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Towards People-centered Indonesia-Korea Relations

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Indonesia-Korea relations & the Human Dimension

- * 'golden period'
- * 'human dimension': migration of people
- 1) Korean investments to Indonesia
'Korean boom' started in early 1990s.
1,500 Korean companies & 45,000 Koreans
The largest foreign community in Indonesia.
- 2) Indonesian migration to Korea, mostly workers
The first arrival in 1993
Indonesians now over 400,000
The 5th largest foreign group
in Korea
- * Implications:
Beyond G to G,
People-centered relations



New Southern Policy of Korea & the People-centered Orientation



It's my goal to elevate Korea's relationship with the ASEAN to the level of its relations with the four major powers around the Korean Peninsula

ASEAN as a major power for Korea

Comparing 4 major powers (US, China, Japan & Russia)

Trade (2017)		Investment (2018)		Foreign visitors (2018)		Korean visits (2018)		Overseas Koreans (2017)	
Country	Mil. USD	country	Mil. USD	country	1,000	country	1,000	country	1,000
China	268,614	US	10,808	China	4,789	<u>ASEAN</u>	7,991	China	2,548
<u>ASEAN</u>	159,739	<u>ASEAN</u>	6,135	Japan	2,948	Japan	7,538	US	818
US	131,588	China	4,766	<u>ASEAN</u>	2,445	China	3,854	Japan	818
Japan	85,133	Japan	1,312	US	967	US	911	<u>ASEAN</u>	319
Russia	24,825	Russia	94	Russia	302	Russia	254	Russia	169



3P Principle of NSP

People

- Putting people as the highest goal
- Sociocultural and people-to-people exchange
- People-oriented, people-centered approach

Prosperity

- Mutually beneficial economic cooperation
- Dropping mercantilist approach
- Enhancing ASEAN Connectivity

Peace

- Political and security matters
- Peace, rather than security
- ASEAN-Korea, to build peace in the region

People-centered Relations?

- 1) Mutual visits
(Key indicator for performance check: 15 million in 2020)
- 2) 2-way cultural exchange
- 3) Human resource development
- 4) Enhancing governance
(including civil society networking)
- 5) Protecting rights of people
(including supports for ASEAN people in Korea)
- 6) Better quality of life
(including cooperation on public health)



People-centered relations = Regional partnership for the SDGs.

Healthcare & welfare research cooperation

- Thai experiment towards universal healthcare coverage for 17 years. The infant mortality rate is decreasing drastically.
- Indonesia is chasing Thai for universal healthcare coverage.
- Vietnam also reveals relatively nice performance in healthcare
- Healthcare reform in Southeast Asia provides exciting and dynamic examples
- It's the time to make Korea-Japan-ASEAN cooperation for healthcare and welfare studies
- Target: SEASIA Conference 2021, maybe in Indonesia



Indonesia-Korea Solidarity for Better Democracy

- Democracy as a common value between Indonesia and Korea.
- Blueprint for 'Indonesia Democracy Foundation'
- Cooperation with Korea Democracy Foundation (KDF)
- Civic education, research, archive and exhibit on the history of struggle for democracy and human rights
- "A path toward democracy" = remembering the dark past and marching for the future
- "Melawan lupa" activism
- Memory of the Reformasi -> Reformasi Jilid Dua.



- 'Export' plan of social movements? No!

Reciprocal way of mutual learning

Example: Rectification of the ILO core conventions

	Freedom of association		Forced labour		Discrimination		Child labour	
	C87	C98	C29	C105	C100	C111	C138	C182
Indonesia	1998	1957	1950	1999	1958	1999	1999	2000
Korea					1997	1998	1999	2001

Indonesia is better than Korea in international labor standards

Korea is better than Indonesia in transitional justice.

- *The Almanac of Solidarity Movements with Southeast Asia in Korea.*
A directory of Korean NGOs which has interest on Southeast Asian peoples.

Civil society partnership is vital for pursuing better democracy and realising SDGs in our region.