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BALI INTERNATIONAL AIRSHOW 2024 UNVEILS HIGH-PROFILE PANEL DISCUSSION ON AVIATION AND DEFENCE

Indonesian Coordinating Minister Luhut Binsar Pandjaitan and Transportation Minister Budi Karya Sumadi among those confirmed for the Bali Airshow Special Dialogue series in partnership with the Tony Blair Institute for Global Change.



Caption: *Luhut Binsar Pandjaitan, Coordinating Minister for Maritime Affairs and Investment of the Republic of Indonesia (middle) and Andy Wismarsyah, Chief Executive Officer of PT Inaro Tujuh Belas (left) collaborated to finalise details for 2024 Bali International Airshow during his visit at Ngurah Rai International Airport (23/08). (Credit: Coordinating Ministry for Maritime and Investment Affairs)*

JAKARTA, 1 SEPTEMBER 2024 – The Bali International Airshow 2024 has announced a prestigious lineup of speakers from government, aviation industry, and military sectors for its key discussion program, Bali Airshow Special Dialogue. Key speakers include **Luhut Binsar Pandjaitan**, Coordinating Minister for Maritime Affairs and Investment of the Republic of



Indonesia; **Budi Karya Sumadi**, Minister of Transportation of the Republic of Indonesia; **Marshall of the Armed Forces Mohamad Tonny Harjono**, Chief of Staff of the Indonesian Air Force; as well as President of Airbus Asia Pacific, **Anand Stanley**.

The dialogue program will take place at the Exhibition Hall, South Apron, I Gusti Ngurah Rai International Airport, from 18 to 19 September. Organised in collaboration with the Coordinating Ministry for Maritime Affairs and Investment and the Tony Blair Institute for Global Change (TBI), this dialogue will bring together key stakeholders and experts for insightful discussions.

Topics will include the challenges and opportunities in adopting sustainable aviation fuels, the path towards sustainable aviation, and strengthening Indonesia's air defence industry.

Mr Pandjaitan, Coordinating Minister for Maritime Affairs and Investment of the Republic of Indonesia said, "This airshow is a testament to Indonesia's commitment to leading the way in sustainable aviation and defence advancements. As we aim to promote Indonesia's role as a global leader in the aviation industry and sustainable aviation fuel (SAF), we are bringing together global experts to share insights and collaborate on shaping the future of these critical sectors."

The speakers will lead discussions across four dedicated forums, focusing on Indonesia's aviation potential and its evolving role in global defence. Each session will delve into various aspects of Indonesia's aviation sector, highlighting its contributions to the global aviation landscape and fostering partnerships for sustainable and innovative growth.

Further details for each session are as follows:

1. **1st session:** Special Dialogue Program (18 September 2024 - 14:00-15:15 UTC+8)
 1. Topic: **Global and Regional Collaboration Potential on Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) Supply.** In this session, the forum will delve into the critical role of SAF in decarbonizing the aviation industry. With the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the International Air Transport Association (IATA) targeting net-zero aviation emissions by 2050, SAF is projected to reduce aviation CO2 emissions by 65%, or 14 gigatons, by 2050. However, the supply of SAF remains a significant challenge, despite the growing demand.
2. **2nd session:** Special Dialogue Program (18 September 2024 - 15:30-16:45 UTC+8)
 1. Topic: **Guardians of the Sky: Exploring Indonesia's Advancements in Air Defense Industry** is the focus of the second dialogue, which will highlight Indonesia's efforts to modernise its air defence capabilities. The discussion will cover the procurement of advanced aircraft, the development of the Indonesian Archipelagic Air Defense System (IAADS), and the challenges Indonesia faces in maintaining its competitiveness in the global defence industry.



3. **3rd session:** Special Dialogue Program (19 September 2024 - 10:00-11:15 UTC+8)
 1. Topic: **Soaring High: Indonesia's Ascend to Becoming a Global Leading Aviation Market**, will examine the growth trajectory of Indonesia's aviation sector. With the goal of becoming the world's fourth-largest air travel market by 2037, the session will explore how the nation's vast geography necessitates air travel and how the industry is poised to recover and thrive post-pandemic.

4. **4th session:** Special Talk Show Program (19 September 2024 - 14:00-15:15 UTC+8)
 1. Topic: **Fueling the Future: Harnessing Indonesia's Natural Resource Endowment for Global SAF Feedstock**, will explore Indonesia's potential as a leader in SAF feedstock production. Given its status as the world's leading palm oil producer, Indonesia has the capacity to generate 36.8 billion litres of SAF. The session will address the global perception challenges surrounding palm oil and discuss strategies for enhancing its acceptance as a sustainable feedstock.

The Bali International Airshow 2024 is set to showcase Indonesia's growing influence in the global aerospace and defence sectors. By addressing critical issues such as sustainable aviation, air defence advancements, and the future of air travel, the event will provide a unique platform for valuable insights and collaborations among industry leaders.

"We are excited to welcome exhibitors, trade visitors and the visiting public from around the world to the Bali International Airshow. With the various programs we offer, including networking opportunities and business sessions, we hope to facilitate productive collaborations and drive the aviation industry forward," said Andy Wismaryah, Chief Executive Officer of PT Inaro Tujuh Belas, the exhibition organiser.

The high-resolution media assets can be accessed [here](#).

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About Bali International Airshow

The Bali International Airshow 2024 aims to be Southeast Asia's most eminent international exposition for aerospace, aero technology, and defence. With a dedicated focus on propelling Indonesia to the forefront of the regional aerospace industry, this prestigious event serves as a pivotal platform that unites diverse stakeholders within the industry, championing aerospace innovation in Southeast Asia and Indonesia.



Hosted by the Coordinating Ministry for Maritime and Investment Affairs, the Ministry of Transportation, the Indonesian Air Forces (TNI AU) and supported by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Tourism and Creative Economy, AirNav Indonesia and Angkasa Pura Airports, the Bali International Airshow 2024 is a collaborative effort that signifies Indonesia's commitment to excellence in the aerospace sector. The Bali International Airshow 2024 is scheduled to take place from September 18 to 21, 2024.

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