

Signifikansi Jejaring Transnasional dalam Regionalisme: Studi Kasus Peran Asia Pacific Refugee Rights Network dalam Penanganan Isu Pengungsi di Asia Tenggara = Significance of Transnational Networks in Regionalism: A Case Study of the Role of the Asia Pacific Refugee Rights Network in Addressing Refugee Issues in Southeast Asia

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Abstrak

Dalam menghadapi isu pengungsi, Asia Tenggara tidak memiliki kerangka hukum dalam organisasi kawasan dan persisten dalam menolak norma-norma tentang perlindungan pengungsi. Kondisi ini yang mendorong kemunculan Asia Pacific Refugee Rights Network (APRRN) sebagai jejaring transnasional yang dapat berperan dalam politik global mewakili kepentingan pengungsi. Banyak literatur yang menggambarkan signifikansi APRRN sebagai champion organisasi yang menangani pengungsi di kawasan Asia Pasifik seperti Kneebone (2014), Taylor (2016), Nah (2016), Choi (2019; 2022). Hal senada tergambar dalam APRRN Annual Report dan Positive Practice in Refugee Protection in the Asia-Pacific Region. Sayangnya, dalam literatur dan dokumen resmi tersebut, capaian APRRN di Asia Tenggara bersifat insidental dan hanya ada pada kategori Partnerships for Supportive Operating Environment. Berbeda dengan capaian APRRN di kawasan lain di Asia Pasifik yang berhasil mendorong solusi jangka panjang bagi perlindungan pengungsi (durable solution). Oleh karena itu, penelitian ini mempertanyakan "Mengapa APRRN-sebagai sebuah jejaring transnasional-tidak berperan signifikan dalam upaya advokasi perlindungan pengungsi di Asia Tenggara?". Dengan pendekatan kualitatif dan metode analisis process tracing, penelitian ini menemukan bahwa tidak signifikannya peranan APRRN tersebut disebabkan oleh tiga faktor, yaitu: kompleksitas rezim, kelemahan tata kelola internal dan perubahan orientasi strategi. Ketiga faktor tersebut berada pada dimensi yang berbeda namun saling mempengaruhi.

.....Facing the issue of refugees, Southeast Asia lacks a regional legal framework and persistently rejects norms regarding refugee protection. This condition has led to the emergence of the Asia Pacific Refugee Rights Network (APRRN) as a transnational network that can play a role in global politics, representing refugees voice. Many studies describe the significance of APRRN as a champion organization addressing the refugee issue in the Asia Pacific region, such as Kneebone (2014), Taylor (2016), Nah (2016), Choi (2019; 2022). Similar views are reflected in the APRRN Annual Report and Positive Practice in Refugee Protection in the Asia-Pacific Region. However, unfortunately, in the literature and official documents, APRRN's achievements in Southeast Asia are incidental and only fall under the category of Partnerships for Supportive Operating Environment. This is in contrast to other region's achievement in the Asia Pacific that have succeeded in promoting long-term solutions for refugee protection (durable solutions). Therefore, this research questions, "Why does APRRN, as a transnational network, not play a significant role in advocating for refugee protection in Southeast Asia?" Using a qualitative approach and process tracing analysis method, this study finds that the insignificance of APRRN's role is due to three factors: regime complexity, internal governance weaknesses, and shifting strategies employed. These three factors exist in different dimensions but interconnected influence each other.