

## Press Release

# ***Indonesia Infrastructure Week 2019 Aims to Foster Greater Partnerships in Fulfilling Development Targets***

**JAKARTA** – The Indonesian government continues to encourage infrastructure development in the country, by utilizing alternative financing schemes to fulfill projects, involving public participation.

For this reason, on November 6 to 8 2019, the Ministry of National Development Planning/Bappenas, together with the Public Works and Housing Ministry (KemenPUPR), the Construction Services Development Agency (LPJK), and the Indonesian Chamber of Commerce (KADIN), held the 2019 Indonesia Infrastructure Development Financing (IIDF) and Indonesia Infrastructure Week (IIW) events at the JIExpo Kemayoran, Central Jakarta.

"The events are geared to become a discussion forum for the government, the private sector, and various communities in identifying opportunities for cooperation in supporting the acceleration of sustainable infrastructure development in Indonesia. These events were held under the theme of "Construction Supply Chain 4.0 in Supporting the Acceleration of Infrastructure Development". It is hoped that all parties can collaborate to find innovations in construction supply chain management, in terms of human resources, financing, materials, and construction technology as key parts of realizing the vision of an advanced Indonesia," said the Minister of National Development Planning/Head of Bappenas Suharso Monoarfa.

"The 2019 Indonesia Infrastructure Development Financing event was also carried out with the subtheme of "Go Beyond for Sustainable Infrastructure" to promote the experiences relating to alternative financing scheme implementations, and in preparing the quality and sustainable infrastructure projects that are ready to be financed," he added.

IIW 2019 is packaged in the form of exhibitions, seminars, and workshops that are attended by domestic and foreign businesspeople, and is holding the Indonesian Construction Skills (K3I) competition at the event to encourage local governments to increase human resource capacity in the construction sector.

"This is a form of link and match implementation which is a collaboration between the KemenPUPR and the Ministry of Education and Culture (Kemendikbud) as well as National Construction Services Business Entities," the Minister explained.

Representatives and attendees from 16 countries took part in the event, including those from Denmark, France, the United States, Germany, Hong Kong, India, South Korea, Malaysia, Poland, Portugal, Singapore, Australia, China, Turkey, the United Kingdom and Vietnam.

IIW 2019 was also attended by 250 apprentice workers from vocational (SMK), polytechnical diploma (D3), and tertiary (S1) institutions in collaboration with 11 State-Owned Companies (BUMN) and 755 teams from the National Capital Design Competition. Minister Suharso stated that this design competition aims to translate the new capital city as an Indonesia-centric effort.

"The design of the IKN area is expected to be able to translate the vision of the capital city as a catalyst for improving Indonesian civilization which represents a superior nation by fulfilling three main criteria, namely reflecting the nation's identity, ensuring a sustainable social and economic environment, and realizing a smart, modern city that fulfills international standards," the Minister explained.

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