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Delivering Together: Commencing the Implementation Phase in 2026

Setting the Direction for 2026: The First Partnership Management Committee Meeting

Happy new year to all our partners and stakeholders!

Ahead of the close of 2025, AIPJ3 convened our first Partnership Management Committee (PMC) meeting on 26 November 2025. The meeting brought together representatives of Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) Australian Embassy team, the National Development Planning Agency (Bappenas), AIPJ3 program team and DT Global.

The meeting commenced with an office-warming *tumpengan* at AIPJ3 office, symbolising the partnership's readiness to move ahead into 2026. Discussions focused on AIPJ3's strategic direction, updates on the Engagement Strategies, and the progress in the development of the *Pedoman Tata Kelola* or Governance Manual.



Representatives of DFAT, Bappenas, DT Global and AIPJ3 team members at AIPJ3's office's warming

With the Inception Phase almost complete, the AIPJ3 team is now progressing preparations for the Three-Year Annual Work Plan 2026-2028. The Partnership Board Meeting is scheduled to take place in March 2026 to approve the work plan, endorse the Governance Manual, and formally commence the start of the Implementation Phase.

From Protection to Recognition: Advancing Inclusive Justice

The Supreme Court of Republic of Indonesia convened an Access to Justice Working Group planning meeting on 22-23 December 2025, bringing together representatives from across its units, organizations of persons with disabilities, and research partners.

This meeting marked a significant collective effort and clear shift in perspective - from paternalistic protection towards recognition of the legal capacity of people with disabilities. During the inception phase, AIPJ3 supported a series of public dialogues that culminated in the issuance of Supreme Court Regulation No. 2/2025 on *Guideline for Handling Cases of People with Disabilities in Conflict with the Law* on 20 October 2025.

In his opening remarks, Vice Chief Justice Suharto, who also serves as the Head of the Working Group, emphasised that the working group's mandate is to ensure equal access to justice for all citizens. Court representatives shared priority actions to eliminate barriers faced by people with disabilities when accessing justice. The meeting also featured a presentation by the University of Indonesia Forensic Psychiatry Division on the spectrum of psychosocial disabilities and practical assessment approaches in collaboration with law enforcement agencies.

Echoing this emphasis on collaboration, the Director General of the General Courts (*Badilum*), Bambang Myanto, highlighted that "It is important to strengthen coordination across units within the Supreme Court and with external stakeholders, including organizations of persons with disabilities, particularly when conducting monitoring and evaluation processes."



Access to Justice Working Group participants from the Supreme Court, civil society, and the AIPJ3 team, with resource persons from the University of Indonesia's Forensic Psychiatry Division (courtesy of the Supreme Court)

Furthermore, Sentra Advokasi Perempuan, Difabel, dan Anak (SAPDA), highlighted that following its assistance to 152 courts across Indonesia, strengthening the court's perspective on disabilities remains a key priority. SAPDA recommended integrating disability-inclusive case handling into court training curricula and inviting people with disabilities as resource persons. With respect to the rights for people with psychosocial disabilities, Sasana Inklusi dan Gerakan Advokasi Difabel (SIGAB) and Pusat Studi HAM Universitas Islam Indonesia (Pusham UII), advocated for supported decision-making to be prioritised as an official legal approach than guardianship.

The meeting concluded with agreement on eight follow-up priorities. These include including developing technical guidelines to clarify key provisions of Supreme Court Regulation No. 2/2025 –such as early identification, personalised assessment, mental health examinations, and guardianship– as well as producing practical FAQs for judges and court officials. Other priorities include standardising accessible court infrastructure, strengthening judicial capacity, indexing and reviewing court decisions involving persons with disabilities, and improving disaggregated data to support evidence-based policy making.



Access to Justice Working Group
Planning Meeting

Adipangastuti Youth Ambassadors: Spreading Peaceful Values and Tolerant Actions



Students from participating Adipangastuti schools showcasing an arts performance during the training

On 9 December 2025, the Mayor of Surakarta, Respati Ardi, officially opened a two-day Adipangastuti Youth Ambassador Training in Solo. The training was attended by 58 students from senior high schools implementing Adipangastuti School across Central Java, alongside representatives from 11 branches of the Central Java Provincial Education Office.

