



## PROFILE OF FOREIGN POLICY STUDY GROUP (FPSG)

The Foreign Policy Study Group (FPSG) was established on January 2010. FPSG is an NGO, whose objective is to strengthen ASEAN and at its core Indonesia-Malaysia relations. FPSG is collaborating with The Sasakawa Peace Foundation (SPF) to create a platform for personalities and professionals from Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and Vietnam to exchange ideas and opinions on the relevant issues affecting the region as well as consolidating the existing bilateral relations between the respective countries.

FPSG and SPF share a common perception that endeavors to promote ASEAN regionalism, with a focus on making ASEAN the anchor of East Asian regional architecture. With the advent of the East Asian Summit process, ASEAN has to assume its role as the principal driver of East Asia. Toward this end, it is considered that practical platforms for further efficient information-sharing, discussions and collaboration among important decision-makers in the region are highly demanded.

This initial series of seminars and conferences organized by FPSG is a small beginning to gather and engage highly influential stakeholders from various fields including governments, business, academia, the diplomatic service and the media. The specific purpose is to identify challenges in the path of fostering stronger intra-ASEAN relations.

The Seminar also seeks to understand the important thematic issues that affect ASEAN, and the importance of improving ASEAN's collective branding internationally, and the need for ASEAN to take a common position on issues of international import so as to grow as a single community of nations and states.

The organization of a series of Seminars and Conferences is a continuing process of enhancing bilateral relations toward the theme of "Strengthening Regional Integration in ASEAN through Multi-channel Dialogue."



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