

Message from the Chairman



In the past year, in the midst of the extremely dynamic political and economic environment in Indonesia as well as in the world, The Habibie Center has succeeded in implementing fruitful programs and producing useful research and publications. The consolidation of various institutions under the Center was proven useful for the Center's 2005 activities and undoubtedly will provide a stronger foundation for future programs and activities.

The year 2005 started with a tragedy that devastated the whole nation and also awakened many people to take action to help the victims of the Tsunami in Aceh. Thus, The Habibie Center focused on helping the victims in Aceh through the "Help Indonesian Tsunami Victims" program, shortened HITV. With the support from the Indonesian, as well as the international, community, The Habibie Center was able to collect funds to help the Acehnese under the HITV program. In the year 2006 The Habibie Center will continue to give priority to the rehabilitation process in Aceh.

However, as our commitment towards the process of democratization must be held, The Habibie Center also made sure that the routine programs that focused on issues of democracy and human rights continued. Issues ranging from politics, legal reform, media, justice and human rights to information technology and education became the focus of the numerous discussions, seminars and workshops held by the Center. These discussions were held not only within the national scope but also internationally with the cooperation of our international partners from Asia, Europe and all over the world.

In eight years, The Habibie Center has succeeded in accomplishing a number of important activities and it will continue to conduct activities focused on efforts to uphold the values and principles of human rights, democracy and good governance in Indonesia. With the support of the public, the media, and through fruitful cooperation with organizations, both national and international, we hope to accomplish this and much more. Hopefully, by working together we can set up positive and productive programs that will be beneficial to the Indonesian people and to the nation as a whole.

Finally, I personally would like to express my gratitude to the various parties that have participated in The Habibie Center activities over the past year, and hope that with the support from various sectors we can improve our efforts in the future.

Jakarta, December 2007

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Bacharuddin Jusuf Habibie

Democratic Consolidation and Amendment of the Constitution



Indonesia shall begin to move from a transitional situation to the next phase of democratic process, which is the consolidation of democracy. Substances and institutions to build a democratic regime have been established, yet problems still arises since these institutions have very little sense of consolidation.

The amendments of the Indonesian Constitution, the UUD 1945, in one way have created great progress in building democracy in Indonesia, however, there are still poor and awkwardness in performances that needed to be corrected. The newly established institutions have tended to compete with each other, rather than cooperating to make democratization works. For this reason, the democracy transition has been seen by a some people as a source of national deterioration and chaotic situation. There is also a small but vocal force wanting to return the constitution to the original UUD 1945.

On the other hand, witnessing the development of democracy in Indonesia over the past two years, we realized that the main problem is that we must begin to consolidate all the democratic powers that we have built. One way to accomplish this aim is through the fifth amendment of the UUD 1945. The four previous amendments have not yet created an efficient and integrated democratic system within our constitution; there are shortages and loopholes that needed to be filled. Consolidating democracy requires an immaculate guidance. The Constitution as the highest law in a democratic country is the most suitable guidance to begin the process of national consolidation. Once the rules and mechanisms have been set, the consolidation process can begin.

For these reasons, a common goal and willpower to move towards democratic consolidation through the Fifth Amendment of the Constitution is a prerequisite. National consolidation for democracy is not only consolidating the powers in the state, but also consolidating different ideas and interests, for one goal that is to make democratization works.

The Habibie Center has carried out a variety of programs and activities over the past two years in the form of seminars, studies, research and publication as part of the efforts to participate in building national consolidation for democracy. This 2006 report shows the variety of The Habibie Center's activities is part of the aims of the Center to make democratization works towards a new Indonesia.



Prof. Dr. Muladi
Board of Director

Foreword

Reforming the Bureaucracy within the Context of *Reformasi*



The role of the bureaucracy in Indonesia in the transition era is crucial. This role is currently attracting great interest in Indonesian politics because political change since 1998 has given greater strength to societal forces *vis-à-vis* the state. During this transition period many Indonesians demand the implementation of good governance, the elimination of corruption, collusion and nepotism, and call for greater accountability of the authorities to the people. These issues are intertwined with the issue of social justice, discussion of which flourishes in society. Since the *Reformasi* movement in 1998 a broad spectrum of Indonesian societal forces and NGOs have been established, ranging from philanthropic and charitable organizations to the radical protest movement. The societal forces have promoted participation and pluralism in ways that affect

state-society relations and weaken the government apparatus as an agent of social control.

Moreover, the role of civil society (political parties, students, intellectuals, the press, NGOs) in supporting the reform of the bureaucracy and decentralizing power to regional government has been very important. These groups were influential because the creation of good governance and clean government, as well as the empowerment of civil society, could not be expected simply from government initiative.

The politicization of the bureaucracy through the weakening of political parties and maintaining bureaucratic authoritarianism under the New Order government (1966-1998) was an important stimulus for reforming the bureaucracy. With the downfall of Soeharto's New Order regime, the authoritarian nature of the bureaucratic system was exposed. The implementation of new political laws in 1999 gave rise to an invigorated role for political parties, and the implementation of a government regulation for a neutral bureaucracy resulted in its declining involvement in politics. A strong parliament and the increasing political awareness of bureaucrats have become a reality today. The bureaucracy can no longer exist as it was in the New Order, and, in fact, has responded to societal needs by adjusting to the new political climate.

Arguably, the development of democracy in Indonesia could not take place without the reform of the bureaucracy. The issues of democratization and reform of bureaucracy are central to current political debates in Indonesia. Bureaucracy and democracy have, in fact, influenced each other. Present evidence on the neutrality of the civil service during the 2004 elections, demonstrates the form of the Indonesian bureaucracy and the nature of the links between state and society in the transition period, especially after regional governments were granted greater regional autonomy in January 2001. Thus, since this period policy-making was no longer so heavily dominated by the state elite. This represented an important change in Indonesian political life.

