

Press Release

PINZ Ignites Indonesia's Geothermal Potential with New Zealand Partnership

JAKARTA, INDONESIA – April 24, 2025 – The five-year Indonesia-Aotearoa New Zealand Geothermal Energy Programme (PINZ) is officially underway, building on the strong bond between New Zealand and Indonesia to unlock Indonesia's vast geothermal resources for a sustainable future. This collaborative initiative between the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) and the Indonesian Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources (MEMR) will deliver policy, technical, and capacity-building support, championing inclusive and sustainable development within the sector.

To mark the active implementation of PINZ, the New Zealand Embassy Jakarta hosted an Industry Breakfast Gathering on April 16, 2025. Carrying the theme of “Indonesia-Aotearoa New Zealand Collaboration to Unlock Indonesia’s Geothermal Potential for a Sustainable Tomorrow,” the event convened key stakeholders to foster collaboration and advance Indonesia's geothermal ambitions.

The gathering featured opening remarks from His Excellency Phillip Taula, Ambassador-Designate to the Republic of Indonesia, and keynote addresses from Ibu Prof. Dr. Eng. Eniya Listiani Dewi, Director General of New Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation (EBTKE) of the MEMR, and Bapak Julfi Hadi, President Director of Pertamina Geothermal Energy (PGE) and President of the Indonesian Geothermal Association (INAGA). Key government agencies, industry, and private sector representatives also attended.

Ambassador Phillip Taula emphasized, "Through PINZ, we are excited to continue our support for Indonesia's geothermal journey, empowering local companies and strengthening the nation's energy ecosystem through capacity building, technical assistance, and enhanced collaboration."

PINZ consolidates the successes of previous initiatives like the Acceleration of Geothermal Development in Indonesia Activity (Geo-INZ) and New Zealand Support for Technical Training in the Indonesia Geothermal Sector (NZSTIGS) into a cohesive strategy, delivering focused and targeted support to meet partner needs. A core commitment of PINZ is promoting gender equity and social inclusion (GSI) across all its activities.

Ibu Prof. Eniya Listiani Dewi stressed the urgency of leveraging domestic energy sources, stating, "I urge all stakeholders to collaborate closely to realise Indonesia's immense geothermal potential responsibly. Collaborative programs like PINZ provide an excellent framework to advance our climate goals and bolster Indonesia's energy independence and economic resilience."

Bapak Julfi Hadi underscored the critical role of strengthened collaboration in achieving Indonesia's energy security and self-sufficiency.

Since its launch in 2024, PINZ has actively engaged with public and private sector partners and industry associations to navigate Indonesia's geothermal development. The program has already provided technical support, including evaluations and drilling assistance for the Geology Agency of the MEMR. Looking ahead, PINZ will focus on three key areas:

- **Policy and Regulation Support:** providing technical input for sustainable geothermal policies.
- **Targeted Geoscience Assistance:** supporting government-led geothermal exploration projects.
- **Enhanced Workforce Skills:** facilitating comprehensive training courses and workshops.

Managed by a dedicated Programme Implementation Unit (PIU) in Jakarta, PINZ signifies New Zealand's enduring commitment to Indonesia's geothermal sector, aiming to strengthen their partnership, enhance Indonesia's energy resilience, and boost the global competitiveness of its geothermal industry.

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