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Monitoring Ministry's Performance and Debottlenecking Bureaucratic Obstacles in Indonesia

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About the Speaker

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Dr Agung Wicaksono assists the Head of President's Delivery Unit for Development Monitoring and Oversight (UKP4) who is tasked to oversee the performance of ministries, and he is particularly in charge of energy sector as well as state-owned enterprises. An Assistant Professor at School of Business and Management, Institut Teknologi Bandung (SBM ITB) where he previously led the Executive MBA program in Jakarta, he was also a former Research Associate at ISEAS with his works on "Indonesian State-owned Enterprises: The Challenge of Reform" (Southeast Asian Affairs 2008) and "Energy Efficiency in Japan" (ed. 2007). He gained his Ph.D. in International Management from University of St. Gallen, Switzerland with dissertation on "Corporate Governance of State-Owned Enterprises in Southeast Asia", M.Sc. and Master in Management from Technical University Hamburg, Germany and Bachelor's degree from ITB. Before joining the public sector, he was a management consultant at Roland Berger, Ernst & Young and A.T. Kearney.

About the Seminar

President's Delivery Unit for Development Monitoring and Oversight (UKP4) led by Dr. Kuntoro Mangkusubroto is tasked by the President and Vice President of Republic of Indonesia, Dr. Yudhoyono and Dr. Boediono, to monitor the delivery of development programs executed by ministries in the 2nd United Indonesia Cabinet, especially on National Priority areas such as energy, infrastructure, investment climate, bureaucratic reform and climate change. Being a non-partisan working unit in the midst of liberal democracy, it consists of independent professionals aiming to apply management principles – commonly found in the private sector – to ensure consistency and synchronization in the work of public sector management. Hence, governance reform is the cornerstone of its efforts. However, coordination is the toughest challenge in a republic that has undergone 23 years decentralization and democratization. Evidences in debottlenecking critical problems in key areas such as energy and infrastructure become important; in order to build public confidence that professionalism and integrity can fix a country tangled by political factionalism and overlapping regulation.

You are cordially invited to this seminar.