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Ministry of National Development Planning Honors Bakti Barito Foundation with 2023 Indonesia's SDG Action Award in Philanthropy

Jakarta, November 10, 2023 – The Ministry of National Development Planning presented Bakti Barito Foundation as the third place winner of the 2023 Indonesia's SDG Action Award for the Philanthropy category. As part of the SDG Annual Conference event, the Ministry of National Development Planning recognized the Bakti Pangan Lestari program by Bakti Barito Foundation for its educational approach to help smallholder farmers and their families build climate resilience and food security.

Indonesia's SDGs Action Award, which was presented by Minister Suharso Monoarfa, recognizes philanthropic organizations who have implemented sustainability principles and standards and/or supports the achievement of SDGs targets in the organization's business model.

The foundation's Bakti Pangan Lestari program coordinated immediate action and long-term initiatives over five years to help smallholder farmers and the next generation of farmers build climate resilience and food security.

To improve the immediate livelihoods of smallholder farmers, the foundation launched a series of skills-based, intensive training courses and provided assistance to strengthen food security. The goal is to teach precision farming techniques that empower farmers, support innovations for climate adaptation, and give farmers access to resources they need to strengthen their food systems.

To build long-term initiatives, the program created an integrated agricultural business curriculum – translated as *Usaha Pertanian Terpadu (UPT)* – to equip teachers and students with the knowledge and skills they need to adapt to climate change and tackle future challenges such as limited land and fresh water due to the growing population, using integrated farming (a.k.a. permaculture). This integrated agricultural business curriculum has been approved by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Research and Technology (MoECRT).

Partners involved in the Bakti Pangan Lestari program driving progress toward SDG 2 (zero hunger) include The Learning Farm, Joglo Tani, Bandung Institute of Technology School of Life Sciences and Technology, and Consortium of Businesses of the Republic of Indonesia Concerned with Vocational Education.



“The younger generation are the future of our food systems, but they don’t have equal access to education and resources they need to build resilience against climate change,” said Dian A. Purbasari, Director of Bakti Barito Foundation. “As our population continues to grow, following limited land and limited access to fresh water, we need to ensure that young people are climate-ready. With the right knowledge and support, our next generation can build regional food systems that are more sustainable, healthier, and build a prosperous future for the communities across the country.”

The winners were announced at the SDGs Annual Conference, which was attended by leaders, businesses, and philanthropies. The conference featured keynote speeches by Minister Suharso Monoarfa of the Ministry of National Development Planning, Governor Sri Sultan Hamengkubuwono X of the Special Region of Yogyakarta, and UN Resident Coordinator Valerie Julliland.

Learn more about Indonesia’s SDGs Action Awards by visiting <https://sdgs-awards.bappenas.go.id/>. Photos from the event can be found [here](#).

About Bakti Barito Foundation

Driven by the profound belief for a more sustainable, equitable Indonesia, Bakti Barito Foundation is steadfast in its mission to empower communities to lead healthier, more prosperous lives. Concentrating its efforts within its operational areas, where its parent company, Barito Pacific, and its subsidiaries operate, the foundation focuses on environmental education and waste management initiatives. Founded in 2011 by Prajogo Pangestu and his wife Harlina Tjandinegara, the foundation is led by executive director Fifi Pangestu, under the direction of the board of trustees.

Learn more about our Bakti Pangan Lestari program [here](#). Media contact: info@baktibarito.com

About SDG Annual Conference

SDG Annual Conference is an annual appreciation event hosted by the Ministry of National Development Planning to all stakeholders who consistently support the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals in Indonesia. The theme of this year’s conference is Water, Energy, Agriculture towards Sustainable Food Security.

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