2021

"Advancing Southeast Asia Through Gender Mainstreaming"



ASC Monograph 2021 brought the theme Advancing Southeast Asia Through Gender Mainstreaming, highlighting the strategy to ensure the adoption of gender-sensitive legislation to fulfill gender equality by the international organization.

Gender inequality has become a salient issue considering that most societies in Southeast Asia are predominantly patriarchal, not to mention the immense occurrence of gender-based violence in the region. Thus, it raised an urgency to push for a greater role of ASEAN in increasing member states' commitment and awareness of Gender Mainstreaming and intensifying cooperation between member states in the effort to eradicate gender-based alarming issues.

It is argued that current policy initiatives failed to capture the experience of gender minorities. Gender inequality has become a salient issue in Southeast Asia which is predominantly patriarchal, not to mention the immense occurrence of gender-based violence in the region. Hence, it raised the urgency and demand for more significant consideration in eradicating gender-based issues and intensifying cooperation among ASEAN member states.

To respond to this issue, the ASEAN Studies Center Universitas Gadjah Mada proudly publish the ASC Monograph 2021: Advancing Southeast Asia through Gender Mainstreaming, which consisted of an opening chapter written by Joel Mark Baysa-Barredo, 10 manuscripts of gender mainstreaming stories around Southeast Asia, and one closing chapter authored by H.E. Yuyun Wahyuningrum.

Gender Based Violence Against Women in South-East Asia: A Comparative Study of Conditions for Policy Reform in ASEAN.
Mia Hyun

Addressing Gender-based Violence against Women in Malaysia During The Pandemic
Haszreena Begum binti Abdul Hamid

State Neglect in the Protection of the Reproductive Rights of Women Workers in the Garment Industry: A Case Study of Women Production Workers in the Setu Garment Factory, West Java
Vanesha Febrilly

Why Class and Identity Matter: Learning from Successful Advocacy of the Former Women Migrant Workers Alliance in Tracap Village, Wonosobo District
An'ngam Khalifi

Understanding the Urgent Needs of Social and Political Support Towards Single Motherhood: Case Study on Single Moms Indonesia (SMI) Community
Durrotul Mas'udah and Syukron Subkhi

Transnational Advocacy Networks on the SDGs Agenda in Indonesia: Eradication of Violence Against Women and Gender-Based Discrimination
Cinlitya Auditori Fathin and Ashilly Achidisti

Strengthening Gender Mainstreaming through Feminist Audits: Gender Inequality in the Workforce in ASEAN
Christindyah Clarasanti Panjaitan and Tunjung Wijnarka

A Gender Analysis Of Access To Cesta Basica (Food Basket): A Case Study Of Timor-Leste
Chen Li-Li and Martinho Martins

Challenges to the Implementation of Laws and Policies on Gender Equality and the Right to Food in Cambodia
Bluy Soe Ngeov

Sexual Orientation and Imprisonment: A Case Study of the Pink Prison in Thailand
Wending Zhang

The digital version of this monograph could be easily accessed through this link.

ugm.id/ascmonograph2021

FISIPOL Research Grant 2022

"Knowledge Sharing of Halal Tourism for Empowerment Tourism Villages in Yogyakarta"

ASEAN Studies Center Universitas Gadjah Mada received a research grant from the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences Universitas Gadjah Mada in the form of Community Service Program. The research raising the theme of *"Knowledge Sharing of Halal Tourism for Empowerment Tourism Villages in Yogyakarta City"*.

