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Bali Democracy Students Conference – 19th November 2021

I am forwarding herewith copy of the letter No. EAP/IND/REL/01/2021 dated 28.10.2021 sent by the Secretary/ Foreign Ministry regarding the above (**Annex I**).

2. The Government of Indonesia will hold the Bali Democracy Students Conference (BDSC) bearing the theme “Forging the Role of Youth in Democracy: Towards Social Inclusivity and Sustainable Economic Recovery” on 19th November 2021 in a hybrid format as a part of road to the 14th Bali Democracy Forum (BDF). Bali Democracy Student Conference is a conference among students with discussions on issues related to democracy organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia.

3. Accordingly, you are kindly requested to disseminate the enclosed information among relevant authorities/ parties under the purview of your university/institute.

Krishanthi Meegahapola

Director (Overseas Education)

for Secretary

Copy: Secretary/ Foreign Ministry

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Secretary
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Attn : Ms. Krishanthi Meegahapola, Director (Overseas Education)

Bali Democracy Students Conference
19th November 2021

1. The Embassy of Indonesia in Colombo has informed this Ministry that the Government of Indonesia will hold the Bali Democracy Students Conference (BDSC) bearing the theme "**Forging the Role of Youth in Democracy: Towards Social Inclusivity and Sustainable Economic Recovery**" on **19th November 2021** in a hybrid format as a part of road to the 14th Bali Democracy Forum (BDF).
2. Bali Democracy Student Conference is a conference among students with discussions on issues related to democracy organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia. It was held for the first time in Bali in 2017.
3. It would be appreciated if you could kindly take necessary action to disseminate the aforementioned information among interested parties. Copies of the general information and application form are attached herewith for information and appropriate action please.

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for Secretary.

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**BALI DEMOCRACY STUDENTS CONFERENCE (BDSC)
THE 5th BALI DEMOCRACY STUDENT CONFERENCE
FORGING THE ROLE OF YOUTH IN DEMOCRACY: TOWARDS SOCIAL INCLUSIVITY
AND SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC RECOVERY
Bali, 19 November 2021**

The Bali Democracy Forum (BDF) was first inaugurated in 2008 as an avenue to push for a more progressive and robust democratic architecture in the Asia-Pacific region. Since its inception, the event has facilitated dialogues and the sharing of experiences and best practices in managing diverse perspectives in a democratic environment - while upholding the principles of equality, mutual understanding and respect.

Since 2017, the BDF has developed further through the involvement of students in the Bali Democracy Students Conference (BDSC). The aim of the BDSC is to encourage the transfer of values of democracy to and among the younger generation. The BDSC provides an opportunity for the exchange of views, ideas, experiences and best practices among students. It also provides an avenue to engage with and absorb views and input from government officials and civil societies.

For the past 4 years, BDSC consistently presents thematic areas of concerns on the issue of democracy that engages youth from over 60 countries into problem-solving dialogues. The success of BDSC is demonstrated through the increasing number of participants by years, from 150 students in 2017 to 238 participants in 2020. The 4th BDSC discussed the theme of "Democracy, Youth and COVID-19". Over 150 students, consisting of Indonesian and foreign students from universities in Indonesia and abroad, are expected to participate in the Conference.

Now in its 5th year, the BDSC has established itself as the must-attend Student Conference on Democracy in the Asia-Pacific. The 5th BDSC is to be conducted in a hybrid format on 19 November 2021, as a preliminary event leading up to the 14th BDF that will be held on 9 December 2021.

Who can participate?

Participants of BDSC are 150+ students, consists of:

- Indonesian students from various universities in Indonesia and abroad
- Foreign students around the world
- Participants must be:
 - Bachelor's and Master's degree students having interest in political issues, especially democracy.
 - Between the age of 21 – 28 years old;
 - Good command of English;
 - Good organizational skills;
 - Active social media presence.

How to participate?

Prepare the following documents:

1. Filled-in application form
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. Recommendation Letter from the University
4. Copy of Passport/ID card
5. Copy of Students ID Card
6. Photo (4X6 cm, colour)
7. Short essay in English about views on Sustainable Economic Recovery and Social Inclusivity (650 words, font: Arial 11, 1.5pt space)
8. Profile video (max. 1 min) in English, uploaded to Instagram personal account (IGTV), which consist of:
 - o Introduction of name and University
 - o Views on "The Role of Youth In Democracy: Towards Social Inclusivity And Sustainable Economic Recovery"

What is BDSC?

Bali Democracy Student Conference (BDSC) is a conference among students with discussions on issues related to democracy organized by the Ministry of the Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia. It was held for the first time in Bali in 2017, as one of the pillars of the Bali Democracy Forum (BDF), along with Bali Civil Society and Media Forum (BCSMF), and Economic Pillar. Due to COVID-19 pandemic, BDSC V will be conducted in *hybrid format*, on 19th of November 2021 as part of Road to the 14th BDF.

What are the Main Objectives of BDSC?

- To provide a forum for young generation from different countries and background to discuss issues concerning democracy.
- To transfer and share knowledge about the discourse on democracy at the BDF to young generation.
- To get inputs, new ideas, and absorb aspirations and perspectives of the student's concerning democracy.

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- 3-4 minutes profile video in English, uploaded to Instagram personal account (IGTV), which consist of:
 - Introduction of name and University
 - Views on "Democracy for Prosperity"

All documents must be submitted to email: pensosbud.colombo@kemlu.go.id

Outline of the Conference

The conference, themed "Forging the Role of Youth in Democracy: Towards Social Inclusivity and Sustainable Economic Recovery", will conduct deliberation on issues pertaining to Sustainable Economic Recovery and Social Inclusivity.

Participants of the 5th BDSC are also invited to attend the 14th Bali Democracy Forum, that will be held on the 9th of December 2021, in Bali (hybrid format). A representative of BDSC will be invited to deliver a report at the Closing Session.



**Bali Democracy Students Conference (BDSC)
Bali, 19th November 2021
APPLICATION FORM**

Personal Information

1. Full Name :
2. Place of Birth :
3. Date of Birth :
4. Gender :
5. Nationality :

Contact Details

1. Mobile No. : Country Code (+).....
2. Email :
3. Social media account (Instagram, twitter, LinkedIn):
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University Data

1. University :
2. Address of University :
3. Faculty :
4. Major/Department :

Are you interested to be Speaker during the Panel Discussion Session?

Yes No

Place and date

Signature

Applicant's Name