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Ahmad W. Pratiknya
Executive Director

DEMOCRACY



EXPERTS' DISCUSSION: IMPROVING LAW MAKING QUALITY IN INDONESIA

FEBRUARY 21, 2007

The Habibie Center, in cooperation with the Hanns Seidel Foundation held an experts' discussion titled "Improving the Law Making Quality in Indonesia" presenting four resource persons: Satrio Arinanto, Tjipto Setiadi, Artijo Alkostar and Gayus Lumbuun.

In the discussion it was suggested that the abusive law in the country has a connected bad law making, bad legal awareness and bad law enforcement. Such a situation is the responsibility of the legal community.



NATIONAL SEMINAR: IMPROVING LAW MAKING IN INDONESIA

MARCH 8, 2007

Law is one of the important elements or pillars for a democratic state, including Indonesia which is undergoing active



reform in all fields. In this connection then on March 8, 2007 The Habibie Center in cooperation with the Hanns Seidel Foundation held a national seminar on "Improving the Law Making Quality in Indonesia" with speakers Bivitri Susanti (the Center of Law and Policy Study), Lukman Hakim Saifuddin (the House of Representatives) and Andrinov Chaniago (The HabibieCenter). The seminar was moderated by R. Siti Zuhro (The Habibie Center). The seminar discussed three aspects of the law in Indonesia. First, substantive aspect, that is the synchronizing, norms and the existence of academic draft.

DISCUSSION: "CONTROVERSY IN RELATIOB TO THE PROPOSAL POLITICAL PARTIES OWN BUSINESSES"

MAY 16, 2007

Where does party get its fund from to carry out its function? There have been spreading ideas that a party should be allowed to build a business to make it more self reliant. To evaluate whether the idea would have a negative or a positive effect, The Habibie Center held a discussion titled "Controversy in Relation to on the Party-Owned Enterprise" on May 16, 2007 in the auditorium of The Habibie Center, Jakarta. Hajriyanto Y. Tohari (member of the House's Commission I), Hadar Gumay (University of Indonesia), Andrinov

Chaniago (The Habibie Center) and the moderator was Taftazani (The HabibieCenter) were speakers in the discussion.



DISCUSSION AND ADVOCACY ON REFORM OF BUREAUCRACY IN SULAWESI:

MAY 3-5, 2007

The Habibie Center held a discussion and advocacy on reform of bureaucracy in South Sulawesi and West Sulawesi on April 3 to 5, 2007. The event was held in three venues namely Makassar, Parepare and Polewali Mamasa. In South Sulawesi those 97 people were present, comprising public members, head of sub-agencies and officials of regencies and mayoralities. The Provincial Secretary, Drs. A. Mualim Msi. opened the discussion. The next day, the discussion was held in Parepare, attended by 112 people. The Vice Mayor of Parepare also participated in the discussion, while as many as 112 people attended the discussion in Polewali Mandar, West Sulawesi.

The Habibie Center, meanwhile, invited several resource persons, including, Prof.

Dr. Eko Prasajo (the University of Indonesia); Prof. Komaruddin (the State Ministry for Bureaucratic Reform); Dr. R. Siti Zuhro (Research Manager of The Habibie Center) and Drs. Andrinov Chabniago from The Habibie Center. The THC Team was led by Drs. Makmur Makka MA , the Director of Communication of The Habibie Center.

From the discussion the THC Team had an impression that attendants, who represented the community of South and West Sulawesi, had not yet satisfied with the local bureaucracy and governments. Their dissatisfactions were consul by the poor running of their local regencies and mayoralities; similar views were also put forth by local NGOs.

EXPERTS' DISCUSSION: DEMOCRACY AND LOCAL CULTURE

MAY 10, 2007

The Habibie Center in cooperation with the Hanns Seidel Foundation held an Experts' Discussion titled **"Democracy and Local Culture: Study on Identification of Change and Continuity of the Role of Local Democratic Values in West Sumatra, South Sulawesi, East Java and Bali."** The Experts' Discussion was held as a means to find inputs on research that was done by The Habibie Center on the same topic.

The Experts' Discussion was attended by several competent experts in fields of Politics, Anthropology, Law as well as Sociology. The primary discussion were Prof. Arbi Sanit from the University of Indonesia, Prof. Ahmad Fedyani Saifuddin (UI), Dr. Yudi Latief (Executive Director, Reform Institute) and Tommy Legowo from the Center for Strategic and International Studies – CSIS, Jakarta). Apart from them there were also Dr. Marwah Daud Ibrahim from ICMI, Dr. Hafid Abbas (the Head of

Research and Development of the Department of Law and Human Rights), Drs. H. Mardjito G. A. (Regional Representatives Council-DPD from East Java), Djoko Susilo (The House of Representatives), and several others. The event was also attended by Mr. Thai Kuang Trung, the Regional Representative of the Hanns Seidel Foundation.

Dr. R. Siti Zuhro said that studies on local cultural values, which have both positive and negative correlation with democracy, are very important to know and understand the challenges, opportunities and prospects of democratization going on presently. This was the urgency of the research of the local democracy and political culture, to get comprehensive perception on change and continuity of the local democratic values. The aim of the research was to study the potency of the political culture that develops in the Indonesian society in connection with democratization.



FRATERNITY FORUM: “EXPLORING THE NATION’S JOURNEY: EPISODE OF TRANSITIONAL ERA AND THE FUTURE CHALLENGES”

JUNE 7, 2007.

The Habibie Center held a Fraternity Forum with a theme: Exploring the Nation’s Journey: the Episode of Transitional Era and the Future Challenges on June 7, 2007. Public figures from intellectual, private circles and people who had been having roles as policy makers in governance. Among them were Arbi Sanit, Solahuddin



wahid, Rizal Ramli, Hartarto, Marwah Daud Ibrahim, Muladi, Abu Hasan, Hasyim Djalal, The forum discussed the nation’s accomplishment so far, what had been produced and what others that needed to pay attention to.

In the discussion it was put forth that Indonesia is undergoing a symptom of being a failed state. The symptom could be seen from the declining defense and political capabilities since the beginning of the reform era and this has placed Indonesia among the developing country circle. Moreover, the state’s service to its people was minimal so that unemployment swelled to the 40 % level, education was worsening even security is not un-guaranteed.