● *Focus Group Discussion*

This research activity through knowledge sharing of halal tourism was held in the tourism villages of Kauman, Tamansari, Purbayan, Brontokusuman and Pakualaman. The long-term target of this activity is to eradicate poverty in rural communities in Yogyakarta through the economic empowerment of independent halal tourism-based tourism village businesses, with the support of stakeholders (triple-helix). In the short term, this research activity is targeted to achieve at least three things: **(a) increasing knowledge and awareness about halal tourism among tourism village businessmen through boot camp activities;** **(b) the growth of community initiative and creativity to organize halal tourism as an additional service in tourism villages that have been cultivated;** **(c) the formation of a study group on halal tourism (halal tourism community) among tourism village business actors, as a forum for communication and education to maintain the sustainability of the program.**



● *Community Boot Camp*

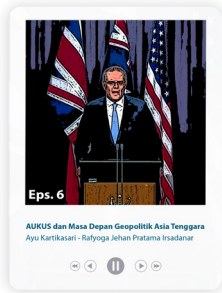
A boot camp was held on 27-28 August 2022 in Kampung Sawah Durimanis, Imogiri, Bantul. The program was attended by representatives from six villages: Tamansari, Kauman, Purbayan, Pakualaman, Brontokusuman, and Rejowinangun. The boot camp was delivered in six sessions; **(1) The Halal Tourism Development: Study Case of the ASEAN Member States,** **(2) Dimension, Principles, and the Universality of Halal Tourism,** **(3) Halal Food Businesses,** **(4) Sharia Accommodation Businesses,** **(5) Tourism Package Integration and Marketing Strategy,** and **(6) The Initiation of Halal Tourism Community.** There are facilitators involved in the boot camp to present the study material; Siti Daulah Khoiriati, Ghifari Yuristiadhi, Azfa Pabulo, and Tunggul Wicaksono.

● *Research Dissemination*



The dissemination of this research project was held in FISIPOL Research Days 2022, presented by our Lead Researcher, Dra. Siti Daulah Khoiriati. During the discussion, several questions were raised such as how halal tourism is able to increase the market share of tourism rather than regular tourism, also how the stakeholders could support the development of halal tourism. Other than that, there is a discussion about how can the interest between halal tourism and regular tourism could be taken into a common benefit.

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Ayu Kartikasari - Rafyoga JP Irsadanar

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Tunggul Wicaksono - Taufik Fitriyanto



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The ASEAN Notes

“ASEAN Para-Games 2022: From Sports to Cultural Diplomacy”

written by **Ferdian Ahya Al Putra**.

This article highlighted the concept of multitrack diplomacy in the form of sports competitions between countries, in this case, the ASEAN Para-Games 2022 which is joined by disabled athletes from Southeast Asian countries.

“An Online Citizen: Revealing Restrictions on the Freedom of Press and Mass Media in Singapore”

written by **Syukron Subkhi**.

This article argued the right to express an opinion and expression is an integral part of democracy. As we live in the era of digitalization, democracy also evolves to keep pace with the changing of the industrial revolution 4.0 and has emerged through the development of media and the internet.

“ASEAN at Crossroads: an Autocratic Turn in the Region”

written by **Muhammad Ammar Hidayatulloh and Muhammad Maulana Iberahim**.

In this article, they argued that there is an indication of democratic stagnation or regression in Southeast Asian countries. Such an autocratic turn poses a challenge to ASEAN to realize its vision of being a people-centered and people-oriented community.

“ASEAN’s Human Rights Promises and Pitfalls: Is the ASEAN Effective in Advancing its Human Rights Agenda”

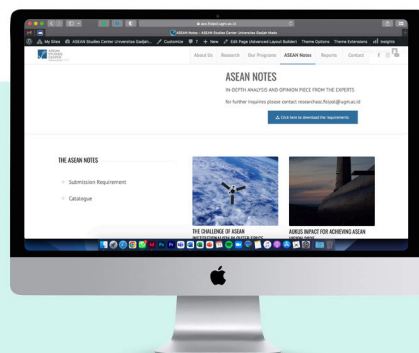
written by **Arvhie Santos**.
She argued that human rights in ASEAN remain questioned since the abuses in the Southeast Asian region for the past years. In this sense, regional responsiveness to human rights violations was seemingly short-lived. While the adoption of the AHRD has set the stage for a formal human rights discourse in the region, little progress has been made since then for various reasons.

“ASEAN’s Pathway to Sustainability Through Green Recovery Post-Pandemic Covid-19: Challenge and Opportunity”

written by **Wahyu Candra Dewi**.
In this article, the author proposed green recovery as a pathway to achieve sustainability which covers the three pillars of people, prosperity, and planet. Until 2020, the countries in Southeast Asia were lagging in terms of achieving SDGs.

