

# EU and Indonesia hold sixth Security Dialogue

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## Joint Press Releases

The European Union (EU) and Indonesia held their 6th Security Policy Dialogue virtually on 10 November 2021. The Dialogue contributes to strengthening EU-Indonesia cooperation on security issues. During the meeting, both parties discussed a wide range of issues encompassing the fight against terrorism and violent extremism, countering narcotics, peacekeeping and crisis management, maritime security, cyber security, non-proliferation and disaster management.

The EU and Indonesia took stock of good progress with the implementation of their partnership in over the past years. In the areas of counter-terrorism and of cybersecurity, the EU and Indonesia conducted online workshops to share information and best practices that cover issues such as the protection and treatment of children associated with terrorist groups, the increased use of financial technology and its links with terrorist financing, countering violent extremist narratives, and confidence-building measures in cyberspace. The EU and Indonesia also reiterated their commitment of cooperation in multilateral platforms within these areas.

The Dialogue also shared challenges faced by the EU and Indonesia in countering narcotics and discussed ways to strengthen their policy response through comprehensive counter narcotics policies, including rehabilitation. In the area of peacekeeping and crisis management, the EU and Indonesia stressed the importance of promoting the role of women in peace operations while in the area of maritime security, both parties highlighted the importance of cooperation on Maritime Situational Awareness.

Both the EU and Indonesia attach great importance to a successful 10th Review Conference of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT). As for countering Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) hazards, the EU and Indonesia highlighted their cooperation under the EU Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Risk Mitigation Centres of Excellence Initiative. The EU and Indonesia will continue their close collaboration on consular matters including in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. Finally, the EU and Indonesia set out a list of future cooperation activities in the areas discussed during the Dialogue.

The meeting was co-chaired by Ms Joanneke Balfoort, Director for Security and Defence Policy at the European External Action Service, and Mr Masni Eriza, Director for American and European Intra and Inter-regional Cooperation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia.

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