Indonesia’s choices

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Join Indonesian Finance Minister Dr Muhamad Chatib Basri, and other distinguished academic experts from ANU - Professor Hugh White, Professor Virginia Hooker and Professor Andrew MacIntyre, at a public forum to launch the latest issue of the East Asia Forum Quarterly, ‘Indonesia’s Choices’. The panel will also discuss Indonesia’s progress and its choices about how to continue building its success story.

What next for Indonesia? By any measure, the past 15 years has been a period of extraordinary progress. Yet for all the impressive gains, there is a widespread sense—especially inside Indonesia—that the early pace of progress has fallen away; and that the country is now just marking time and waiting for whatever the 2014 electoral cycle might yield.

Indonesia is an unambiguous economic success story. But there is mounting concern that Indonesia is becoming mired in sticky ‘middle income mud’. It now faces acute infrastructure bottlenecks, in transportation and electricity generation; and the education system is falling further behind. Indonesia’s next president and parliament will need to address these problems squarely, or economic momentum will fall away.

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