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Current Position:

Researcher at Episteme Research and Consulting, a Jakarta-based research institute, March 2023 – present.

Program Consultant, Harvard Kennedy School Indonesia Public Policy Program, 2010-present.

Education:

M.A. in Southeast Asian History, Department of History, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 1996.

B.A. in Sociology, Department of Social and Political Sciences, University of Indonesia, Jakarta, 1986.

Professional Experience:

Non-resident Research fellow, Rajawali Foundation Institute for Asia, Harvard Kennedy School, July 2024 - June 2025

Democracy Visiting Fellow, Ash Center, Harvard Kennedy School, conducting research on Indonesia's Backsliding Democracy, January – December 2022.

Program Consultant, Harvard Kennedy School Myanmar Program, January 2015 – March 2019.

Researcher, Harvard Kennedy School in cooperation with the Rajawali Foundation's Strategic Assessment of Indonesia's Prospects for Growth, Equity and Democratic Governance, June – October 2009.

Program Consultant, Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy (NIMD), March 2003 – December 2009.

Visiting Research Fellow, University of the Philippines' Center for Integrative and Development Studies, conducting research on the Changing Identity of Filipino-Chinese, June 2001 – May 2002.

Researcher on "Malay versus Madurese Ethnic Violence in Pontianak," December 2000 – March 2001, commissioned by Elsam (the Institute for Policy Research and Advocacy).

Member of Polling Consortium, a polling institute founded by individuals and NGOs in cooperation with MPR and DPR Secretariat, Civil Society Support and Strengthening Program (CSSP), and International Foundation for Election Systems (IFES), June 2000.

Project Coordinator of Research on “New Political Leadership: Indonesian Politics at Local Level after the 1999 Election”, Institute for Policy and Community Development Studies and USAID, September 1999 - September 2000.

Researcher on “Chinese Indonesians and the 1999 Election” commissioned by the International IDEA (Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance), Stockholm-based international institute, April – December 1999.

Researcher on “Indonesian Democratic Actors and their Constituents”, Institute for the Studies on Free Flow of Information and SAREC (the Department for Research Cooperation under the Swedish Development Aid Authority), January 1998 – July 1999.

Researcher on “Rengasdengklok Riot”, Institute for the Studies on Free Flow of Information, January – March 1997.

Researcher on “The Influence of Modernization Theories in Indonesian Social Sciences and Political Thinking”, sponsored by the SPES Foundation and the Friedrich Naumann Foundation, January 1990 - June 1991.

Guest Editor *Prisma*, a Jakarta-based Social and Economic Journal, 1990.

Research Staff at SPES-LP3ES (Society for Political and Economic Studies - Lembaga Penelitian, Pendidikan, dan Penerangan Ekonomi dan Sosial), a Jakarta-based non-governmental organization, August 1987 - December 1989.

Publication:

Numerous journalistic articles and research papers in *Jakarta-Jakarta*, *The Jakarta Post*, *Jawa Pos*, *Kompas*, *Matra*, *Prisma*, *Tempo*, 1989 - 2022.

Co-editor in Sjahrir, et al., *Menuju Masyarakat Adil Makmur: 70 Tahun Prof. Sarbini Sumawinata*, Jakarta: Gramedia, 1989.

Andreas Harsono, Prasetyohadi, and Benny Subianto, *Huru-hara Rengasdengklok* Jakarta: ISAI, 1997.

Contributor in Hadijaya (Ed.), *Kelas Menengah Bukan Ratu Adil*, Yogyakarta: Tiara Wacana, 1999.

Contributor in Arief Budiman and Olle Tornquist, *Aktor-aktor Demokrasi*, Jakarta: ISAI, 2001.

“From Marginal Traders to Capitalists: Chinese-Filipino Join the Mainstream”, in Ricardo G. Abad (ed.), *The Asian Face Globalisation: Reconstructing Identities, Institutions and Resources*, Tokyo: Partner Institution of the Asian Public Intellectuals Program 2001/2002, 2004, pp. 160-169.

