

Australia Awards Short Course Governing in the Digital Age – the Use of Data for Better Policies and Public Services



The participants of Governing in the Digital Age – a course exploring information management and data principles while establishing linkages with Australian institutions.

The course aimed to strengthen the capacity of government (both national and local government) in producing, analysing and using data to inform policy decisions. The course provided examples, strategies and tools that have been used by international, Indonesian and Australian agencies on the use of data, including big data for policy making and implementation.

The course enabled twenty-four Indonesian participants to share their experiences with Australian practitioners and consider the insights and perspectives of professionals from both the Australian private and public sectors while establishing linkages with Australian institutions and experts.

Leading the course was Professor Dian Tjondronegoro along with Course Co-Leader Dr Tom Verhelst and Course Designer and Co-Leader Professor Alan Liew.

Course Highlights

- Pre-Course workshop from 31 January – 2 February 2023
- In-Australia program 20 February – 3 March 2023
- Post-Course workshop from 6 – 8 June 2023





Participants attending a presentation at ARM Hub advanced manufacturing & robotics facility in Brisbane.

Site Visits

During the In-Australia program, participants had the opportunity to visit a variety of organisations. Site visits included:

- ARM Hub advanced manufacturing & robotics facility
- National Archives of Australia
- CSIRO in Canberra
- Australian Parliament House

Participant Projects

Course participants were required to prepare Award Projects based on their individual learning objectives. These projects were reviewed and discussed with their group mentor throughout the course.

Projects included:

- Governance in Data and Information to Improve Quality of Planning for Bilateral Funding.
- Improvement of Policy Evaluation/Assessment Methodology Using Data for Better Policies in Research and Innovation.
- Understanding Recent Migration Patterns in Bangka Belitung – Using Mobile Phone Data Towards Better Policy Making.



Participants attending the opening ceremony at Griffith University.

Pre-Course Workshop

The pre-course workshop was held in Bintaro, Tangerang between 31 January - 2 February 2023. The pre-course was facilitated by the course leaders and mentors and was designed to introduce the program objectives and expectations to the participants as well as provide them with an overview of the main topics.

Post-Course Workshop

The post-course workshop was held in Sentul, Bogor, Indonesia between 6 - 8 June 2023. During the post-course participants summarised their learning from the course and presented their implemented Award Projects, providing an opportunity for peer feedback and collaboration.

“The visit to the National Archives Australia was highly inspiring and eye-opening about the importance of digital technology in government recordkeeping. I left the visit with a deeper understanding of best practices in digital archives management and increased confidence in implementing digital technology in my workplace.”

Roswita Djadjo

“The visit to CSIRO office was the one that I found most interesting aside the part of how cool of what they do at the Agency. Further, their presentations made me realized that the age of digital is overwhelming indeed.”

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