

Jakarta International Youth Program 2017

“Reinventing Social Engagement for a Better Jakarta”

Background

The Jakarta International Youth Program was first held in 2014 as an event under the Jakarta Sister City Cooperation Program. It aims to introduce Jakarta to the youths from a number of cities around the world, as well as strengthening the cooperation between Jakarta and its partner cities.

In the year 2017, the Jakarta International Youth Program adopted a theme of “Reinventing Social Engagement for a Better Jakarta.” The theme originated from the traditional Indonesian philosophy of social engagement, also known as the *gotongroyong* and *kekeluargaan*. These can respectively be translated as “mutual assistance” and “kinship.”

The Indonesian people have been known for their friendliness and willingness to help. Said attitude applies not only to their friends and neighbors, but extends even to strangers. It is for this very reason that the philosophy of mutual assistance was born. Should one finds oneself in distress, all members of the community will do their best to lend support. The attitude is bolstered by the Indonesian concept of kinship, which views that all members of a community—be it in a neighborhood, a city, or even a country—belong to one family.

Similar to the traditional values around the world, the tenets of *gotongroyong* and *kekeluargaan* faces challenges arising from social transformations. The rapid progress of technology had increasingly contributed to the isolation of individuals from society. This leads to the breakdown of some of the older social customs, but offered new freedom do things faster and better than before.

In this regard, Jakarta faces a dilemma. The Jakarta Capital City Government needs to embrace progress to deliver the best public services possible. At the same time, the government realized the need to maintain the citizen’s traditional disposition towards cooperation, and the uniqueness which makes the people truly feel like they belong to a community of Jakartans.

By working with all the stakeholders in a city—among them local ethnic communities, private companies, academic circles, the average citizens and international partners—The Jakarta Capital City Government hope to revitalize the concept in the daily lives of the citizens. By instilling the sense of belonging, the people of Jakarta will care and participate more in both the community and the governing of the city. This will in turn boost transparency, stimulate new ideas, and ensure that the government delivers a more efficient public service—and more humane way of life—for a better Jakarta.

Overview

The Jakarta International Youth Program is designed to introduce Jakarta as a city to the youth from Jakarta’s international partner cities. The participants are university students invited from these cities, with varying backgrounds and interests. From their perspective as students of various disciplines, they are expected to share their ideas on how the Jakarta should handle the seemingly contradictory situation of technological advancement and isolation vs. the need to maintain the citizen’s spirit of cooperation and their sense of belonging.

The selected participants are expected to make an essay and/or presentation related to the topic. Several leading questions might be found in the Essay Section of this document. During the program, which included field visits to several of Jakarta’s key locations related to public service, tourism, history, transportation, and culture, the participants are encouraged to take notes and other forms of documentation. The data may be utilized to revise their essay and/or presentation, which will be used during the Discussion and Presentation Session on the fifth day of the Program (see Schedule).

Their presentations and revised essays shall be collected and documented by the Jakarta Capital City Government.

Participants

1. University students between the ages of 18-25 years.
2. Each participating city should send 1 male and 1 female university students, if possible from different majors, but both of the majors should be related to the topic of the program. Such majors are, for example, but are not limited to, public administration, urban studies, computer science, social and political science, and business administration.
3. Students with hobbies/active interest in writing, traveling, history, or arts, and/or participating in communities related to the aforementioned fields is a plus.
4. Good social media skills and following is a plus.
5. The participants were selected by their respective cities' government, according to the criteria previously stated in points 1-4.
6. Selected participants are expected to send submit the completed participant forms to their respective cities' governments, with a copy of their essays and passports attached. Said documents will be forwarded to the Jakarta Capital City Government, for the participants to receive personalized invitation letters.

Essay

1. Selected participants are expected to write an essay (minimum 1.000 words, maximum 3.000 words) related to their major and the topic of the program. The essay may be adapted into a power point format, and may be presented during the Presentation and Discussion Session on the fifth day of the program.
2. Several leading questions, which might be used as a guidance in writing the essay are, but are not limited to:
 - a. How to promote tourism in a remote island, while enriching the lives of the local community and minimizing environmental impact?
 - b. Digitalization and information technology make public services more efficient. What kind of system is suitable for Jakarta, with its large number of web and smartphone users?
 - c. What makes a city appeal to foreign investors? How to achieve this?
 - d. What are the best modes of transportation for Jakarta, considering its large population and considerable commuters from the surrounding 4 satellite cities?
 - e. What support can a city feasibly offer to startups and/or creative industries?
 - f. How to help local artists from indigenous culture to promote their work on a global scale?
 - g. How to create and recognize an easily identifiable brand and/or image for a city?

