INDONESIA UPDATE 2015
LAND AND DEVELOPMENT IN INDONESIA: SEARCHING FOR THE PEOPLE’S SOVEREIGNTY
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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
The Australian National University

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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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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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