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Solving Infrastructure's Bottlenecks is the First Step to Building Indonesia's Future

- **The current government infrastructure plans are being rolled out, however challenges still remain**
- **The need to embrace new technology across all infrastructure sectors and creating a conducive market for investment are crucial to ensure smooth implementation**
- **KADIN calls all stakeholders from the Government, business industry and investors to answer the challenges together through Indonesia International Infrastructure Conference and Exhibition (IIICE) 2015 held in Jakarta, 4-6 November**

Jakarta, 19 August 2015 – Economic growth is targeted to be 5.2 per cent this year, backed by President Joko Widodo's commitment to inject US\$ 5 billion into State Owned Enterprises handling infrastructure projects, including 11 mega ones. Overall, the government target to spend Rp 5,519 trillion in the next five years on infrastructure projects with roughly Rp 2,216 trillion coming from the government budgets. With large investment and high risks at stake, Indonesia as a country needs to come together to make sure that everything works smoothly.

Some of the bottlenecks identified in the implementation process are the lack of capacity in embracing new technology and lack of investment-friendly ecosystems. Indonesian Chamber of Commerce (KADIN) is calling all stakeholders to address the issues, one of which, through this year's Indonesia International Infrastructure Conference and Exhibition (IIICE) 2015. IIICE is a national dialogue and platform held annually in Jakarta, which gathers a variety of industry players from the private and public sector to identify what new available technologies can be adopted and what policies should be applied while rolling out infrastructure projects. The forum provides a much needed communication channel and brings significant opportunities for all stakeholders to meet, collaborate and work together for a solution.

The Vice Chairman, KADIN, on Infrastructure, Zulnahr Usman states: "2015 carries big potential for Indonesia, especially because we have seen the fruition of previously planned projects. The next challenge is to ensure that we can support the development by embracing new technology, together with sustainable and inclusive infrastructure." All stakeholders need to ensure that there is enough manpower to answer the demand of technology based industry, both in the big cities and regions, which can improve economic growth and reduce unemployment.

This year, whilst covering all the core infrastructure sectors such as ports, transportation, power generation, water supply and waste water management, the focus of IIICE will be on



accelerating the implementation of the many regional and national projects, by eliminating bottlenecks and making sure that the infrastructure pipeline flows better.

Last year, IIICE successfully gathered over 200 manufacturing and service companies and more than 10,000 stakeholders, potential buyers and investors.

IIICE will also collaborate with the Regional Government Conference (RGC), which presents programs and dialogues on: enhancing strategic international partnerships in support of Indonesia's national infrastructure agenda; mapping the role of government, the financial institutions and collaboration with state owned enterprises in projects; implications of the Land and Acquisition Program for upcoming projects.

"Indonesia has shown solid growth over the past decade, and despite the recent economic dips, we are hopeful the country will return to a growth surge in 2016," Zulnahr added. "To achieve that, the IIICE'15 exhibition and conference will bring knowledge and increase skills to our human resources, based on new state-of-the-art technologies," he continued.

IIICE'15 will also present an exhibition where manufacturers and service providers will have the chance to promote their companies to the entire infrastructure chain. 28 per cent of buyers visiting the event last year came from government (including 32 provinces across Indonesia) and 61 per cent from the private sector. This year, key companies who will participate in IIICE'15 are: SMI, Vermeer, Phillips, Fuji Electric, Dusaspun and Steel Pipe Indo. IIICE'15 is open to participation from all industries, domestic and international.

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About Indonesia Infrastructure Week 2015

Indonesia Infrastructure Week (IIW) 2015 is an annual event organized by Infrastructure Asia in collaboration with its partners. This year, IIW will be held in Jakarta Convention Centre in 4-6 November and will have four major industry sector exhibition and conference events:

- Indonesia International Infrastructure Conference and Exhibition (IIICE) 2015, hosted by KADIN Indonesia
- Konstruksi Indonesia (KI) 2015, hosted by Ministry of Public Works and Housing
- Airports and Aviation Indonesia (AAI) 2015, hosted by Indonesia Transportation Society (MTI)
- Connect Expo Comm Indonesia (CECI) 2015, hosted by Indonesia Telematics Society (MASTEL)

Visitors to each of these events will automatically have access to all four events and can take part in a hosted buyer programme to meet with other business contacts.

For further information on IIW '15 please go to www.indonesiainfrastructureweek.com