EXPERTS’ DISCUSSION: CIVIL SOCIETY AND TRANSITION TOWARD DEMOCRACY IN INDONESIA: THE ROLE OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND CIVIL SOCIETY.

JULY 17, 2007

Among the three elements – political party, civil society and local elites – political parties are the most decisive institutions on the success or failure of the democratic transitional process in the motherland. Such was the conclusion in an Experts’ Discussion titled “Civil Society and Transition Toward Democracy in Indonesia: the Role of Political Party and Civil Society” held by The Habibie Center on July 17, 2007. Political parties have the highest responsibility, said Arbi Sanit, political expert from the University of

Indonesia, “because on the first days of the national independence and the present democratic era they always get privileges, that is, monopoly over the state’s power.”



EXPERTS' DISCUSSION: QUESTIONING IMPORTANT ISSUES OF THE LAW ON POLITICS.

AUGUST 9, 2007

In cooperation with Tifa Foundation, The Habibie Center held an Experts' Discussion titled "Questioning Important Issues of the Law on Politics" on August 9, 2007 at the THC Building. Issues which were discussed how the laws should be directed to create more aspiring national politics.

Research on Jakarta's Regional Head Election

The Habibie Center held a research on Jakarta's 2007 Regional Head Election (Pilkada DKI) titled "A Study on Pilkada DKI Jakarta: Its Problems and Prospects for the Local Democratization". The research began in July, 2007 until October, 2007. The purpose of the research was, first, to evaluate the implementation of the Pilkada

from democratic perspective. Second, mapping the problems of Pilkada DKI which was not in line with the democratic values. Third, forming recommendation for the formulation of Pilkada Law and the revision of the Law No. 32, 2004.



HUMAN RIGHTS



REFLECTION OF 2006 AND PERSPECTIVE OF 2007: LEVEL OF POVERTY AND UNEMPLOYMENT IS WORRISOME

JANUARY 10, 2007

Poverty and unemployment along 2006 had reached a worrisome level and could spark social riots. Ironically, however, the government claimed that the national economic performance had been improving. This was what the resource persons—they were Andrinov Chaniago, Umar Juoro, Prof. Sofyan Effendi, Prof. A. Malik Fadjar, Prof. Muladi, Indria Samego and a representative from the media (*Bisnis Indonesia*), Arif Budi Susilo—deliberated at the Reflection of 2006 and Perspective of 2007 held on January 10, 2007.

“The impressive figures in the macro economic data could make people fall asleep,” said Andrinov Chaniago, The Habibie Center’s senior researcher. Macro economic indicator that the government

used as the basis for its claim of success among others were the stock exchange’s composite price index, rupiah’s exchange rate and inflation figure, whereas in fact, said Andrinov, the level of poverty and unemployment were not significantly different from the situation in 1998. Even in the almanac year of 2005-2006 the level of poverty had risen.



TRUTH AND FRIENDSHIP COMMISSION (KKP) MET WITH B.J. HABIBIE



MARCH 27, 2007

The Truth and Friendship Commission (Komisi Kebenaran dan Persahabatan—KKP) held a meeting with Professor B.J. Habibie at Kemang Selatan 98, Jakarta. The meeting was attended by members of the

KKP from Indonesia as well as Timor Leste. The meeting was held to find direct facts from B.J. Habibie in connection with events post-consultative vote in 1999.

Members of KKN from Indonesia who were present at the meeting were Benjamin Mangkoedilaga (Co-Chair Indonesia), Wisber Loeis, Lieut. Gen. Ret. Agus Widjojo, Professor Shmad Ali, Petrus Turang, Anton Sujata, Sjamsiah Ahmad. From Timor Leste there were Jacinto Alves (Co-Chair Timor Leste), Anicetp Guterres, Cirilo Cristovao, Felicidade Guterres, Isabel Ferreira, Olandina Caeiro, Rui Santos. Prof. Muladi and Dr. Fuadi Rasyid were present representing The Habibie Center..

HABIBIE OPENED PAINTING EXHIBITION REVOLUTIONARY ERA PAINTERS

MAY 29, 2007

B.J. Habibie opened a painting exhibition with the theme “Thank You for Fighters” held on May 29, 2007, at the Habibie Center building. Paintings exhibited are the works of revolutionary era painters, those were Amrus Natalsya, Joko Pekik, Prijono Matuto, Lian Sahar, Handogo, Sri Warso Wahono, Sutopo, Arbi Sama, Abas Alibasyah, Misbach Thamrin and Sutopo Hr.

Essentially the painting exhibition was an effort to bring together two groups of painters of Bumi Tarung and Sanggar Bambu groups, which had ever been

involved in enmity prompted by ideological differences in 1960s. The exhibition was a form of reconciliation between the groups of artists.

The exhibition was also started with a serial discussion of Figures Across History Talking with the theme “The Journey of Indonesian Art of Painting” with speakers Jusuf Ronodipuro, the announcer of the Proclamation Text and Amrus Natalsya, a painter from the era of 1960s with A. Makmur Makka, the Director of Communication of THC, as moderator.



INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

INDONESIA-TAIWAN YOUNG LEADERS' DIALOGUE

JUNE 12-14, 2007

The Habibie Center, in cooperation with Taipei Economic and Trade Office (TETO) had successfully held the first “Indonesia-Taiwan Young Leaders Dialogue”. This was one of a dialogue which had made young leaders from Indonesia and Taiwan meet. The event was held at Novotel Hotel, Bogor, June 12-14, 2007.

The dialogue discussed important topics, namely around the relationship of Indonesia and Taiwan in the context of socio-economic challenges in Asia. The dialogue, which was sponsored by MOFA (Taiwan’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs), was the first step to realize a more intensive dialogue between young leaders of both countries in the future. There were 24 participants and six facilitators from private sector, NGOs, civil service and academic circles. From Indonesia there were Sandiaga Uno (the Chairman of the Association of Indonesian Young Entrepreneurs – HIPMI), Timothius Harsono (Executive Director of PT Ikal Dharma Nusantara), Adriana Elizabeth

(Indonesian Science Institute), Yanuar Rizki (the Chairman of Indonesian Labor Association) and Zulkifliemansyah (the House of Representatives). From Taiwan there were 18 delegates, among others were Chan Meng Fen (Mainland Affairs Council), Chao Chia Wen (Policy Research and Coordinating Committee), Lee Chung Wei (Assistant Director General of the Department of International Organization) and Jeremy Liang (assistant Director General of Research and Planning Committee).

