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Rural development, food security, land reform and infrastructure are high on the agenda of President Joko Widodo's (Jokowi's) administration. Many experts regard formalisation of land tenure as key to economic development and more efficient use of resources. In Indonesia, land registration, titling and formalisation remain problems. Policy debates continue about how to recognise customary rights, pursue land reform, and support infrastructure development and capital investment, including in plantations and mining. Practices of nature conservation and carbon sequestration also require resolving property-rights questions in Indonesia's extensive forests.

The Indonesia Update 2015 will examine land law and its administration in decentralised Indonesia. From large-scale land acquisitions in Merauke, Papua, to asset ownership in the villages of Sulawesi and Java, to the tenure conflicts associated with the oil palm and mining booms in Kalimantan and Sumatra, papers will consider Indonesia's many land challenges. Presenters will also examine the environmental implications of land management. In light of international debates over agrarian reform, tenure formalisation and 'land grabbing', this year's conference will discuss the many possibilities for progress.

Conference convenors

John McCarthy

The Australian National University

Kathryn Robinson

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Day 1, Friday 18 September 2015

- 8.30am **Registration**
- 9am **Welcoming remarks**
Veronica Taylor
The Australian National University
- Political and economics update**
- 9.05am **Political update**
Chair: Marcus Mietzner, The Australian National University
Burhanuddin Muhtadi
The Australian National University and the Indonesian Survey Institute
Discussant: Eve Warburton
The Australian National University
- 10.20am *Morning tea*
- 10.40am **Economics update**
Chair: Blane Lewis, The Australian National University
Arief Anshory Yusuf
Padjadjaran University
Discussant: Vincent Ashcroft
Economist
- 12pm *Lunch*
- 1pm **Land use and land law: the big picture**
Chair: Peter Kanowski, The Australian National University
Keynote speech. From forests and farms to plantations and mines: agrarian transformations, mobilities and the smallholder-labourer household
Nancy Lee Peluso
University of California, Berkeley
Indonesian land law: integration at last? And for whom?
Adriaan Bedner
Leiden University

- 2.10pm **Environmental and customary framing of land tenure**
Chair: Luca Tacconi, The Australian National University
- Formalisation of customary rights in the forest estate**
Chip Fay
Indigenous Peoples' Alliance of the Archipelago
- Environmental rationales and land management: the case of Central Kalimantan**
Suraya Afiff
University of Indonesia
- Mining, land and community rights**
Arianto Sangaji
York University (Toronto)
- Kathryn Robinson**
The Australian National University
- 3.30pm *Afternoon tea*
- 3.50pm **Urban and infrastructure development**
Chair: Eleanor Lawson, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Eminent domain and infrastructure under Yudhoyono's and Jokowi's administrations**
Jamie S Davidson
National University of Singapore
- Land market and policy for housing the urban poor: a tale of two cities**
Delik Hudalah
Bandung Institute of Technology
- Land and housing security for the urban poor**
Patrick Guinness
The Australian National University
- 5.10pm **Close of sessions, day one**
- 6.30pm **Conference dinner***
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14 Childers Street
Canberra, ACT 2601
- *for those who have registered and paid

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Day 2, Saturday 19 September 2015

- 9am **Agriculture, land tenure and livelihoods**
Chair: Pierre van der Eng, The Australian National University
- Agricultural transformation and the prospects of land reform in contemporary Indonesia**
Jeff Neilson
University of Sydney
- Land tenure and agrarian structure in regions of small-scale food production**
Isono Sadoko
AKATIGA
- 10am *Morning tea*
- 10.20am **Large-scale land acquisitions and smallholder development**
Chair: Sharon Bessell, The Australian National University
- Industrial plantations and community rights: conflict and attempted solutions**
Afrizal
Andalas University
- Patrick Anderson**
Forest Peoples Programme
- Is the plantation model 'shifting' in favour of smallholders?**
Lesley Potter
The Australian National University
- Competition for land in Papua: does recognising customary resource-use rights help to re-establish livelihoods?**
Laksmi A Savitri
Gadjah Mada University
- Susanna Price**
The Australian National University
- 11.50am *Closing remarks*
- 12pm *Lunch*
- 1pm **End of conference**

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