

# ***Green Initiative Week in Indonesia***

## **Joint Program on Green City and Architecture with Indonesia**

### **[ORGANIZATION]**

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Indonesia: University of Indonesia, Center for Japanese Studies  
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### **[CO-ORGANIZATION]**

Japan : Japan Institute of Architects [JIA]

### **[BACKGROUND]**

South East Asia, one of the most rapidly growing zones in the world, faces various types of environmental crisis due to its high development pressure. This zone has been traditionally very rich and active for providing forest resource, but some countries, such as Indonesia, have been menaced by high ratio of deforestation. The traditional way of timber rotation has been disturbed by hypertrophy of urban settlements and heavy use of non-recyclable materials. The systematic and strategic use of wood, say “woodification”, is a new key word for the recovery of this material, not only by conventional way but also by the application of engineering wood. ARCHI-DEPOT Corporation has been pushing forward the program of woodification in cooperation with several partners both in Japan and abroad and realized a series of pilot projects and seminars.

The “*Green Initiative Week* in South East Asian Countries” is a campaign for encouraging the creation of green environment and the use of wood in the countries which have been endowed with forest resource. This campaign was initiated on the occasion of its first anniversary after the opening of ARCHI-DEPOT Museum as the first architectural museum specializing architectural models in June 2016 in Tokyo. As the first program of this campaign ARCHI-DEPOT Corporation will unfold a series of activities in Indonesia in 2017. This country, however, is suffering from various types of environmental problems caused by global warming and deforestation as well as by the rapid explosion of megacities. Urban management and construction sector is one of the most sensitive fields among those who are affected by such phenomena. To identify the problems and to search for solution in an appropriate way, a bi-lateral forum will be formulated by both initiatives of Japanese and Indonesians, focusing on the subject of green city and architecture a series of lectures, a round table and a workshop are to be carried out, besides basic research on this subject, on the basis of mutual exchange of experts and ideas.

## [PURPOSE]

- (1) To enhance the joint program between Japan and Indonesia in the field of architecture and city planning as well as cultural studies of both countries
- (2) To organize a joint forum, which focuses on the environmental issues such as the impact of deforestation and the pursuit for social sustainability
- (3) To develop and to share the innovative approach related to wood material and construction as well as its design issues
- (4) To provide opportunities to the young professionals and students to have direct communication with their counterpart in both countries

## [PROGRAM]

- (1) Wood Design Competition  
Targeting young professionals, a design competition on the innovative use of wood is to be organized prior to the *Green Initiative Week*.
- (2) Round Table on the innovative approach for wood materials and construction  
To enhance the communication and to identify the problem, a round table is to be organized by gathering the professional and business sectors from both countries.
- (3) Academic Conference on Green City and Architecture  
To clarify the problems in relation with the idea of green city and architecture as well as its cultural background, academic conferences are to be organized, bridging academic institutions in South East Asia and Japan.
- (4) Student Workshop  
To encourage the future generation and to deepen the mutual understanding in the field of architecture and urban management, a workshop will take place parallel to the academic conferences.
- (5) Exhibitions on Wood and Architecture  
To promote the actuality of innovative wood architecture, an exhibition on this theme will be held in the same place as the round table and conferences.

## [TERM OF PROGRAM]

Initiating in Indonesia, this program of the *Green Initiative Week* will continue for 3 years from the autumn 2017, renewing its content each year.

## [SECRETARIAT]

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