Participants were exchanging information, experience and ideas in three sessions of first discussion. In the first session, the discussion focused on socio-economic matter that had become challenge for each country. The next session discussed matters concerning bilateral relationship between Indonesia and Taiwan and its challenges. The most discussed matter was the contagious diseases and migrant workers for which both needed further handling.



CONFERENCE ON “INDONESIA’S REFORMASI: REFLECTIONS ON THE HABIBIE ERA”

MARCH 26-27, 2007

Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), Washington D.C. held a conference titled “Indonesia’s Reformasi: Reflections on the Habibie Era”. The conference, held on March 26-27, 2007 in Washington D.C. was a cooperation between The Habibie Center and the United States Indonesia Society (USINDO). Most of the participants came from Indonesia and Australia beside those from the U.S.

Indonesian participants were among others A. Watik Pratiknya, R. Siti Zuhro, Irman G. Lanti, Taufik Abdullah and Yudi Latif. Some of the Australian participants were

Robert Elson, Greg Barton and Krishna Sen. A. Watik Pratiknya presented a paper called “Habibie’s Leadership Style, Crisis Response and Management” while R. Siti Zuhro (the Manager of Research of THC) talked about regional autonomy policy and decentralization during Habibie’s era.

The conference papers would later be compiled into an essay compilation which would be made a book with Dr. Anwar Ibrahim, the former deputy PM of Malaysia, Dewi Fortuna Anwar, the Director of Program and Research of THC, and Bridget Welsh, one of SAIS professor, Washington D.C.

“THE INDONESIA-INDIA’S STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES”

SEPTEMBER 5, 2007

The Habibie Center held an International Executive Forum with a theme of “The Indonesia-India’s on September 5, 2007 with two speakers namely H.E. Mrs. Navrekha Sharma (the Ambassador of India to Indonesia) and Dr. Makmur Keliat (University of Indonesia) with Prof. Dr. Dewi Fortuna Anwar as mediator.

Mrs. Sharma said that India and Indonesia had established cooperation in defense, economic and social fields. “India has opened some firms in Indonesia,” said Mrs. Sharma whereas Indonesia had promised to provide 30% shares in mining sector to be managed by India. Indian films have also been famous in Indonesia for decades,

some of them had even taken shooting locations in beautiful places in Indonesia, among others in Bali. Both countries have also been discussing the implementation of democracy in each country.



ASIA-PACIFIC REGIONAL SECURITY SEMINAR

AUGUST 22, 2007

The Habibie Center, in cooperation with Taipei Economic and Trade Office held a seminar titled “Challenges of the Regional Security: Perspective from Taiwan” the seminar presented Dr. Huang Kwei-Bo (Cheng Chi University, Taiwan), Abu Hartono (former Indonesian Ambassador



in the Philippines), Umar Juoro (a researcher of THC) with Dr. Fuadi Rasyid as moderator.

The seminar discussed mainly issues of regional security matters which contains problems that needs government's interference (high politics) and the low politics. High politic issues among others is problems concerning the PRC and Japan, Taiwan Straits, oil and acid gas fields in the South China Sea, and Korean Peninsula. Meanwhile, transnational security matter (like the narcotic trade, human trade and cyber crime) and terrorism (like the separatist movement and inter group conflicts, economic and energy stability as well as environment , meanwhile, are included in the low political issues.

DISCUSSION ON EAST ASIAN MATTERS

AUGUST 2, 2007

The Habibie Center, in cooperation with the US Embassy held an International Executive Forum discussion with a theme of Around Matters of East Asian Defense, presenting David Helvey, Director on China-Taiwan-Mongolia affairs of the U.S. Department of Defense, as speaker, on August 2, 2007. One of the things that was

brought up in the discussion was that the government and military of the PRC has modernized their strategy in the war engagement and non-war engagement. “The Chinese military power has grown very fast and it has great potential equip its military with technology,” said David Helvey.

HABIBIE: YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE THE ROLE TO CONTROL DEVIATION

JUNE 23, 2007

The Founder of the Habibie Center Foundation, Prof. B.J. Habibie emphasized that young generation has a big role in thinking and solving various problems the nation is facing. He emphasized that young generation has the role to control possible deviation or distortion of the nation's life in all their aspects. It was among others the content of Prof. Habibie's

written speech in the Indonesian Students' Meeting Forum in Den Haag, the Netherlands, that was read by the Chairman of the Board of THC on June 23, 2007. The title of the speech was "The Strategic Role of Young Generation in Indonesia's Development from Time to Time."

INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE FORUM: IMPROVEMENT OF INDONESIA-MALAYSIA'S RELATIONSHIP

OCTOBER 29, 2007

The Habibie Center held a discussion of the International Executive Forum with a



theme of the "Improvement of the Relationship of Indonesia and Malaysia Toward Fair and Dignified Global Life Order," presenting Dr. Anwar Ibrahim, former Deputy PM of Malaysia.

The discussion concluded that the Malaysian Government still has to mirror and learn from Indonesia in matters concerning democratic life, implementation of the human rights and freedom of the press. On the other hand, Indonesian Government could learn from Malaysia on the macro economic policy applied by the Malaysian Government.

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON “INDONESIAN ROLE ON THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE.”

DECEMBER 17, 2007

The Habibie Center, in cooperation with *Waspada* Group, *Republika* Daily, *The Jakarta Post* and Embassies of Palestine and the United States held a seminar titled “Annapolis & After: The Role of Indonesia in Middle East Peace Process” on Monday, December 17, 2007 in Hotel Aryadhuta, Jakarta. This event presented the Palestine Ambassador Fariz Mehdawi, the U.S. Ambassador Cameron Hume, political observer Dewi Fortuna Anwar and former Foreign Minister Ali Alatas.

