# Regional Integration: A Question Mark for Indonesia

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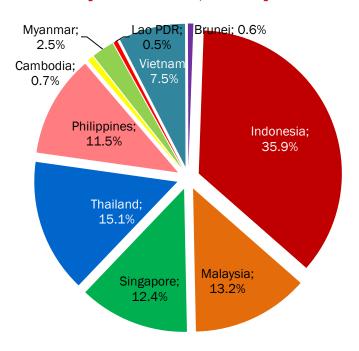
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## Indonesia: <u>a Potential</u> Asia's Emerging Power

- Indonesia is the biggest economy in ASEAN and the
   16th largest economy in the world.
- It has the largest population in ASEAN and the 4th largest in the world.
- The 3rd largest democratic country as well as a home for the largest Muslim population in the world.
- A resilient country amid 2008-2009 global financial crisis, supported by 60% of domestic consumption.
- Has Indonesia materialized its potential?

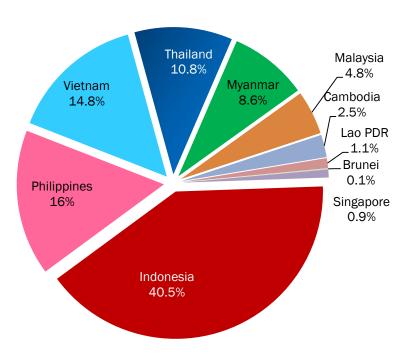
#### **GDP and Population: a Dominant Player**

#### [ASEAN GDP, 2014]



Source: World Economic Outlook Database, IMF

#### [ASEAN Population, 2014]



Source : United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs

- ASEAN's GDP reached USD888.65 billion (2014)
- ASEAN member countries have population of approximately 600 million (2014)

#### **Competitiveness: Lagging Behind**

## GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS INDEX (2014-2015)

Singapore 2
Malaysia 20
Brunei Darussalam 26
Thailand 31
Indonesia 34

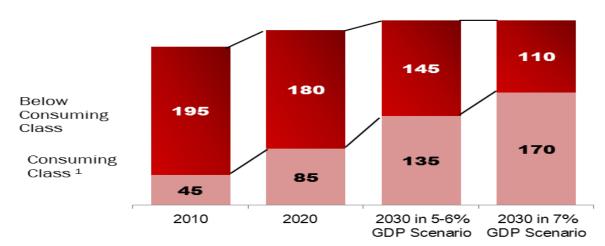
(GCI, World Economic Forum)

LOGISTIC PERFORMANCE INDEX (2014)	
Malaysia	25
Thailand	35
Vietnam	48
Indonesia	53
(World Bank 2014)	

EASE OF DOING B	<u>USINESS (2015)</u>
Singapore	1
Malaysia	18
Thailand	26
Vietnam	78
Philippines	95
Brunei Darussalam	101
Indonesia	114
(World Bank 2015)	4

#### The Largest Market: Destined to be a Market?

- Increasing number of a large-vibrant and consuming middle class.
- Strong presence of regional business entities and brands in numerous business sectors.



 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Consuming class defined as individuals with an annual net income of above \$3,600 at 2005 PPP

Source: McKinsey

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Based on annual GDP growth between 5 and 6 %

## **Opportunity: Regional Value Chain**

- Indonesia has the potential to take advantage of the RVC by enlarging the existing industry i.e. automotive, textile, and processed food.
- It can focus on industrial segments that are comparatively better than the rest.
- Indonesia has a high role for some products of RVC such as chemical, rubber, plastic products, food products, upstream textile, jewelry, and metal products.

#### **Shortcomings and Problems**

- Shortage of skilled labors and lack of English speaking skill.
- Increasing labor costs.
- Low level of technology utilization.
- The existing industry has an inward looking and domestic orientation.
- Low awareness toward the regional integration.

## Competitiveness Improvement: Is it Enough?

- Economic Deregulation Packages have been launched.
- The government is aiming to complete ambitious infrastructure projects such as power plants, high speed trains, and tollways.
- Business barriers have been reduced to attract more investors.
- However, the impacts of such measures have yet to be examined.

#### **ASEAN Studies Center: Brains to Compete**



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