“What’s Missing in the AHRD?: Synergizing with Civil Society Towards Better Human Rights Regime in ASEAN”

written by **Gerald John C. Guillermo**.
He highlighted the involvement of CSOs in human rights and democratization. Though ASEAN has adopted the people-oriented approach, strict restrictions on the nature of participation and a limited set of issues up for discussion narrow cooperation with CSOs resulting in discouraging participation from human rights-based CSOs.



The ASEAN Notes Special Edition

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"The Special Edition of ASEAN Notes: Exploring the Future of ASEAN"

In commemorating the 55th Anniversary of ASEAN's establishment, ASC UGM was looking for scholars, students, academicians, and anyone who is interested in ASEAN development, to submit ideas and innovations in the form of article submission under the topic of *"Exploring the Future of ASEAN"*. The titles are as follows:

"ASEAN Back in the Indo-Pacific Saddle",

written by **Seonyoung Yang**.

This article analyzed the hidden meaning of several Indo-Pacific strategies, such as the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific, and made recommendations for how ASEAN should best navigate the Indo-strategic Pacific's reefs since ASEAN is considered the centerpiece of its newly unveiled Indo-Pacific framework later this year.

"Amicable Solutions to Philippine's Claim over Malaysia's Sabah",

written by **Arienne J. Fabregas and Ahmad Amsyar Ahmad Effendy**.

This article suggested for an immediate diplomatic discussion between Malaysia and the Philippines on the topic, with both countries giving due respect to Sabah's current status under Malaysia's sovereignty and the Philippines' continuous claim to the territory. Further, the study authors concur with the suggestions made by international law scholars and foreign diplomats.

"Circular Economy in ASEAN: A Brief View on Plastics Harmonization and Micro, Small, and Medium-Sized Enterprises Inclusion", written by **Muhammad Rasyid Ridho**.

This article argued the significance of the circular economy (CE) inside the AEC was signaled by the promulgation of ASEAN's Framework for Circular Economy for the AEC during the 20th AEC Council Meeting in October 2021. This system is ostensibly better as an environmental-friendly alternative.

"AUKUS Impact for Achieving ASEAN Vision 2025",

written by **Hastian Akbar Stiarso and Rayhan Fasya Firdausi**.

This article argued that AUKUS is a problem that ASEAN has never experienced before. The closest problem is the 1954 founding of SEATO, which included Thailand and the Philippines before they joined ASEAN. Therefore, the AUKUS issue must be addressed without reference to any prior instances. If ASEAN and AUKUS prioritize the dialogue function, AUKUS concerns can be handled quickly.

"The Challenge of ASEAN Institutionalism in Outer Space",

written by **Ade Meirizal and Dinda Julia Putri**.

This article explained that ASEAN space powers are surrounded by minimal interest and technology in space, such as Cambodia, Laos, and Myanmar. Meanwhile, Singapore stressed its interest in industrialization and academic-centrics on space technology. Moreover, the article argued that by designing mutual goals for state members, ASEAN can accomplish priority sectors in space technology. Single sector by utilizing satellites for collecting data affects many aspects of society in ASEAN, especially in the fisheries sector.

ASC Commentaries

“Cross Border Digital Payment Integration: What Will We Achieve?”

by Syaifa Tania, MA



The first publication of ASC Commentaries was written under the topic of **“Cross Border Digital Payment Integration: What Will We Achieve?”** by Syaifa Tania, MA (Adjunct Researcher ASC UGM). In the article, she stated that the cross-border QR payment linkage will be a great initiative to strengthen the positioning of Southeast Asian countries as emerging market economies. The payment connectivity will be able to promote an inclusive economy as well as strengthen the close economic ties among Southeast Asian countries. As international travel resumes and digital transactions are rapidly growing, the initiative positively impacts many aspects of the countries’ economic sectors. For example, the MSME will greatly benefit from the initiative as they can easily manage international transactions. Thus, it can enlarge the possibilities to support our MSME to compete in the global market.

