Indonesian Translation Funding Program

USD 1 Million for 2014
Indonesia’s Ministry of Education and Culture has established the "I-LIT Program" (Indonesian Literature in Translation) to promote the appreciation of Indonesian written works—both fiction and non-fiction—through their translation into foreign languages. The Ministry has committed USD 1 Million to this program for 2014. Additional funding will be made available in 2015 and beyond. This program was announced by the Ministry in anticipation of Indonesia’s participation at the Frankfurt Book Fair as Guest of Honour Country in 2015.

17,000 Islands
Over the past decade, Indonesia has gained expanding economic, cultural, and political influence in the world. With its more than 240 million people spread among 17,000 islands, Indonesia is the world’s fourth most populous country and the need to spread information about this diverse and vibrant archipelago has never been greater.

Indonesia is a land rich in diversity with an amazing wealth of creative content and talent, from the traditional domain up to the ever growing digital industry. Both Indonesia’s government and its publishers are committed to giving the world access to the nation’s culture, visual arts, cuisine, languages, and literature.

Details:
www.indonesiafbf.com

The I-Lit Program

- Who Can Apply?
  - Indonesian and Foreign Publishers
  - Translators with a Publishing Contract
  - Authors with a Publishing Contract

- Genres Considered
  - Literary Works
  - Non-Literary Works
  - Children’s Books
  - Comics

- Size of Grants: up to 100% of translation costs

“A Huge and Exciting Market”
- Long literary traditions
- Sustainable economic growth of 6-7% for the last 3 years
- 25% of Indonesia’s 240 million population is school age children
- One of the world’s key players in the digital and software industry, especially in the field of child and youth learning
- Approximately 30,000 new titles per year, with book market growth of 6% per year since 2007

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