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A Collaborative Effort to Accelerate Inclusive and Fair Digital Transformation



SMERU held the first Policy Forum on Poverty and Inequality on November 29, 2022, themed "Accelerating Inclusive and Fair Digital Transformation to Anticipate Challenges Facing the Future of Work". Digital transformation presents means and opportunities for Indonesia to accelerate post-pandemic recovery from COVID-19. Speakers at this event included Indonesia Competition Commission, Social Security Agency for Employment, Head of Communication and Informatics Agency of Bangka Belitung Province, and GEDSI researchers and practitioners. In addition to discussing gaps in policy and strategy, the forum also generated recommendations to support digital transformation in Indonesia. Click the image to watch the recording of the event.

Latest Research



Background Study on Youth Development for the 2025–2029 RPJMN and 2025–2045 RPJPN

SMERU takes part in two background studies on youth development, which will become the reference for the Government of Indonesia in drafting the 2025–2029 RPJMN and the 2025–2045 RPJPN. Both studies will also form the basis for an advocacy approach to improve the direction of youth issues in Indonesia's 2025–2045 development. Click the image to read more.







Evaluation of the Implementation of the National Economic Recovery Program under the Ministry of Labor

SMERU is evaluating the implementation of the National Economic Recovery program under the Ministry of Labor. The evaluation results will provide recommendations on protection programs for workers, especially during economic shocks, such as the COVID-19 pandemic. Click the image to read more. SMERU welcomed a visit from representatives of the Center for Development Economics and Sustainability (CDES) and Monash University Indonesia in December 2022. The three institutions discussed research collaboration opportunities for next year. Click the image to know more.

SMERU Events

Forum Kajian Pembangunan October 2022





SMERU hosted the Forum Kajian Pembangunan (FKP) in October 2022. The theme for this month's series of seminars was drawn from SMERU's research on more inclusive digital transformation. Seminar sessions 1 and 2 were held online and in person in collaboration with Tokopedia, while sessions 3 and 4 were held online. Click below to download the presentation documents and watch recordings of each session.

Session 1: Increasing Women's Participation in the Digital Economy Session 2: Developing Digital Skills in Indonesia Session 3: Developing Digital Technology-Based Youth Entrepreneurship Session 4: Creating New Unicorns: Digital Talents and a Supporting Ecosystem

Future of Work: Raising the Global South's Voice



What is the future of work in the Global South after the end of the G20 Presidency? SMERU, in collaboration with CIPPEC (Argentina) and GIZ (Germany), held an expert meeting to further discuss issues of the labor market, inequality, and technological changes related to the role of the T20.Click the image to watch the recording of the event.

Partnership and Collaboration for Inclusive and Sustainable Science, Technology, and Innovation



The Indonesian STI Policy Lecture Series II – 2022 was themed "Inclusive and Sustainable Science, Technology, and Innovation" and had six discussion series. SMERU hosted the sixth series, which focused on the concept of partnership and collaboration in science, technology, and innovation, as well as partnership and collaboration practices in science and technology development and inclusive innovation in Indonesia. Click the image to watch the recording of the event.

Latest Publications

Study of the Impact of the National Health Insurance Premium Assistance on the Poor and Underprivileged



SMERU studied the impact of participation in the National Health Insurance on the utilization of health services and special financial protection for the poor and underprivileged. Click the image to access the study results.

City-Level Tech Startup Ecosystems and Talent Development in Indonesia



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Ecosystem support for tech startups in Indonesia is still concentrated in several cities. This policy brief highlights the importance of building a supportive ecosystem for tech startups at the local level. Click the image to read the recommendations.

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