The training programme equipped students with key competencies, including resilient and impactful leadership, responsible digital creativity, and the promotion of gender equality among peers and within leadership contexts.

In his remarks, Mayor Ardi emphasised the critical role of Adipangastuti Youth Ambassadors as agents of change within their schools – helping to prevent violence, promote diversity, and foster empathetic character development.



A student participating in a walking tour to a Chinese temple during the discussion session

The Adipangastuti School is a model for tolerant schools grounded in the Javanese cultural values of *hasthalaku*. Initiated in 2018 by Solo Bersimfoni and the Central Java Provincial Government, with support from AIPJ2, *hasthalaku* reflects eight core values: helpfulness (*gotong royong*); friendliness (*grapyak semanak*); harmony (*guyub rukun*); humility (*lembah manah*); mutual respect (*ewuh pekewuh*); compassion (*pangerten*); virtuous conduct (*andhap asor*); and solidarity (*tepa selira*). Now in its seventh year, and as part of AIPJ3 bridging activities, the Adipangastuti approaches have been implemented in 67 senior high schools across 33 cities and regencies in Central Java.

Meanwhile, the Expert Staff for Prevention Violent Extremism at the National Counterterrorism Agency (BNPT), Muhammad Suaib Tahir, highlighted the importance of young people maintaining harmony in both physical and digital space. “Young people can serve as role models through simple yet consistent daily actions – such as refraining from hate speech, rejecting bullying, respecting differences, and managing conflict through dialogue,” [Tahir noted at the event](#).

Through Adipangastuti School, Solo Bersimfoni remains committed to supporting the implementation of the National Action Plan for Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism that Leads to Terrorism (RAN PE), particularly by strengthening values in tolerance, critical thinking, and peace education within the local education sector.

Following the training sessions, participants joined a walking tour to Surakarta’s diverse houses of worship—including the Grand Mosque, churches, a Chinese temple, and other historical sites — allowing them to experience firsthand the city’s long-standing tradition of religious harmony. The event concluded with an award ceremony recognising the winners of the 2025 Adipangastuti School Poster Competition, and demonstrated the significant change in Solo since Solo Bersimfoni first worked on preventing violent extremism with AIPJ in 2017.

Apply Now for the Australia Awards Short Course on Leveraging Technology and Data for Justice and Security Sector Reform

The Australia Awards in Indonesia, in collaboration with AIPJ3, invites applications for the **Australia Awards Short Course on Leveraging Technology and Data for Justice and Security Sector Reform**, designed to strengthen data-driven and people-centered justice systems. Participants will learn practical insights into using technology and data to improve policy making, service delivery, transparency and access to justice through a range of learning methodologies.

This course is intended for mid-level managers and professionals from government institutions, law enforcement agencies, courts, civil society organisations, universities and the private sector. Women from disadvantaged backgrounds and people with disability are encouraged to apply. Participants will apply their learning through an Award Project, focused on implementing improvements within their respective institutions.

This course includes a three-day pre-course workshop in Indonesia, a two-week course in Australia and a three-day post-course workshop in Indonesia.



Apply online via this [link](#) no later than **12 February 2026, at 23.59 WIB**. For more details, please visit [this page](#).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact shortcourse@australiaawardsindonesia.org

KataHukum.id - Bringing Legal Information to Everyone

On 2 December 2025, the Indonesia Judicial Research Society (IJRS) published educational content on non-consensual intimate images as a form of sexual violence as part of the *16 Days Activism Against Gender-Based Violence* campaign on the [KataHukum.id platform](#).

KataHukum.id is a legal information portal that provides accessible, easy-to-understand explanations of legal issues. Developed with support from the Australian Government through AIPJ2 since November 2023, the platform is currently managed by IJRS and works in collaboration with six civil society partners*. This collaboration focuses on information sharing and developing joint campaigns related to women, children, people with disabilities, legal empowerment, judicial processes, and legal aid.

