

## The East Asia Institute (EAI) launches Website for Asia Democracy Research Network (ADRN)

### ◆ About Asia Democracy Research Network

The East Asia Institute (EAI), South Korea's leading think tank, is proud to announce the launch of an independent website dedicated to the work of the Asian Democracy Research Network ([www.adrnresearch.org](http://www.adrnresearch.org)). Since its establishment in November 2013, ADRN has developed into a meaningful research network which now includes 23 institutions from 14 Asian countries. ADRN member institutions continue to dedicate themselves to providing policy suggestions by researching and identifying emerging threats to democracy in the Asian region. In order to accommodate ADRN's research output and make it more accessible to the wider public, this website has been launched to archive ADRN's vast publications and to provide analyses on current issues. In doing so, the website offers useful information related to democratic governance and human rights promotion in Asia.

### ◆ Overview

#### 1. Democracy-related publications that address changes in the regional environment

ADRN publishes research on the state of democracy in Asia and relevant contemporary issues. Publications include thematic books, reports and briefs which are available both online and offline. ADRN also covers topics such as civic space, corruption, and gender equality in Asia as special reports. Series of reports aim to investigate and evaluate pressing and contemporary agendas regarding the development of regional democracy in Asia. Reports offer country-specific analyses, highlight areas of improvement, and suggests policy recommendations. With the launching of the new ADRN website, the new commentary series has begun covering periodic briefs on timely topics related to the region's democracy. Commentary issues have been covered by member institutions from the different countries within the region. Diverse publications are archived within the Commentary, Reports, as well as Books and Multimedia sections so that users may easily access ADRN publications. The distinct colors of each of the categories enable the users to differentiate the publication types.

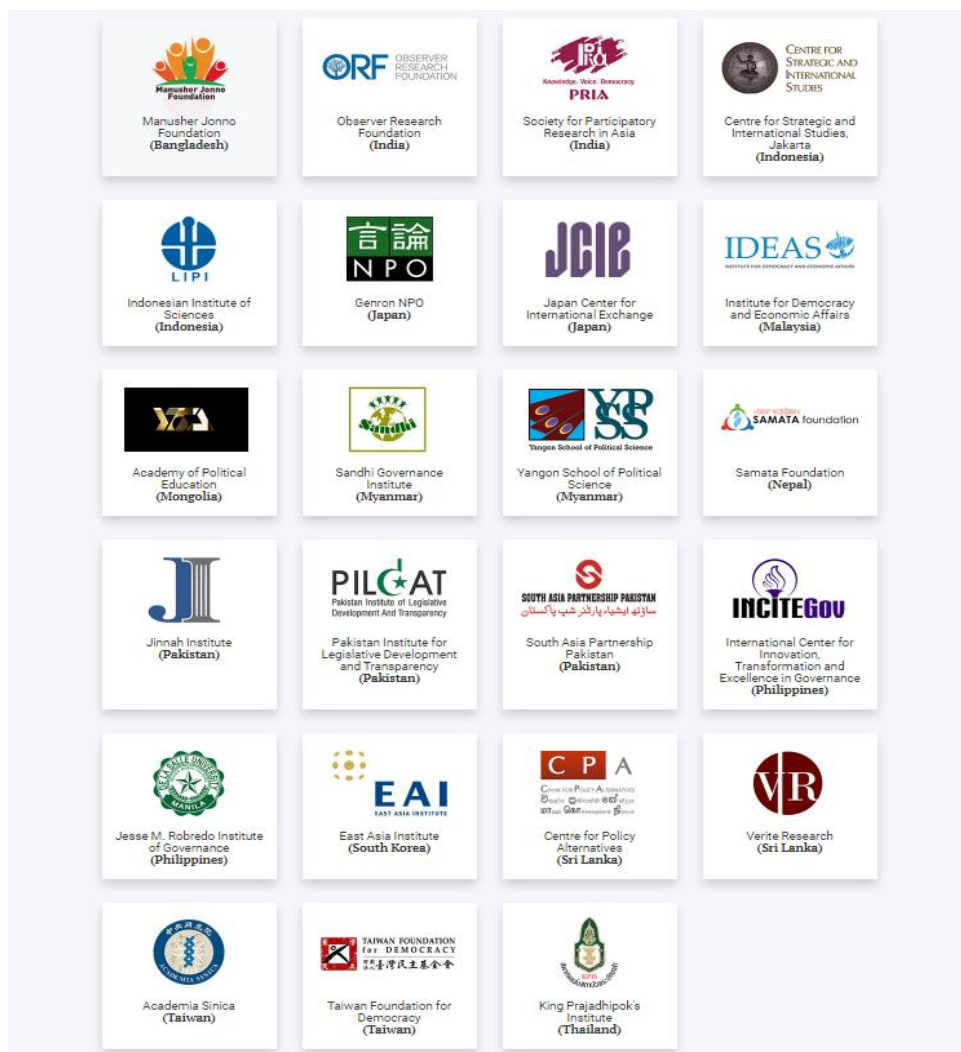
#### 2. Events announcement of ADRN's various activities

ADRN organizes two workshops annually under the rotating initiative of the member institutions. In addition to the workshops, ADRN also holds other national and sub-national level workshops that promote engagement among local civil society organization leaders and policymakers. These activities provide opportunities for ADRN members to collaborate with other networks focused on democracy research and advocacy and expand the regional cooperation network to include both non-profit, for-profit organizations and governments interested in promoting democracy in Asia. All

announcements and notices for the events will be posted on the website. News and activities from other member institutions and cooperating organizations will be provided on the website as well. This website will serve as a hub of knowledge on regional democracy in Asia.

### 3. Exploring ADRN member institutions and cooperating organizations

ADRN includes 23 major think tanks from 14 Asian countries including Taiwan, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, India, Indonesia, Japan, Thailand, Pakistan the Philippines, and South Korea. Research funding is provided by the National Endowment for Democracy (NED), a bipartisan funding and research organization. The East Asia Institute(EAI) serves as the secretariat for the network and promotes regional democracy promotion through programs including the Myanmar program for capacity building of local civil society think tanks. Other cooperating organizations include the Bali Democracy Forum, Forum2000, and the World Movement for Democracy. The website allows users to explore ADRN’s member institutions and cooperating organizations by providing links to their websites which are accessible directly by clicking on the logos on the main page and the members page.



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