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EXPLORING THE GAP OF PROCUREMENT GUIDELINE IN MATARAM

The Working Group on Procurement held a workshop to compare GOI Procurement Guidelines (Presidential Decree No.80/2003 – Keppres 80/2003) with Development Partners procurement guidelines.



WG Procurement Team took picture to release stress after frustrated workshop in Mataram, 9-11 October 2009.

This workshop is part of series of activities to harmonize GOI and Development Partners' procurement guidelines. Harmonization of procurement system is one of the key issues under the Paris Declaration as well as in the Jakarta Commitment.

The workshop took place in Mataram – Lombok on 9 to 11 October 2009. The event attended by 34 participants from A4DES WG Procurement, the National Procurement Policy Agency (LKPP), BAPPENAS, ADB, World Bank and AusAID.

The workshop opened by Mr. Agus Raharjo, Secretary of LKPP. Following presentation on the draft revision of Keppres 80/2003 and Development Partners procurement guidelines, the participants discussed remaining gaps. There are 16 issues identified and need to be addressed in the harmonization process. These will be resolved in stages and will be tabled for the next working group meeting.

The workshop was concluded by Dr. Lukita Dinarsyah Tuwo, Chairman of A4DES Steering Committee.

INFID COORDINATED CSO MEETING IN RESPOND TO THE JAKARTA COMMITMENT

A4DES dialogue with civil society organizations (CSOs) that was conducted in September 2009 was responded positively by the CSO which comes with a recommendation to hold further and more frequent discussion. During the event, it was agreed that INFID will organize the next dialogue with A4DES.

On 8 October 2009, INFID host the continuation of dialogue with A4DES with particular topic about the Jakarta Commitment. The meeting was held in INFID office. Mr. Don K. Marut of INFID and Mr. Piet of Partnership guided the discussion. Participants including KONTRAS, Transparency International, TIFA, PATTIRO, and representative from other CSOs. Mr. Kurniawan Ariadi & Mr. Dodi Miharjana representing A4DES in the discussion.

In the opening, Mr. Marut (INFID) and Mr. Piet (PARTNERSHIP) provided information and review of various loans and foreign grants from the perspective of CSOs. Mr. Marut stated although in the beginning INFID was very skeptical about the Jakarta Commitment, after reviewing the document and having discussions with key Government staff, it is seen as a shift of paradigm in the management of official development assistance. Therefore, INFID is now responded positively although it will maintain its critical stance to the implementation of the Jakarta.

It follows by a brief presentation on the Jakarta



Kurniawan Ariadi, one of the PIC Secretariat A4DE talking about Jakarta's commitment in the Office of INFID, October 8, 2009.

Commitment and A4DES. The discussion was focusing on the role of CSO in the implementation of the Jakarta Commitment Action Plan. Other issues raised are gender and human rights element in the Jakarta Commitment. While the role of CSOs remain to be discussed, the participants agreed to support and monitor the implementation of Jakarta's commitment. Next dialogue session with CSOs is expected to be held before the end of 2009.