Featuring a Question and Answer (Q&A) format as one of its main features, KataHukum.id has published 272 Q&A entries and reached 2,230 users as of 16 December 2025. In addition to the Q&A content, the platform also provides a translation of the [Dutch Criminal Procedural Code](#), which serves as an important reference for students, researchers and practitioners to support comparative legal reform analysis. Noting that, the Indonesian Criminal Procedure Code (KUHP) 1981, which was a revision of the *Het Herziene Indonesisch Reglement* inherited from the Dutch, makes the Indonesian criminal justice system heavily influenced by Dutch law.

"The legal sector is often perceived as a field with complex technical terms and convoluted concepts. Our grand vision is for KataHukum.id to become a comprehensive, up-to-date, and easily accessible legal information portal and a reliable public education platform for people from all walks of life," said M. Rizaldi, IJRS Acting Executive Director.

IJRS is currently engaging with the National Law Development Agency (BPHN) to explore integration between the KataHukum.id portal and BPHN's legal information portal, to strengthen and expand public access to legal information nationwide.

*Civil society partners include Lembaga Bantuan Hukum Masyarakat (LBHM), Asosiasi LBH Apik Indonesia, Yayasan PEKKA (Pemberdayaan Perempuan Kepala Keluarga), SAPDA (Sentra Advokasi Perempuan, Difabel dan Anak), Institute of Community Justice (ICJ) Makassar, and Rumah KitaB (Rumah Kita Bersama).



Screenshots of [katahukum.id Instagram content on non-consensual intimate images violence](#) posted on 2 December 2025

Realising a More Humane, Effective and Fair Drug Law: Key Recommendations from BNN's Public Seminar



Opening of the Public Seminar with BNN Key Stakeholders

On 9 December 2025, the National Narcotics Agency (*Badan Narkotika Nasional* - BNN) hosted a public seminar to discuss the proposed amendments to Indonesia's Narcotics Law, aimed at promoting a more humane, effective, and equitable regulatory framework.

Key issues driving the proposed amendments include the need for clearer definition and differentiation among drug users, couriers and illegal traffickers; greater recognition of vulnerable groups implicated in narcotics-related offences; and clearer distinction between possession, intent to distribute, manufacturing, and trafficking, to ensure legal certainty and fair treatment under the law. This activity is part of a partnership with AIPJ3 because imprisonment of drug users is a major cause of prison overcrowding and alternative approaches are urgently needed.

The seminar convened a wide range of stakeholders from law enforcement, public health, and social affairs sectors, including representatives from universities, civil society organizations and legal practitioners. Participating ministries and agencies shared issues and recommendations related to better governance and management in implementing law enforcement, addressing illicit trafficking, prison overcrowding and rehabilitation.

One of the issues discussed in the seminar was presented by Community Legal Aid (LBH Masyarakat) on case studies highlighting the experiences of women and persons with disabilities charged with drug offences. The presentation underscored how gender-based violence, unequal power relations, social stigma, and socio-economic pressures contribute to vulnerability and

involvement in drug-related cases, reinforcing the need for gender-sensitive and inclusive drug policy approaches.

Participants also emphasised the importance of strengthening coordination among law enforcement agencies, including enhancing the role of the Integrated Assessment Team (*Tim Asesmen Terpadu*) in identifying and assessing narcotics and substances abuse cases, as well as categorising new psychoactive substances. In addition, discussions highlighted the need for adequate resource allocation for public health and harm reduction interventions, including ongoing rehabilitation services and community-based support systems.

"BNN is open to suggestions and changes to the Narcotics Law, provided they are grounded in scientific research and field experience. Policy reforms must ensure legal certainty, protection, and optimal benefits so that drug-related case management is equitable for all Indonesians," said Agus Irianto, [BNN Deputy for Legal Affairs and Cooperation at the seminar](#).

Further insights and responses were provided by representatives from the Institute for Criminal Justice Reform (ICJR), the Indonesian Center for Drug Research (ICDR), and Indonesian Bar Associations Indonesia Advocates' Voice (PERADI SAI). The Asia Foundation has supported the Government of Indonesia during AIPJ2 through research, policy discussions, and conferences on narcotics policy reform. As part of AIPJ3's bridging activities, this support continues by facilitating the participation of civil society and academics in the ongoing revision of the Narcotics Law.

MEET OUR TEAM – new members until 19 January 2026



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