



ACTIVITY UPDATE

GOI OFFICIALS LEARN TO IDENTIFY PROBLEMATIC REGULATIONS USING SENADA'S REGMAP TOOL



“RegMAP is a strategic step in the effort to enhance the competitiveness of Indonesia’s light industrial sector, which employs so much of our workforce.”

*—Bapak Djimanto
Vice Chairman, APINDO*

A key factor in national competitiveness is the nature of a country’s business regulations: how many there are, how expensive and time-consuming it is to comply with them, whether or not they are internally consistent, and the extent to which adhering to the rules hinders business operations.

Indonesia has a large number of potentially problematic national and regional regulations, making it difficult to establish priorities for analysis and reform. To assist in this process, SENADA has created an innovative tool dubbed RegMAP. RegMAP allows stakeholders to conduct a preliminary review of a large number of regulations in a relatively short period of time, leading to a “top 10” list of regulations targeted for further action. RegMAP works by applying three progressively stricter filters based on the basic principles of Regulatory Impact Assessment.

As the authorizing body for all regulation, the Government of Indonesia is the most appropriate party to utilize RegMAP. To work toward institutionalizing RegMAP in the GOI, SENADA held a workshop focused on applying the first RegMAP filter on 31 July, attended by more than 30 participants from the Directorate of Legislation Analysis at BAPPENAS (Indonesia’s national development agency); BPHN, the National Law Development Agency; the Ministry of Law and Human Rights; and the Ministry of Industry. The workshop was held at BAPPENAS and was also attended by representatives of various NGOs with an interest in reforming the Indonesian business environment, including the Indonesian Employers Association (APINDO), KPPOD, PEPI, and The Asia Foundation.

Following a presentation on RegMAP by SENADA’s RegMAP Activity Manager Efrulwan, workshop participants practiced what they had learned by applying Filter 1 to several regulations. Future workshop activities are planned to provide similar training on the second and third filters.

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