Makarim & Taira S. Hosts the First Drew Network Asia Symposium in Indonesia

For the first time, the Drew Network Asia (DNA) Symposium was held in Indonesia, marking a milestone for both Makarim & Taira S. and the DNA alliance — Drew & Napier LLC, Shearn Delamore & Co., Martinez Vergara & Gonzalez Sociedad (MVGS), and Tilleke & Gibbins.

Hosted by Makarim & Taira S., the event brought together over 250 policymakers, industry leaders, investors, and legal experts from across ASEAN to explore Indonesia's economic direction under the new administration and discuss opportunities for collaboration and sustainable growth amid shifting global dynamics.

The event opened with remarks by maria sagrado (Managing Partner, Makarim & Taira S.) and Jimmy Yim, SC (Chairman, Drew & Napier LLC), followed by a presentation from Adhyanti Sardanarini Wirajuda (Director for ASEAN Economic Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Indonesia).

The symposium then continued with a series of panel discussions exploring key sectors driving Indonesia and ASEAN's economic growth.

Agriculture Panel – "Feeding the Nation and the Region"

Panelists: Dr. Zainul Azmi Ph.D (Deputy Director of Planning for Monitoring, Evaluation, and Reporting, Ministry of Agriculture), Prof. Dr. arif satria (Rector of IPB University), Rahmad Pribadi (President Director, PT Pupuk Indonesia), and Gustavo Hildenbrand (President Director, PT Frisian Flag Indonesia)

Moderators: Vincent Ariesta Lie (Partner, Makarim & Taira S.) and Alan Adcock(Partner and Director, Tilleke & Gibbins)

Healthcare Panel – "Transforming Healthcare: Opportunities in Medical Infrastructure and Pharma"

Panelists: Prof. Asnawi Abdullah (Policy Agency, Ministry of Health), Andri Kusandri (Market

Access and Government Affairs Director, Merck Indonesia), and Ainsley Mann, MBE (President Director, PT Swire Investments Indonesia)

Moderators: Frederick Simandjuntak (Partner, Makarim & Taira S.) and Marhaini Nordin (Partner, Shearn Delamore & Co.)

Energy Panel – "Indonesia's Energy Transition and Regional Energy Connectivity" Panelists: Ufo Budiarius Anwar (Vice President of Commercialization, SKK Migas) and Agung Wicaksono (Director of Transformation and Business Sustainability, PT Pertamina) Moderators: Hilton King (Senior Foreign Counsel, Makarim & Taira S.) and Manuel Z Gonzalez (Managing Partner, MVGS)

Fireside Chat – "From Policy to Practice: The Builder of Modern Finance"

Moderator: Julian Kwek (Director, Drew & Napier LLC)

Speaker: Fauzi Ichsan (Chairman, Indonesia Financial Group (IFG); Independent Commissioner, PT AKR Corporindo Tbk.)

Closing remarks were delivered by Cavinder Bull, SC (CEO, Drew & Napier LLC) and Rahayu Ningsih Hoed (Senior Partner, Makarim & Taira S.), followed by a networking reception at K22, Fairmont Hotel Jakarta.

We thank all distinguished speakers, moderators, and participants for contributing to this landmark event — one that reflects our shared commitment to advancing Indonesia and ASEAN's economic future beyond 2025.