

**RAFENDI DJAMIN – REPRESENTATIVE OF INDONESIA TO THE ASEAN
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS**

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Summary of Experiences:

Mr. Rafendi Djamin is a specialist in human rights and democracy in Indonesia. From 1992 until 2003, his work has also covered lobby and advocacy work on humanitarian problems in Indonesia. After working with a developmental NGO In Indonesia for 2 years (since 1983-84), and a short-term contract with UNDP project on Urban Development Program in Jakarta, he went to the Netherlands to take his master's degree in development studies while continuing his involvement in the human rights movement for Indonesia. After finishing his degree, he worked as social worker and established an Indonesian human rights lobby organisation (Indonesia's Forum for Human Dignity) with a wide network in Indonesian archipelago and some cities within Europe (Germany, France, United Kingdom, and Belgium). The lobby activities are targeted to the capitals of some important member-states of EU, EU itself and its Parliament. The lobby and advocacy work are conducted by organising Speaking tour of Indonesian NGO representative in the Netherlands and Europe, consultations with European politician and governments, and organising various symposium and public debate in the Netherlands as well as in Indonesia. The main target of the lobby works in promoting and protecting human rights and humanitarian issues are directed to the UN Human Rights Council and other UN human rights mechanisms.

Since July 2003 till now, Mr. Rafendi Djamin serves as the coordinator of a national NGO coalition for International Advocacy (with more than 40 member organisations across archipelago) based in Jakarta. The core activities of this coalition are ensuring effectiveness of International human rights advocacy and strengthening the capacity of Indonesian human rights NGO; directly involving in national media advocacy on various current human rights issues, building bridge of dialog and engagement between Indonesian CSO and Governments with relevant stake holders in the government sectors (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Law and Human Rights, Attorney General Office, Police Forces, Armed Forces); and building network in the diplomatic community in Jakarta on dissemination of current human rights issues.

Since 2006, his scope of work and activities has been expanded to regional level in ASEAN and Asia-Pacific.

Employment:

February 1992 – 2003: INFOHD the Netherlands, as Chairperson and Consultant on Human Rights in Indonesia. INFOHD is an Amsterdam based forum for human rights on Indonesia which was established to strengthen and facilitate Indonesian Human Rights and humanitarian NGO's by providing skill and knowledge on international advocacy. Project have been undertaken predominantly in the field of transferring knowledge and experience on UN human rights mechanisms through workshops and training in Indonesia, and directly organising Lobby and advocacy of NGO delegation to the annual session of UN Commission on Human Rights in Geneva. The implemented projects have involved prominent Indonesian National as well as local Human Rights and humanitarian NGOs. Those are PBHI, YLBHI, ELSAM, LBH-APIK, Flower Aceh, Aceh's Human Rights NGO Coalition, Baileo Network Malucca, EISHAM- West Papua, and KKP-IRJA West Papua.

June 1992- March 2001: Amsterdam Municipality, as Social Security Consultant,

April 2001 – August 2003: Amsterdam Municipality, as Senior Social Security Consultant

September 2001- 2003: Project coordinator for Campaign against Impunity in Indonesia, a 3 years campaign program of Indonesia House Amsterdam (a coalition of 3 Indonesian NGO based in Amsterdam).

August 2003 – present: Coordinator of the Coalition of Indonesian NGO for International Human Rights Advocacy, a coalition of more than 20 multi-sectoral NGO's with its main mandate to coordinate and implement international human rights advocacy on Indonesia both within UN human rights mechanisms and other inter governmental Organisations (IGO's)

Since August 2007 - present: Acting as Convener of SAPA Task-Force on ASEAN and Human Rights, a coalition of CS groups from ASEAN member countries

Other relevant engagement:

June 2006: independent evaluator of Indonesian National Commission on Violence Against Women (KOMNAS PEREMPUAN), Jakarta.

Educational Qualifications:

Master's degree in Development Studies, Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, The Netherlands

BA degree in Sociology from Faculty of Political and Social Sciences, University of Indonesia, Jakarta-Indonesia

Advance Human Rights Training Courses in the Philippines and Geneva.