The Seminar concluded that the role that would be very likely played by Indonesia is in the capacity building to help improving the ability of the Palestinian people when someday a Palestinian state is established. The U.S. Has been committed to push toward the establishment of the Palestinian state and Israel side by side in peace and quiet. The Palestinian people hope participation and role of Indonesia in the peace process in the Middle East, especially in the settlement of Palestinian-Israeli conflict.

MEDIA



PRESS FREEDOM BEFORE AND AFTER INDEPENDENCE: A TESTIMONY BY DR. ROSIHAN ANWAR

MARCH 14, 2007

The Habibie Center held a discussion of Series of Cross Historic Figure Talking with the theme of the Press Freedom Before and After Independence: A Testimony of Dr. Rosihan Anwar. His weigher was Atmakusumah Astraatmadja. The discussion was held on March 14, 2007.

As a senior journalist, Rosihan Anwar had for several times to undergo political pressure by the power holder from era to era. During the Dutch colonial era, Rosihan had ever been imprisoned in Bukit Duri prison, South Jakarta. Post-independence declaration, during the liberal era of 1949-1959 the daily he led, Pedoman, for several times had been banned by the military, and at last in 1960, the Pedoman Daily had completely been banned by Soekarno regime. Pedoman was back to themarket after the fall of Soekarno, replaced by Soeharto. Even during the Soeharto's

Government Rosihan received Mahaputra III Medal for his incessant devotion as journalist—he has been a journalist since before the revolutionary era. However, only a year after Soeharto put the medal around his neck, Pedoman was again banned in 1974. This is the demise of Pedoman.

During the discussion Rosihan reminded the audience that this time the press freedom in Indonesia has to face again with the freedom of the power holder, either executive of legislative branches of governance. The House of Representatives and political elites have started to control the freedom of the press through the laws that now exist in this country like the Law on the Secrecy of the State, andf others. Rosihan conveyed a message to the audience for not letting them repress the press freedom like colonialists.



THE HABIBIE CENTER HELD CARICATURE CONTEST –PUBLIC’S CRITIQUE AGAINST MEDIA

As an effort to improve the quality of the press freedom in Indonesia, The Habibie Center held a caricature contest with a theme of Public’s Critique Against the Media. The contest started at the beginning of September and ended on October 25,

2007. The winner of the contest was Joko Luwarso from Jakarta, followed by Mukhid Rahmat from Kendal, Central Java, and the third winner was Didie SW from Jakarta.

SOCIAL AND CULTURE



FOUR PROMINENT FIGURES RECEIVED HABIBIE AWARDS

DECEMBER 6, 2007

After going through tight selection by an independent team, The Habibie Center and the Foundation of Human Resource in Science and Technology (SDM-IPTEK) decided four people to receive the Habhibie Awards for 2007. They were Prof. Sri Widiyantoro, a Professor of Seismology at the Bandung Institute of Technology (Basic Science field), Prof. Elin Yulinah Sukandar, a Professor of Pharmacy (Medicine and Biotechnology field), Dr. H.C. Rosihan Anwar (Social Field) and Dr. H.C. Taufik Ismail (Cultural field). The awards presentation was conducted at Gran Melia Hotel on December 6, 2007. Minister of Communication and Information, Prof. Dr. Ir. Mohammad Nuh and the Chairman of the SDM-IPTEK Foundation, Prof. Dr. Wardiman Djojonegoro were present.

The Habibie Awards is presented to a person or institution which is appraised as very active and has been meritorious in finding, developing and disseminating various activities in science and technology innovation and significant for improving prosperity, justice and peace. The award winners received medals, certificate and US\$25,000.



NIGHT OF INDEPENDENCE REFLECTION

AUGUST 16, 2007

As a form of gratefulness to God on the Republic of Indonesian independence and simultaneously a reflection of the nation's journey, on August 16, 2007 The Habibie Center held a "Night of Independence



Reflection". Figures of THC read Chairil Anwar's poems and songs of Ismail Marzuki were sung by the Pecinta Musik Muslim Indonesia choir. The Night of Reflection was held at THC Building.

Most of THC Great Family, society figures from around THC and other invitees whom are working partners of THC, either local or foreign. Among others there were the Head of Constitutional Court Jimly Asiddiqui; the Lemhannas Governor Muladi; former minister of the National Education and Culture Wardiman Djojonegoro and former minister of Research and Technology M. Zuhail.

DISCUSSION OF FIGURES OF CROSS HISTORY TALK AND BOOK REVIEW “BUNG TOMO’S ROMANTICISM”, A REMEMBRANCE OF BUNG TOMO.

OCTOBER 2, 2007

Once again The Habibie Center held a discussion in the series of Figures of Cross History Talk: Remembering the Figure of late Bung Tomo and reviewing the book titled “Bung Tomo’s Romanticism” held at THC Building on October 2, 2007. The event was attended by closest people to Bung Tomo and eyewitness of Bung Tomo’s struggle, among others Sulistina Sutomo (his wife), Truus Sudjono (1945 Fighter) and Batara Hutagalung (1945 Fighter).

The compilation of Bung Tomo’s letters is an integral part if somebody wants to know Bung Tomo from various sides of his life, like how Bung Tomo gave his great care to

his wife and children and his expressions to his friends who happened to be in power. Through the letters, people could also understand his hopes and wishes on the state’s life. In the book, despite personal letters but people could also find in the letters valuable historical materials.



DISCUSSION OF FIGURES OF CROSS HISTORY TALK “PASAR SENEN” STUCK TO LIFE OF ARTISTS OF 1950S

NOVEMBER 1, 2007

The Habibie Center held another series of discussion of Figures of Cross History Talk with the theme of the “Life of Artists in the 50s” at THC Building on November 1, 2007. Resource Persons in the discussion were Misbach Jusa Biran and Ajip Rosidi, both were artists of the 50s. The discussion was moderated by A. Makmur Makka, the Communication Director of THC.