Collaborative Research

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia



In collaboration with the Policy Analysis and Development Agency of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Indonesia, ASC UGM had the opportunity to conduct research that brought up the theme **“Keketuaan Indonesia di ASEAN Tahun 2023: Optimalisasi Penguatan Sektor E-Commerce ASEAN Dalam Rangka Percepatan Pemulihan Ekonomi”**. The research aims to analyze the e-commerce industry and development during and post-pandemic situations, consumer behavior, and potential partnership in the regional context.

The publication can be read online at ugm.id/RisetASCKemlu.

Media Interviews



FRONTIER Myanmar

Tunggul Wicaksono (Research Manager at ASC UGM) was interviewed for an article by FRONTIER Myanmar and shared his personal opinions about this situation with other researchers from reputable think tanks. The article titled **"ASEAN is frustrated by the junta, but how far is it willing to go?"** can be read at ugm.id/FrontierMyanmar.

In this article, he stated that ministers have been focused on the G20 presidency rather than the ASEAN chairmanship and there's still no indication that Indonesia has a specific framework for dealing with the Myanmar crisis.



The Jakarta Post

Mary Ng, Canada's Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion, and International Trade, just returned from a two-day trip to Indonesia, during which she was able to progress at least two business agreements and enhance the country's ties to Jakarta and the Indo-Pacific region.

Our Executive Director, **Dr. Dafri Agussalim**, was interviewed for an article by Yvette Tanamal from The Jakarta Post to share his personal opinions about this situation with other researchers from reputable think tanks. The article is titled **"Canada Strengthens Economic Cooperation with Jakarta, Indo-Pacific"**. Click the link below to access the full article. ugm.id/JakpostASC1

Infographic and Policy Briefs



As the research output, the team established a policy brief titled "Pemberdayaan Kampung Wisata melalui Pariwisata Halal" written by **Tunggul Wicaksono** and **Syukron Subkhi**. Since the discourse of halal tourism covers the element of destination, organization, and implementation, there is an urgency to increase the market share and highlight the exposure of tourism object. A moslem-friendly facilities are considered as the vital element in accommodating the multi-dimensional aspect of tourism such as innovation, branding, and marketing. Therefore, the policy brief offers the arrangement and the strategy alignment among stakeholders in responding to the future challenges.

Along with that, the research team also released a poster to summarize the scope of research activities that include the background of the problem, research objectives, challenges, and proposed solutions.

External Publications

Article Publication on Majalah Masyarakat ASEAN
“Peran UMKM dalam Menyokong Resiliensi Ekonomi ASEAN”
Written by Yulida Nuraini Santoso (Managing Director)



An article entitled “Peran UMKM dalam Menyokong Resiliensi Ekonomi ASEAN”, written by Yulida Nuraini Santoso, Managing Director of ASEAN Studies Center Universitas Gadjah Mada has been published in the “Majalah Masyarakat ASEAN”, 30th Edition May 2022 by the Directorate of ASEAN Cooperation The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia. This Magazine raise the theme of “Towards a Resilient ASEAN” which could be defined from three different pillars of ASEAN Community Vision namely Economic, Politic and Security, and Socio-Cultural Cooperation. The article by Ms. Yulida Nuraini Santoso could be found on page 11, and the online magazine “Majalah Masyarakat ASEAN” could be accessed through the following link.

