

Introductie



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On the appearance of this valuable *Dutch-Indonesian Law Dictionary*, sponsored by the Centre for International Legal Cooperation, I would like firstly to congratulate all the members of the team responsible for its preparation on the excellent job they have done.

It was certainly no easy job but, buoyed up by their enthusiasm, they have put so much painstaking hard work into it that the outcome is an undeniable success.

As we know, there are many legal terms and expressions originating from Dutch in the various laws introduced in Indonesia. However, Indonesians in general, and law students, law scholars, legal practitioners and legal theorists in particular, do not understand the meanings of these terms and expressions. Moreover, legal terminology in The Netherlands is evolving. Hence this dictionary will prove extremely useful both as a guide for users and as an instrument in legal development in that it will help to achieve unity in the understanding, interpretation and use of the relevant legal terminology.

In conclusion, I would like to express my gratitude to the Centre for International Legal Cooperation for all the thought, effort and energy it has put into the preparation of this dictionary.

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