Expenses

1. Expenses for accommodation and meals for 6 days (plus dinner on the day of the arrival) shall be borne by the Jakarta Capital City Government.
2. Roundtrip airfare from their respective cities to Jakarta will be borne by the participants' respective city governments.

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City Profile

Jakarta is the capital and the largest city of Indonesia. As a metropolis, it is home to around ten million people. Occupying an area of only 661.5 km², the city is considered the most densely populated area in the country.

During weekdays and working hours, the total number of people in Jakarta can reach fourteen million. The increase is caused by the commuters from the surrounding satellite cities, namely *Bogor*, *Depok*, *Tangerang*, and *Bekasi*. Together with Jakarta, these comprise the Greater Jakarta Metropolitan Area. The locals refer to this area as the “*Jabodetabek*”, an acronym constructed from the first syllable of each area’s name.

Jakarta itself consists of five administrative cities (North Jakarta, South Jakarta, West Jakarta, East Jakarta, Central Jakarta) and one regency (Thousand Islands). These are further divided into districts and subdistricts. Of particular concern for Jakarta is the development of Thousand Islands, the chain of islands located off the coast of Jakarta.

Mass transportation in Jakarta is served by the TransJakarta Bus Rapid Transit System and supplanted by several other means, among them taxis, *angkots* (modified minibuses serving fixed routes), *bajajs* (motorized, environmentally-friendly rickshaws fueled by gas), and *ojeks* (short-to medium distance motorcycle taxis). A Mass Rapid Transit system is currently undergoing construction; it is projected to be completed in 2018.

Jakarta’s public service is one of the most advanced in Indonesia. In 2015, the Jakarta Capital City Government launched the Integrated One-Stop Service Department, or *Dinas Penanaman Modal dan Pelayanan Terpadu Satu Pintu*. The Department aims to simplify the application for various permits in Jakarta, including business and building permit. At roughly the same time, the Jakarta Smart City was introduced. It enables government officials to rapidly address complaints made by the citizens, therefore increasing public service efficiency.

Jakarta aims to become an advanced and modern city. At the same time, it aspires to embrace the history and the roots of its unique culture. Founded in the fourth century as a port, the city developed through the ages, attracting people from India, Middle East, China, and Europe, as well as other areas all over Indonesia. Their interaction with the locals, namely the indigenous *Betawi* people, results in the culture which characterizes the people of Jakarta today: cosmopolitan, resourceful, and streetwise.

Schedule

Sunday, August 20, 2017	
07.30 – 15.00	Arrival of Participants
16.00 – 17.00	Free program
17.00 – 18.00	Jakarta International Youth Program 2017 Participant listing and Briefing
18.00 – 21.00	Dinner at the hotel (Accommodation TBD)
Monday, August 21, 2017	
07.00 – 08.30	Breakfast
08.30 – 09.00	Preparation to visit the City Hall
09.00 – 09.30	Transfer to City Hall
09.30 – 10.30	Opening Ceremony by the Governor of Jakarta The Governor or the Vice-Governor will conduct a short ceremony to welcome the participants, followed by a short dialogue and photo session.
10.30 – 12.00	Visiting the Jakarta Smart City Center, the digital hub of Jakarta
12.00 – 13.30	Lunch (Venue TBD)
13.30 – 14.30	Transfer to the Integrated One-Stop Service Department (IOSSD)
14.30 – 16.00	Visiting the IOSSD The participants shall learn about public services and investments in Jakarta, including featured programs like direct pick-up and delivery services
16.00 – 17.00	Return to the City Hall
18.00 – 19.30	<i>Welcome Dinner</i> at the City Hall
Tuesday, August 22, 2017	
07.00 – 08.00	Breakfast
08.00 – 08.30	Transfer to the National Monument
08.30 – 09.30	Visiting the National Monument The participants will have the opportunity to learn about the national history of Indonesia, and Indonesian independence.
09.30 – 10.30	Transfer to the Tekstil Museum
11.00 – 12.30	Visiting the Tekstil Museum The participants will learn all about the Indonesian batik cloth, focusing on the history and traditional method of making batik. They will also be welcomed to try their hands on making their own simple batik cloth.
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch (Café Batavia)
14.30 – 16.00	Old Town Exploration The participants will explore the Old Town of Jakarta. They will have the opportunity to observe historic buildings erected during the Dutch colonial era, as well as visiting the Wayang Museum and Jakarta History Museum
16.00 – 17.00	Return to hotel
17.00 – 18.00	Free program
18.00 – 19.00	Transfer to Dinner Venue
19.00 – 20.30	Dinner (Venue TBD)

