

Course Name

Policies for the disengagement and rehabilitation of violent extremists

Background

Indonesia has committed to strengthen its efforts to combat terrorism and counter violent extremism. While Indonesia has developed effective systems for investigating and disrupting terrorist attacks, there is scope to improve policies and systems for disengaging and rehabilitating violent extremists and preventing others from becoming radicalised in the first place. Existing deradicalisation and prevention programs face challenges such as poor coordination among authorities and communities, lack of resources and limited skills and knowledge.

The 'Policies for the disengagement and rehabilitation of violent extremists' Short Term Award follows on from the 2018 course and it focuses on supporting policy development and implementation for the disengagement and rehabilitation of violent extremists. The objective is to provide technical knowledge on disengagement for those who draft, analyse and implement policies and programs to effectively disengage and rehabilitate violent extremists and prevent radicalisation. To better facilitate the knowledge exchange, the course is designed for up to 25 leaders from relevant government agencies, rehabilitation centres and civil society organisations involved in disengagement in Australia and Indonesia.

Learning objectives

On completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- Understand approaches to disengagement and rehabilitation for radicalised groups including returnees and deportees and terrorist prisoners (with reference to best practice of government policies and practical examples).
- Understand approaches for preventing at-risk groups turning to violent extremism, including best practice and lessons learned from disengagement and rehabilitation programs
- Understand the roles of local, state and federal governments in disengagement and rehabilitation
- Understand how the government can work with communities and the civil society to develop and implement disengagement and rehabilitation programs
- Understand the foundations of violent extremism
- Understand and identify the intersection of security and psycho-social perspectives in developing, communicating, and advocating policies for disengagement and rehabilitation
- Benchmark regional and international programs and policies for prevention, disengagement and rehabilitation

To achieve these outcomes, the proposed short course offers a structured learning process for participants that will utilise a range of learning methodologies, such as classroom sessions; case studies; site visits to relevant Australian government agencies such as Attorney General, correctional institutions, state police/AFP and relevant CSOs (Australian Muslim Organisations), Islamic Council, city councils, etc.; discussion and planning sessions; simulations and role plays; networking events; an in-depth course project. Participants are required to develop an Award Project as a method to implement learning.



Dates and location

The award will be delivered over a 2-week period in Australia. The program is divided into three parts: pre-course workshop in Indonesia, in-Australia program and a post-course workshop. Attendance in the whole three parts of the course is **compulsory**. The course is scheduled as below:

- The Pre-course Workshop in Indonesia: 29-31 October 2019
- The short course in Australia: 25 November 6 December 2019(departure on 22 November 2019, return to Indonesia on 8 December 2019)
- The Post-course Workshop in Indonesia: 24-26 March 2020

Participants

Australia Awards in Indonesia will invite nominations from the following organizations:

- i) Ministry of Law and Human Rights (DC Corrections) Kemenkumham
- ii) The National Counter-terrorism Agency (BNPT)
- iii) Ministry of Social Affairs (Directorate of Rehabilitation) Kemensos
- iv) Special Detachment 88 of National Police Force (Densus 88)
- v) Coordinating Ministry for Political, Legal, and Security Affairs Kemenko Polhukam
- vi) Ministry of Women Empowerment and Child Protection Kementerian Pemberdayaan Perempuan dan Perlindungan Anak (KPPPA)
- vii) Ministry of Religious Affairs (DG of Islamic Community Guidance) Kemenag
- viii) Presidential Secretariat Office (Kantor Sekretariat Presiden/KSP)
- ix) Civil society organisations (CSOs) including NGOs that are working on countering violent extremism and universities.

Course participant profile:

- Experience with disengagement, de-radicalisation or counter-terrorism policies or programs;
- Endorsed by current supervisor/employer;
- Committed to prepare and implement an Award project as part of the course;
- Committed to engage actively and foster networks with multiple stakeholders including in Australia and in Indonesia;
- Committed to facilitate the transfer of learning from the course with colleagues and peers;
- *Participants for this course is only for civilian members of the above targeted organisations.* Densus 88 POLRI is eligible to apply.
- Applicants are expected to have professional working proficiency in English. The applicants' English language competency is part of the selection process. The assessment of language competency is based on phone interview and any additional evidence provided by the applicant.

Women and people with disability are strongly encouraged to apply.

Participants will be identified through a competitive process whereby applicants fill in an online application form. Participants will be required to complete the form by providing explanation about themselves, their education background, work experience in relevant field, their role relevancy, career objectives, Award Project topic and implementation plan as part of the application. The application will be reviewed by Australia Awards in Indonesia and the Australian Embassy to explore motivation and other demonstrated competencies. The shortlisted applicants will then be contacted to be interviewed by panel to ensure commitment and interest in the study program.



Applicants shall submit their application <u>here</u> by **15 September 2019 at the latest, 23.59 WIB**. The selection panel will convene to select 25 participants. The short-listed participants will be informed of the outcome by 11 October 2019.