According to Misbach, between the 50s and 60s Pasar (Market) Senen was the basis for the meeting of persons who were struggling hard to get the predicate of artists. People who assembled at Pasar Senen mostly were people from film and theater, some writer then joined them.

Ajip remembered the Senen Artists as a group who initially were neutral from political interests. Any misapprehension, differing in standing or difference in religion had often become heated debates but they were never divided. “It was since the 1957 Presidential Conception which had included the Indonesian Communist Party in Soekarno’s Gotong Royong (Cooperative) Cabinet then they were divided,” said Ajip Rosidi.

DISCUSSION AND BOOK REVIEW ON THE CONDITION ON BEING INDONESIAN IN CULTURE

NOVEMBER 14, 2007

The Habibie Center held a launching and book review “Condition on Being Indonesian in Culture” the work of Professor Dr. Edi Sedyawati (former Director General of Culture of the Department of Education and Culture) on November 14, 2007. The book review was attended by Prof. Dr. Sapardi Djoko Damono (professor of the Faculty of Literature of the University of Indonesia) who has given his review on the book.

The book, titled “Condition on Being Indonesian in Culture, emphasized the importance of giving life to the national and sub-national culture. According to

Prof. Edi, the national culture is a form of dialogue from various cultures that exist in Indonesia, whereas the sub-national culture is the indigenous culture which are inherited from previous generations.



CONTEST OF ESSAY WRITING FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AROUND JABOTABEK AREA.

In commemorating its 8th anniversary, THC held a contests of essay writing for high school students with the theme of “My Vision”. The contest began in October and ended in November 25, 2007.

The winners of the contest were:

- I. Evelyn Stephanie from Pax Patriae High School
- II. Doffani M. Oktriani (51 State High School, Jakarta)
- III. Mirza Hayati (113 State High School, Jakarta)
- 1st Hopeful Winner : Ivana Lestari (Fons Vitae High School)
- 2nd Hopeful Winner : Daniel Indra Hermantyo (Regina Pacis High School)

The presentation of the awards was done on December 6, 2007, coinciding the

commemoration of 8th anniversary of THC at the Gran Melia Hotel, Jakarta.

The presentation was done by H.E. Junus Effendy Habibie, member of the Board of Founders.

Later, on December 14, 2007 participants of the contest were given one day guidance in essay writing by a senior editor of Republika Daily, Priyantono Oemar at THC Building.



THC AND SDM-IPTEK AWARDED DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIPS TO EIGHT GRADUATE STUDENTS

As a form of care in strengthening of the Human Resources in Indonesia, the SDM-IPTEK Foundation had awarded scholarship in doctorate degree to eight students. They were Widyastuti, a student of the Faculty of Metallurgy of the University of Indonesia; Mulyani Syas, a student of Communication Science, the



University of Indonesia; Miftahul Munir, a student of Human Science, the Gadjah Mada University; Fatima Arifiati Noor, a student of the Faculty of Physics, the Bandung Institute of Technology; Oeke Yunita, a student of Biotechnology Science, the Airlangga University, Surabaya; Nanang Ismail, a student of Techno-Electric Science, Bandung Institute of Technology; Amilin, a student of Accountancy Science, Padjadjaran University, Bandung; Islah Gusmian, a student of the Sunan Kalijaga State Islamic University, Yogyakarta, Central Java.

The presentation of the scholarship awards was done coinciding the 8th anniversary of THC by the chairman of the SDM-IPTEK Foundation, Prof. Dr. Wardiman Djojonegoro.

HELP INDONESIA TSUNAMI VICTIM: TETO CONTRIBUTED HITV THC US\$200,000.

DECEMBER 6, 2007

Taipei Economic and Trade Organization (TETO) had contributed US\$200,000 to the program Help Indonesia Tsunami Victim (HITV) THC. The fund contribution was done at the commemoration of the 8th anniversary of THC at Gran Melia Hotel, Jakarta on December 6, 2007. TETO Representative, Timothy Yang had symbolically awarded the contribution and accepted by the THC chairman of the board, Prof. Muladi. In 2005, TETO had also contributed US\$30,000 for the HITV program. The HITV Program is a program to help Aceh tsunami victims in the form of building Care Houses to accommodate children of tsunami victims. Primary school

children in the care houses are provided educational facilities, health care and free accommodation. The program started in January, 2005.



VISITS

TAIWAN'S JOURNALISTS VISITED THC

JANUARY 29, 2007

On Monday, January 29, 2007 dozens of print and electronic journalists from Taiwan visited The Habibie Center's office. The visit of the journalists was coordinated by the Taipei Economic and Trade Organization (TETO). The purpose of the visit was to understand the media development in Indonesia.

THC on its behalf also invited some Indonesian journalists to give input the media development during the present reform era. They were Ray Wijaya (The Chief Editor of TPI), Bhekti Nugroho (Senior Reporter of RCTI) – both of them were television journalists; and Leo Batubara, the Vice Chairman of the Press Council.

"We come to The Habibie Center with 10 print media journalists and the six others are from electronic media," said Bruce Fu, one of the TETO staff. "They want to know media development in Indonesia after the reform began, and how Indonesian media covered the tsunami."



STUDENT ASSOCIATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES VISITED THC

AUGUST 7, 2007

Student Association for International Studies, a study institution of the Padjadjaran University students visited THC on August 7, 2007. The purpose of the visit was to find out and understanding on the United States' foreign policy and on international studies. The visit was warmly welcomed by the Communication Director Andi Makmur Makka, Program and research Director Dewi Fortuna Anwar, Senior Fellow Indria Samego, and the Head of the Maritime Council Abu Hartono.



CHINA'S STRATEGIC AND SECURITY STUDY INSTITUTE VISITED THC

OCTOBER 30, 2007

The Habibie Center welcomed the visit of the China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR) on Tuesday, October 30, 2007 at THC Building. The CICIR delegation were the Director of the Strategic and Security Studies Institute, Li Wei, accompanied by Dr. Fangjingying, Ma Yanbing and Xu Feibiao. They discussed a topic, "Islam and Counterterrorism Issue in Indonesia" with THC staff.