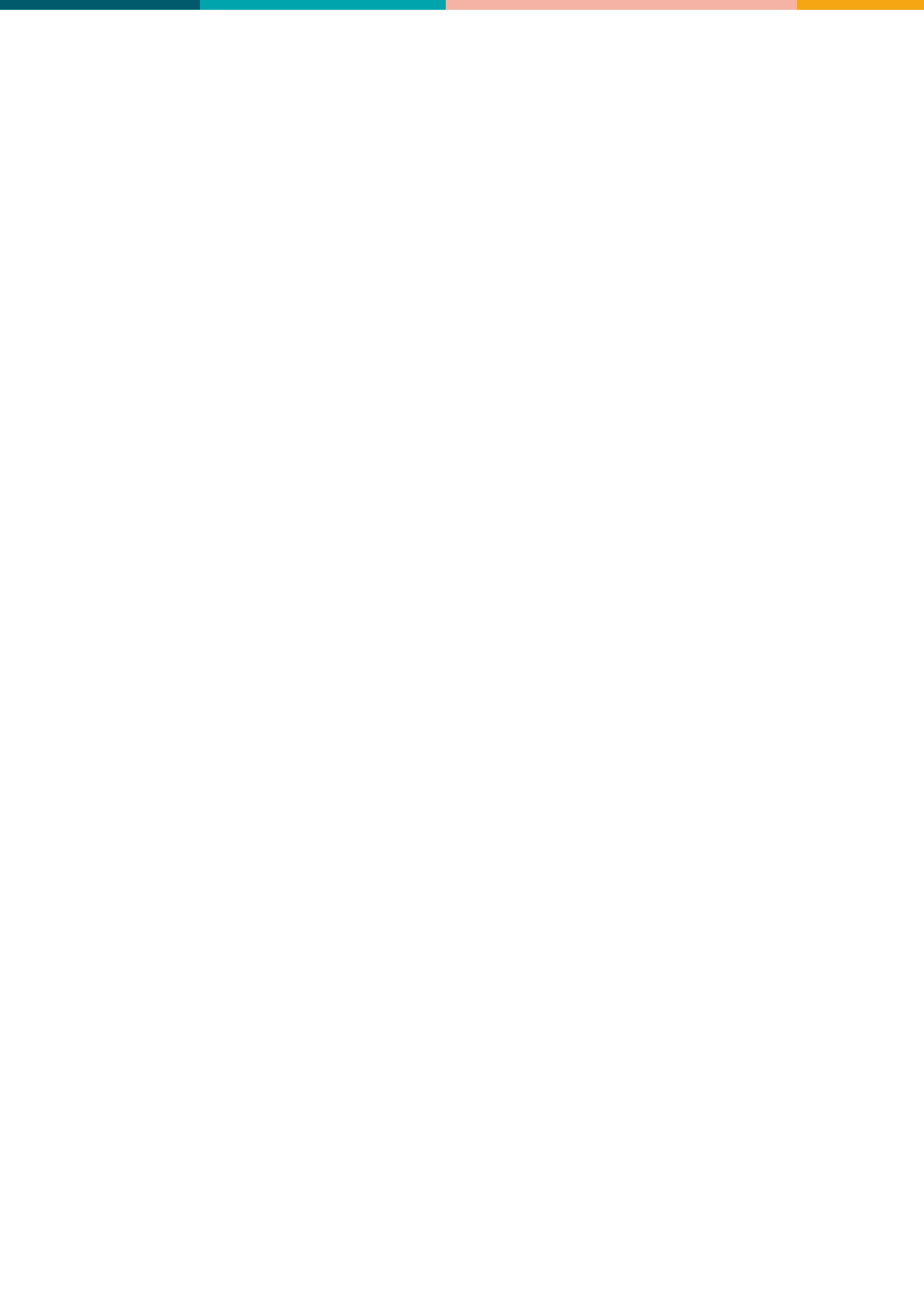
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Book Chapter Publication on World Scientific
“Digital Economy and the Sustainable Development of ASEAN and China”
Written by Yulida Nuraini Santoso and Tunggul Wicaksono



Yulida Nuraini Santoso (Managing Director at ASC UGM) and Tunggul Wicaksono (Research Manager at ASC UGM) contributed to the book chapter titled **“Achieving Sustainable Development Goals by 2030: Reducing the Gap of Inequality through ASEAN–China Trade Relations”** in the “Digital Economy and the Sustainable Development of ASEAN and China”.

The book was published by World Scientific. In the book chapter, the authors argued that as a vital economic partner, Indonesia’s businesses are heavily dependent on the Chinese market. However, the promising partnership has yet to fulfill the value of chain and stability across the Southeast Asia region. In addition, the tensions between Jakarta and Beijing have flared several times over the territorial issue and anti-Chinese sentiment.





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