

INVITATION

Public Seminar:

Aceh, Indonesia: Ten years of peace and post-tsunami reconstruction

Start: 30th June, 2015: 16.00—18:00 (drinks afterwards)

Location: Sterrewacht, Leiden University,
Kaiserstraat 63, Leiden

Room: B.1.04



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INFORMATION:

On 26 December 2004, a devastating earthquake and tsunami destroyed the coasts of Aceh, Indonesia. Half a year later, on 15 August 2005, a peace agreement ended an armed separatist conflict that had held the province in its grip for almost three decades. In the past decade, Indonesia's westernmost province has gone through major changes related to post-disaster reconstruction efforts and post-conflict peacebuilding processes, as well as to Aceh's far-reaching political autonomy and the much-debated implementation of Islamic law. Where is Aceh heading, ten years after? What are the successes and failures of the reconstruction and peace-building processes? How has the huge foreign presence in the immediate post-disaster years influenced local politics and how is Aceh faring now that humanitarian organizations have moved elsewhere?

These questions will be addressed by a panel of specialists with extensive experience in Aceh. Their short presentations will be followed by a public discussion on Aceh's recent developments and future outlook.

Azië Carrousel

Moderator:

Gerry van Klinken, senior researcher at the KITLV, and professor of Southeast Asian history at the University of Amsterdam.

Confirmed Speakers:

Pieter Feith, senior diplomat, crisis management expert and former head of the EU-led Aceh Monitoring Mission (2005-2006).

Liesbeth van der Hoogte, conflict and humanitarian adviser at Oxfam Novib. She has worked in Aceh to support civil society organizations in the post-tsunami reconstruction process.

David Kloos, postdoctoral researcher at the KITLV. He has carried out historical and anthropological research on Islam in Aceh (2008-2012).

Annemarie Samuels, postdoctoral researcher at the University of Amsterdam. She has carried out ethnographic research in Aceh on the post-tsunami recovery process and HIV/AIDS care.

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Deze activiteit maakt deel uit van de Azië Carrousel, die de Directie Azië en Oceanië van het Ministerie van Buitenlandse Zaken samen met partners - academici, maatschappelijk middenveld, openbaar bestuur, bedrijfsleven en Aziatische ambassades in Den Haag - organiseert. Het doel van deze evenementen is het vergroten van kennis over Azië en het belang van Azië voor Nederland, waarbij uiteenlopende actoren in de gelegenheid worden gesteld van gedachten te wisselen over hun prioriteiten, ervaringen, successen en uitdagingen.