From THC there were present Vice Chairman of the Maritime Council Abu

Hartono and Administrative Affairs Director Fuadi Rasyid, the Communication Director A. Makmur Makka and some researchers.

The purpose of the CICIR delegates visit was to make a comparative study to understand and study the development of Islamic movement in Indonesia as well as religion followers' get togetherness. The visit of the CICIR delegates was a part of their research on Islamic development around the world.



THC'S CHAT PROGRAM





TALK SHOW THE HABIBIE CENTER ON TV



MARCH 14, 2007:

PRESS FREEDOM BEFORE AND AFTER INDONESIA'S INDEPENDENCE

THC Chat held the topic of Press Freedom Before and After Indonesia's Independence. The speaker in the talk show were Rosihan Anwar (a national press figure), Atmakusumah Astraatmadja and Moderator A. Makmur Makka on March 14, 2007. They discussed press freedom during the independent struggle, New Order and Reform era.

April 25, 2007: The Urgency of the 5th Constitution Amendment Towards Better State System. Speakers in the talk show were Prof. Muladi, Irman Gusman from the Regional Representatives Council (DPD), Firmansyah Arifin (KRHN) with Andrinof Chaniago from THC as moderator. They discussed the importance of the 5th Amendment of the Constitution to support the DPD's empowerment.

MAY 2, 2007:

A SERIES OF VISION OF THE NATION'S FUTURE: "THE NATION'S EMPOWERMENT THROUGH THE CONSOLIDATION OF DEMOCRATIC LIFE"

THC Chat on May 2, 2007 held the theme Series of Vision of the Nation's Future: "The Nation's Empowerment Through the Consolidation of the Democratic Life". The speaker were B.J. Habibi with Indria Samego and A. Watik Pratiknya as

interviewers. In the talk show it was put forth that some policies on politics had been appraised as bringing Indonesia towards democratic consolidation, for example the direct Presidential and Vice Presidential elections, and the freedom of the press.

MAY 9, 2007:

ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SECURITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INDONESIA AND SINGAPORE POST-SIGNING OF EXTRADITION AGREEMENT.

THC Chat held the theme: Economic, Political and Security Relationship Between Indonesia and Singapore Post-Signing of Extradition Agreement. It was held on May 9, 2007 with speakers were Prof. Hasjim Djalal (Expert of Law of the Sea), Ninasapti T. (University of Indonesia), Umar Juoro

(Economic Expert) and moderator Andrinof Chaniago. The talk show discussed how the future of Indonesia-Singapore would be likely, especially those concerning the extradition of several fugitives who had run away to Singapore.

MAY 23, 2007:

CONTROVERSIES OVER PROPOSALS ON PARTY'S OWNED ENTERPRISES.

THC's May 23, 2007 Chat held the topic of Controversies over Proposals on Party's Owned Enterprises (BUMP). The discussion's resource persons were Hajriyanto Y. Thohari (member of the Golkar Faction of the House of Representatives); Hadar Gumay (Cetro Director) Andrinof Chaniago (THC). Moderator: Ahmad Watik Pratiknya. The presence of BUMP had sparked

controversy. Those who agreed with the BUMP saw it as a good opportunity for the political party to have a self reliance in financial matters and no longer gnawing away at the money of the State Owned Enterprises (BUMN) whereas those who did not view the presence of the BUMP would be made a source of KKN (Corruption, Collusion and Nepotism) by the political parties.

JUNE 13, 2007:

CHALLENGES OF REALIZING THE 20% OF NATIONAL BUDGET FOR EDUCATION

The June 13, 2007 THC Chat held the topic of Challenges of Realizing the 20% of National Budget for Education. The resource persons in the talk show was Prof. Malik Fadjar, former Minister of Education and Culture, Herry Akhmadi (Member of

the Commission X of the House of Representatives) with A. Watik Pratiknya as moderator. The discussion highlighted the high time for the state to realize the 20% budget for education mainly to build strong and professional human resources.

JUNE 20, 2007:

FREEDOM TO OBTAIN PUBLIC INFORMATION (KMIP) BILL AND THE ERADICATION OF CORRUPTION.

The resource persons of the talk show were Agus Sudibyo (Coalition Coordinator of KMIP), Hajriyanto Y. Thohari (member of the House), Teten Masduki (Indonesian Corruption Watch—ICW) and Andrinof

Chaniago as moderator. The discussion highlighted the urgency of the presence of the KMIP Law to smoothen the eradication of corruption.

JULY 4, 2007:

FOREST DESTRUCTION AND THE FUTURE OF INDONESIAN FORESTS.

The July 4, 2007 THC Chat held the topic of Forest Destruction and the Future of Indonesian Forests with resource persons Abdon Nababab (Forest Watch Indonesia); Chalid Muhammad (Director, Living Environment Vehicle); Awriya Ibrahim (Director of Forest Investigation and

Management); and Andrinof Chaniago as moderator. The talk show highlighted on the high level destruction of Indonesia forests which cause a high impact on Indonesia's future, either from the economic side or environmental side.

JULY 11, 2007:

SERIES OF VISION OF THE FUTURE OF THE NATION: "NATION'S EMPOWERMENT THROUGH HUMAN AND TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT"

THC Chat held the theme of the Series of Vision of the Future of the Nation: "Nation's Empowerment through the Human and Technology Resources Development" with Prof. B.J. Habibie as the speaker and M. Zuhul (the Rector of Al-Azhar Indonesia University) and Ahmad

Watik Pratiknya as interviewers. The talk show highlighted the fact that Indonesia has put the foundation of technology transfer with the building of IPTN, PT PAL, PT Pindad, but still needs regulations to continue the foundation.

AUGUST 1, 2007:

INDONESIA'S ROLE IN THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL

THC Chat on August 1, 2007 held the theme "Indonesia's Role in the UN Security Council" with speakers Desra Percaya (Public Relation Officer of the Department

of Foreign Affairs), Dewi Fortuna Anwar (THC) and moderator Ahmad Watik Pratiknya.

