

Can Indonesia Use its Economic Performance as Asset for Diplomacy?

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Abstrak

Recently Indonesia is viewed quite positively due to its achievements in withering the 2008 financial crisis and for world's recognition as one of the fast emerging economies along with Brazil, Russia, India, China and the G-20 countries. Does that mean that it's time for Indonesia to use its economic performance as asset for diplomacy? What to consider when employing economic achievements as diplomatic tool? This paper discusses the changing nature of diplomacy, the posture of Indonesia's economic performance, how Indonesia tap into it, and what could be done to take most advantage out of the new context and development in international politics.