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Please read the papers published by the journal on Development Planning which continues to carry the spirit of "bridging research to policy" in this edition.

The manuscripts in The Indonesian Journal of Development Planning (JPP) this time show the same trend as before; that attention and interest in submitting academic quality articles to this journal are always increasing. As can be seen, the distribution of the topics submitted is also increasingly diverse, in addition to the authors who are spread widely from various professions and affiliated from within and outside the country. However, we still understand that most of the papers published in JPP are made by bureaucrats or academics to fulfill the obligation to write papers because of assignments in their institutions or academic careers.

We are of the view that the publication of papers as carried out by JPP will remain important, even far into the future as Indonesia moves towards "Golden Indonesia 2045". The problems and challenges of development in Indonesia which is heterogeneous and has a large area will be increasingly complex. More and more in-depth research will be needed to understand it. The policies made must be better, but it is not easy to make policies directly from the scattered research. Therefore, papers, especially those that try to "bridging research to policy", as also played by JPP so far, will be very much needed.

Maintaining, or continuing to improve the quality of this journal's services is a challenge faced by the journal's management. We remain limited in resources, while the demand to improve the services of this journal continues to increase. We hope for continued support from readers, while we will also continue to make improvements.

Enjoy reading,

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