CONCEPT NOTE

One of the goals of CALD member parties is to contest and win elections in order to represent and serve the people and impart liberal and democratic values in policies and decisions. CALD, over the years, has extended its support to CALD members by providing training and organizing election missions to express solidarity and support.

This year, CALD member parties face new challenges in Thailand (general elections on 24 March), Indonesia (general elections on 17 April), and the Philippines (mid-term elections on 13 May). These crucial elections will not only change the course of the countries, but will also change the dynamics and set the trajectory of Asia as a region influenced by the hegemony of China, dollar diplomacy, the rise of populism and authoritarianism, and prevalence of post-truth.

In 2018, as CALD celebrated its 25th anniversary, Asian liberal leaders agreed to be guided by the fundamental belief that “liberal and democratic values can provide sustainable, effective remedies to the most pressing issues and concerns that the world confronts today.” And as former CALD Chairperson Abhisit Vejjajiva said, “We need to go back to what we do best, being the force for change and progress.”

On 14-18 April, CALD will organizing the CALD Election Mission to Indonesia to: 1) gather information and discuss critical issues that confront the simultaneous presidential and legislative elections; 2) meet and show support to two of CALD’s member parties, the Indonesian Democratic Party of Struggle (PDIP) and the Nation Awakening Party (PKB); and 3) learn from the best campaign practices and strategies from CALD parties and partners.

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

14 April 2019, Sunday

Variable       Arrival of delegates and hotel check-in
16:45           Meet at the lobby
19:30           Welcome dinner

Seribu Rasa
Agus Salim, Jl. Haji Agus Salim 128 Menteng, Jakarta Pusat

15 April 2019, Monday

08:00           Meet at the hotel lobby
09:00-10:00 Meeting with Association for Election and Democracy (Perludem)

Ms. Khoirunnisa Nur Agustyati
Deputy Director Program
Venue: Perludem Office, Jl Tebet Timur IVA no.1, Jakarta

Perludem is a foundation that assesses election regulations, mechanisms and procedures and submits recommendations for system and regulatory development. It also provides training for community leaders, election officials and observers. Perludem monitors the implementation of elections and takes record of the violations and elections disputes.

11:00-14:00 Meeting with Pak Hasto Kristiyanto, PDIP Secretary General, and other PDIP leaders and legislative candidates

Lunch hosted by PDIP at the new PDIP extension building

15:00-16:30 Meeting with Hanif Dhakiri, PKB Secretary General

17:30-18:30 Meeting with Ms. Dewi S. Sari, Operational Director of MAFINDO, and Mr. Aribowo Sasmito, Director of MAFINDO

Venue: Jl. Bangka XII No.4, RT.2/RW.7, Pela Mampang, Mampang Prpt., Kota Jakarta Selatan, Daerah Khusus Ibukota Jakarta 12720

MAFINDO is an anti hoax CSO (civil society organization). It began as an online grassroots movement in 2015 and founded as an organization on 19 November 2016 with the goal to combat hoaxes & hate speech. Mafindo have spearheaded many anti hoax initiatives, such as crowdsourced hoax busting, digital literacy education for the public, CekFakta.com, and public campaigns to raise awareness about hoax and its dangers.

19:30 Dinner hosted by PDIP with legislative candidates in Jakarta

Plataran Menteng
Jl. H.O.S. Cokroaminoto No. 42, Menteng, Jakarta Pusat

16 April 2019, Tuesday

10:00 Meet at the hotel lobby

10:30-12:00 Visit the Jokowi Rumah Aspirasi (JRA) with Mr. Michael Umbas, Director of JRA

12:00-14:00 Lunch
**Harum Manis Restaurant – Sudirman**  
*Retail Arcade Apartemen Pavilion, Jl. K.H. Mas Mansyur No.Kav 24, RT.12/RW.11, Karet Tengsin, Jakarta*

15:00-16:00  Meeting with Regional Autonomy Watch (KPPOD)

**Mr. Robert Endi Jaweng, Executive Director**  
*Venue: KPPOD Office, Permata Kuningan Building 10 Floor  
Jl. Kuningan Mulia Kav. 9C, Guntur Setiabudi, Jakarta Selatan 12980*

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**The Regional Autonomy Watch Committee (KPPOD)** is an experimental result of cooperation between business sector, academics, and mass media as three important social pillars in Indonesia at present. KPPOD values decentralization and regional autonomy as policies that are aimed to change government management structure from centralism to decentralism, and at the same time shifting the development pattern that is dominated by the State to such condition that provides more openly, opportunities to communities and private sectors.

17:00-18:00  Meeting with Taruna Merah Putih, PDIP Youth Wing

19:00  Dinner

**Lara Djonggrang Restaurant**  
*Jln. Teuku Cikditiro 4 | Tugu Hotel, Jakarta*

17 April 2019, Wednesday

08:30  Meet at the hotel lobby

09:00-12:00  Observe select voting stations (with PDIP volunteers)

13:00-14:30  Lunch hosted by PDIP

**Soup Restaurant**  
*3rd Floor, Plaza Indonesia, Jakarta*

15:00-16:00  Visit PDIP Headquarters to observe counting
Meeting with the International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES)

**Mr. Anhar Jamal, Senior Adviser**  
Venue: Election Visitor Program Information Center  
Ritz Carlton Hotel, Kuningan, Jakarta

Contact person: Isach Karmiadji  
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**IFES** is a development organization that supports citizens’ right to participate in free and fair elections. It has the independent expertise to strengthen electoral systems and build local capacity to deliver sustainable solutions. IFES provides technical assistance to election officials, empowers the underrepresented to participate in the political process, and applies field-based research to improve the electoral cycle.

Free Night

**18 April 2019, Thursday**

Variable Departure