AUGUST 15, 2007:

INVESTMENT PROSPECT POST-INVESTMENT LAW.

THC Chat held the theme "Investment Prospect post-Investment Law". Speakers in the talk show were Soetarto Soewardi (the Deputy of Investment Control, Investment Coordination Agency – BKPM),

M. Fadhil Hasan (INDEF Reseacher) and Made Suryadana (Secretary General of the Indonesian Young Entrepreneur Association – HIPMI)..

AUGUST 22, 2007: "

TRANSITION TOWARDS DEMOCRACY IN INDONESIA: THE ROLE OF POLITICAL PARTY AND CIVIL SOCIETY".

THC Chat held the theme "Transition Towards Democracy in Indonesia: The Role of Political Party and Civil Society". Speakers present in the talk show were Ganjar Pranowo (Head of Political Bill, the House of Representatives) and Syamsuddin Harris (Indonesian Science Institute). The

talk show concluded that between the three elements – political party, civil society and local elites – political party is the most decisive institution that decides the success or failure of the democratic transition process in Indonesia.

AUGUST 29, 2007:

SERIES OF THE VISION OF THE FUTURE OF THE NATION: "THE NATION'S EMPOWERMENT THROUGH CONSOLIDATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: POVERTY AND UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEMS".

THC Chat held the Series of the Vision of the Future of the Nation: The Nation's Empowerment through Consolidation of Economic Development: Poverty and Unemployment" with B.J. Habibie as speaker and Umar Juoro (THC) and

Ahmad Watik Pratiknya as interviewers. It was put forth in talk show that the government should make clear policies in overcoming poverty and unemployment, for if these problems are not resolved they will put Indonesia back as a poor country.

SEPTEMBER 5, 2007:

CHARGING YOUNG GENERATION'S NATIONALISM

THC Chat on September 5, 2007 held the theme "Charging Young Generation's Nationalism" with speakers Miftah N. Sabri (Center for Political Study – Puskapol – University of Indonesia), Sandiaga Uno (Chairman of the Young Entrepreneur's Association), and Novarianti Yusuf (Activist). The talk show highlighted the

need of the young generation nowadays to redefine the meaning of nationalism. In the revolutionary era, nationalism was always meant as a fight against the colonialists. Now, however, young generation's nationalism is no longer taking arms but mastering science and technology.

SEPTEMBER 12, 2007:

10 YEARS OF INDONESIAN ECONOMIC CRISIS

THC Chat held the topic of "10 Years of Indonesian Economic Crisis" with speakers Andrinof Chaniago (THC) and Ninasapti T. (University of Indonesia) and Afuiliiani (INDEF). The speakers highlighted the need the government and private sector to be always on guard on the possible recurrence

of the economic crisis like what happened 10 years ago for indications have been felt, like the high level of unemployment, the high inflation rate and the flaming up of the rate of rupiah against foreign currencies.

SEPTEMBER 19, 2007:

QUESTIONING THE NATIONAL BUDGET

THC Chat held the topic of "Questioning the 2008 National Budget" with speakers Rama Pratama (member of the Commission XI, the House of Representatives), Umar Juoro (THC) and Aviliani (INDEF Researcher). The speakers highlighted the

need the government make clear policy to overcome the deficit of the 2008 National Budget. One of such policies is the privatization of a number of strategic State Owned Enterprises (BUMN) in a controlled selectivity way.

SEPTEMBER 26, 2007:

CONTROVERSY OVER THE CONVERSION FROM KEROSENE TO GAS

THC Chat held the topic of "Controversy over the Conversion from Kerosene to Gas" with speakers Andrinof Chaniago (Economic Observer, THC), Umar Juoro (THC), Hanung Budya (Deputy Director of Marketing, Pertamina) and moderator Ahmad Watik Pratiknya. The speakers discussed the need of good socialization for

the conversion from kerosene to gas to change the community's habit of using kerosene to use gas instead. Moreover, the Pertamina needs to guarantee the availability of the gas for the community to avoid the lack that could spark the gas price hike.

OCTOBER 1, 2007:

FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION IN THE INFORMATION AGE: CHALLENGES THAT CONFRONT ASIA AND EUROPE

THC Chat held the topic of “Freedom of Expression in the Information Age: Challenges that Confront Asia and Europe”. Speakers present at the talk show were Dr. Shashi Tharoor (former Undersecretary General for Communication and Publication of the United Nations), Dr. Ade Armando (University of Indonesia) and Moritz

Kleine-Brockhoff (Southeast Asia Correspondent of der Tagesspiegel and Hannoversche Allgemeine Zeitung). The speakers highlighted the freedom of the press Indonesia has enjoyed, but qualitatively the freedom is still in a low rate, marked by pornographic media that is still rampant and the high rate of violence against media.

NOVEMBER 16, 2007:

INDONESIA-MALAYSIA RELATIONSHIP IN THE REGIONAL AND GLOBAL CONTEXT: GENERAL ISSUES

THC Chat held the topic of “Indonesia-Malaysia Relationship in the Regional and Global Context” with Anwar Ibrahim, the former Deputy Malaysian Prime Minister and A. Watik Pratiknya as speakers. Anwar Ibrahim highlighted the need for the Malaysian government to mirror from

Indonesia in the democratic life, the implementation of human rights and the freedom of the press. On the other hand Indonesian government should be able to learn from Malaysia on macroeconomic policy that is implemented by the government of Malaysia.

NOVEMBER 21, 2007:

THE ROLE OF IT IN CONSOLIDATION OF DEMOCRACY

THC Chat held the theme “The Role of IT in Consolidation of Democracy” with Prof. Sofian Effendi (Gadjah Mada University) and Dr. Dwi Handoko (The Agency for the Assessment and Application of Technology – BPPT) as speakers. In the discussion it was put forth the very

important role played by the information technology in the consolidation of democracy. One of the benefit of the IT is that information technology is expected to be able to increase the citizens’ participation through the aggregation of public opinion by telephone.



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