

Seminar:
CSIRO Project on Government Policies, Natural Resources and the Environment: Analyzing Paths to Sustainability in Indonesia

Date: 9 June 2006

Time: 14:00 – 16:00

Place: Coombs Extension Lecture Theatre, Australian National University

Agenda:

- 14:00-14:10 Introduction of the Project (Melinda Spink)
- 14:10-14:40 Study Context and Methodology (Alex Smajgl)
- 14:40-14:50 Partnership for Flexibility and Policy Support (Dedee Woodside)
- 14:50-15:00 Discussant I: Peter Warr
- 15:00-15:10 Clarification questions from the Project to Discussant I
- 15:10-15:20 Discussant II: Kathryn Robinson
- 15:20-15:30 Clarification questions from the Project to Discussant II
- 15:30-15:55 Open Discussion
- 15:55-16:00 Closing (Budy Resosudarmo)

Background

Following discussions in 2005 AusAID, CSIRO and the World Bank agreed to undertake an initiative to assess the likely economic, ecological and social consequences of alternative development pathways in Indonesia. Since this time CSIRO has also been developing a relationship with ANU for delivering this project. The partners expressed strong interest in the development of approaches and results that can be used to realize better investment outcomes for environmental sustainability and poverty alleviation. This project is the outcome of those discussions and aims to understand the net impacts of macro policy changes in Indonesia, including unintended side effects, by analysing cross-sectoral dynamics. It is our aim to translate this understanding into tools that lead to sustainable outcomes and into processes that effectively facilitate information flows and decision making. The proposal for Phase 1 of this work (scoping and design of the research proposal which will be implemented in Phase 2) is attached.

We are currently undertaking Phase 1 of the project and have been working to develop the design in partnership with Gol; Bappenas have agreed to be our partners. We have also been working with the sectoral bureaucracies (forestry, mining and energy, fisheries, agriculture), NGOs and civil society, and universities/researchers. We will deliver a design for Phase 2 of this project in July 2006. The design will detail a research project to be conducted over approximately 18 months commencing August 2006.

The purpose of this meeting will be to test the robustness and value of the plan as well as to receive inputs, leading to quality improvements. Individual team members may also contact you to discuss specific issues in the work we are undertaking.

Further information about the project can be found at the following web site:

<http://www.cse.csiro.au/research/IndonesianSustainability/.htm>. For information about this seminar, you can contact Budy P. Resosudarmo at budy.resosudarmo@anu.edu.au or 6125 2244.

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