“The Chinese Problem”, in John H. McGlynn, et al. (Eds.), *Indonesia in the Soeharto Years: Issues, Incidents and Images*, Jakarta: Lontar Foundation, 2005, pp. 343-345.

“The Politics of Chinese-Indonesians after the Fall of Soeharto’s New Order”, in A.B. Lopian, et al. (Eds.), *Sejarah dan Dialog Peradaban: Persembahan 70 Tahun Prof. Taufik Abdullah*, Jakarta: LIPI Press, 2006, pp. 581-603.

"Sang Legenda dan Cerita di Sekitarnya," in David Reeve, J.J. Rizal, and Wasmi Alhaziri (Eds.), *Onze Ong: Onghokham dalam Kenangan*, Jakarta: Komunitas Bambu and Panitia 100 hari Onghokham, 2007, pp 63-77.

"Abdurrahman Wahid: The Maverick Dissident Democrat," in John Kane, Haig Patapan, and Benjamin Wong (Eds.), *Dissident Democrats: The Challenge of Democratic Leadership in Asia*, New York: Palgrave MacMillan, 2008, pp. 165-188.

"Ethnic Politics and the Rise of the Dayak Bureaucrats in Local Elections: *Pilkada* in Six *Kabupaten* in West Kalimantan," in Maribeth Erb and Priyambudi Sulistyanto, *Deepening Democracy in Indonesia?: Direct Elections for Local Leaders (Pilkada)*, Singapore: ISEAS, 2009, pp. 327-351.

Book review of *Party Politics and Democratization in Indonesia: Golkar in the Post-Suharto Era*, by Dirk Tomsa, London and New York: Routledge Contemporary Southeast Asia Series, 2008, in *Contemporary Southeast Asia*, Vol. 31, 1, April 2009, pp. 175-177.

"Crime, Misconduct, and Dysfunction in and by Association," in David Horton Smith, Robert A. Stebbins, and Jurgen Grutz (Eds.), *Handbook of Volunteering, Civic Participation, and Nonprofit Associations*, London: Palgrave MacMillan, 2016, pp. 1331 – 1353.

Conference Presentation:

"The Prince as the Merchant: the Rise of NGO Industry in the Post-Soeharto Era," presented to UC Berkeley -- UCLA Joint Conference on Southeast Asian Studies, "Ten Years After: Reformasi and New Social Movements in Indonesia, 1998-2008," held at UC Berkeley Campus, April 25-26, 2008.

"Ethnic Politics and the Rise of Dayak Bureaucratic Elite in Local Elections: *Pilkada* in Six *Kabupaten* in West Kalimantan," presented at the Workshop on *Pilkada*, the Local District Elections, Indonesia 2005: A Multi-Disciplinary Analysis of the Process of Democratization and Localization in an Era of Globalization, Organized by Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, 17-18 May 2006.

"Chinese Indonesian and the 1999 Election," presented at the AAS (Association of Asian Studies) Annual Meeting, San Diego, 10 March 2000.

"Chinese Indonesian in a New Political Climate," presented at the Center of Southeast Asian Studies, University of California Los Angeles, 8 March 2000.

"The Middle Class and the State in Indonesia" presented at the Conference on Indonesian Democracy in the 1950s and 1990s, Monash University, Melbourne, 17-21 December 1992.

"Indonesian Metropolitan Superculture in the 1990s," presented at the Conference on Indonesian Culture: Asking the Right Questions, Flinders University, Adelaide, 29 September - 3 October 1991.

Fellowship:

Nippon Foundation's Asian Public Intellectual Fellowship, 2001 – 2002.

Andrew Mellon Fellowship, Department of History and the Graduate School of Cornell University, 1994-1995.

Benedict Anderson Fellowship for Southeast Asians, Southeast Asia Program, Cornell University, 1995 - 1996.

Language:

Bahasa Indonesia	: native fluency
English	: fluent
Dutch	: fair (reading)
Javanese	: fair