Wednesday, August 23, 2017

06.00 – 07.00	Transfer to Marina Ancol, Breakfast
07.00 – 09.30	Transfer by boat to Pramuka Island
09.30 – 10.00	Meeting the Regent of the Thousand Islands
10.00 – 11.00	Exploration of Pramuka Island The participants will visit the sea turtle conservation area and participate in mangrove planting.
11.00 – 11.30	Transfer to Nusa Karamba
12.00 – 13.00	Lunch at Nusa Karamba Floating Restaurant
13.00 – 14.00	Transfer to Tidung Island
14.00 – 16.00	Exploration of Tidung Island, The participants will have the opportunity to take part in snorkeling activities. Equipments will be provided.
16.00 – 17.00	Transfer to Bidadari Island
17.00 – 18.00	Exploration of Bidadari Island The participants may explore the island, including the ruins of an old Portuguese fortress, take photos, and watch the sunset.
17.00 – 18.00	Transfer to Marina Ancol and Restaurant Venue
18.00 – 20.00	Dinner (Bandar Jakarta/Segarra)

Thursday, August 24, 2017

07.00 – 08.00	Breakfast
08.00 – 09.30	Transfer to Setu Babakan Betawi Culture Central
09.30 – 10.00	Overview of Setu Babakan
10.00 – 12.00	Exploring and participating in local Betawi people activities in Setu Babakan (Among the planned activities are culinary demonstration of making <i>kerak telur</i> and <i>bir pletok</i> (traditional omelette and ginger drink); <i>palang pintu</i> and <i>gambang kromong</i> (traditional welcoming ceremony and music).
12.00 – 13.30	Lunch(Venue TBD)
13.30 – 14.00	Using theTransjakarta public bus to transfer to the underground construction site of the MRT tunnels
14.00 – 15.00	Visiting the underground MRT tunnels
15.00 – 16.00	Return to hotel
16.00 – 19.00	Free program, Preparation for the discussions The Participants may use this time to revise their essays/presentation and/or prepare for their cultural presentation on Friday
19.00 – 20.30	Dinner (at the hotel)

Friday, August 25, 2017

07.00 – 08.00	Breakfast
08.00 – 09.30	Preparation for workshops and presentations
09.30 – 10.00	Transfer to Grand Indonesia Square
10.00 – 12.00	Visiting the Grand Indonesia Square (Alun-alun Grand Indonesia)
12.00 – 13.30	Lunch, (Venue TBD) Friday Prayer

14.00 – 15.00	Transfer to hotel
15.00 – 18.00	<p>Presentations by the participants and discussion with the Jakarta Capital City Government Officials</p> <p>Participants are expected to present the conclusion of their experiences (5 to 7 minutes, deriving from the initial essays and their observation during the field visits. They will engage in a dialogue with the Jakarta Capital City Government officials. The essay, discussions, and conclusions shall be documented as references.</p>
18.00 – 19.00	Free Program
19.00 – 20.30	<p>Farewell Dinner/Closing Ceremony.</p> <p>The participants will have an opportunity to perform cultural presentation, and are encouraged to attend in their national costume</p>
20.30 – 21.00	Transfer to Monas
21.00 – 22.00	Viewing Monas at Night

Saturday, August 26, 2017

07.00 – 09.00	Breakfast
09.00 – 10.00	Preparation for check out
10.00 – 12.00	Check out, transfer to airport

PARTICIPANT FORM



FULL NAME	:
FIRST NAME	:
LAST NAME	:
UNIVERSITY	:
YEAR OF ENROLLMENT	:
ADDRESS	:
PASSPORT NUMBER	:

PLEASE ELABORATE ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS. YOU MAY USE A SEPARATE PAGE OR PAPER.

INTERESTS	:
ORGANIZATIONS	:
E-MAIL	:
SOCIAL MEDIA USED	:

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM WITH AN ATTACHED COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT AND YOUR ESSAY.