



Asian African Conference
Commemoration
Indonesia 2015

ASIA AFRICA PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE TO COMMEMORATE THE 60TH ASIAN AFRICAN CONFERENCE

**Strengthening the role of parliament
in the South-South Cooperation
to promote World Peace and Prosperity**



BACKGROUND

In 1955, representatives from nations across two continents met at the first ever Asia-Africa conference held in Bandung, Indonesia. The first summit was a statement of principle-world regions that, under the constraints of colonial powers, they could assert themselves on the global stage outside the sphere of established world power. 50 years later, the Bandung Spirit is considered to be perpetually relevant as the foundation of Asian and African relationship as well as the world. This spirit was then being renewed through the Golden Jubilee commemoration of Asian African Conference in 2005 creating a path for a future direction of Asian African cooperation through New Asian African Strategic Partnership (NAASP).

This year the commemoration of the 60th Anniversary of the Asian African Conference and 10th Anniversary of the NAASP will be held in Indonesia. In same spirit, the Indonesian House of Representatives is taking the initiative to convene a parliamentary conference as part of parliamentary diplomacy to build comprehensive engagement between both continents. The conference aims to deliver the parliamentary perspectives on efforts to develop South-South Cooperation, creating a world of peace and prosperity. This conference would also provide a venue to discuss forward the looking solutions to the common emerging challenges faced by Asia and Africa.

OBJECTIVES

- To provide a forum for Asian and African Parliamentarians to produce and sustain perspectives and solutions to address the Asian and African present and future challenges.
- To consolidate and strengthen parliamentary roles in forging South-South cooperation within the context of NAASP.
- To deliver parliamentary perspectives of Asian-African countries on the Post-2015 Development Agenda and its inter-governmental negotiation.





ASPECTS

- **Peace and prosperity;**

Asian and African Parliaments need to contribute in the formulation of Post-2015 Development Agenda. Parliamentarians has the opportunity to explore ways of promoting a continent-wide cooperation on mapping the commonalities of development priorities in Post-2015 Development Agenda. Attaching great importance on Post-2015 Development Agenda, parliaments of both continents can provide necessary means to support the existing platforms of Asia-Africa cooperation, for the people benefit from the global development agenda.

- **Asian African Cooperation: the way forward;**

The Golden Jubilee of 2005 launched the NAASP through various summits. After a decade, geopolitical landscape of both continents have changed. Parliaments can link existing efforts to NAASP and how parliaments can contribute to the future of Asian African cooperation.

- **Recognition to Palestine.**

Translating the stance against colonialism or neo-colonialism into reality by providing a solid recognition and solidarity for Palestine as they are part of the Afro-Asian family. It will reach beyond political stances by discussing how parliament of both continents provides supports for Palestine.



DECLARATION

At the end of the conference, the conference will adopt a declaration.



DATE & VENUE

The Conference will take place on
Thursday, 23 April 2015
at the parliament Building in Senayan,
Jakarta, the capital city of Indonesia.

Participants of the AAPC shall be
members of parliaments
of Asian and African countries.
We expect the delegates to confirm the
participation by 10 April 2015.

PARTICIPANTS

LANGUAGE

The working language and documents
of the conference is English.
French simultaneous interpretation is available.
Additional booths will be made available
to interpreters accompanying delegations
which need interpretation in their own languages.
Allocation will be on a first come first served basis.

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