

ASIA EIA CONFERENCE 2016:  
**Group A**  
- Quality of EIA -

# Major root causes

## Sustainable finance policy

- ▶ Command and control doesn't work well.
- ▶ Lack of extended liability
- ▶ Unawareness of project proponents on international practices (Reputational risk)
- ▶ Downsizing or splitting projects for time and cost saving
- ▶ Disconnect accountability and decision making

## Expert committee

- ▶ Limited capacity of human resources and technical skill in the EIA unit
- ▶ Acceleration of development process as well as EIA process causing compromised quality of EIA

# Good practices

## Sustainable finance policy

- ▶ Having integrated approach to review EIA as a part of loan approval
- ▶ Sustainable finance system is supported by law in Indonesia
- ▶ Results of EIA compliance team were reflected to loan conditions

## EIA review committee

- ▶ Focus on critically high risk areas sectors
- ▶ Inviting experts on different sectors and hold in-house expert group
- ▶ Internal experts in house
- ▶ Prioritizing critical issues to discuss in the committee to make a decision
- ▶ Only environmental critical projects go to the expert committee
- ▶ Secure accountability of the committee's decision

# Recommendations for policy makers

## Sustainable finance

- ▶ Commercial banks need to follow international standards for the future
- ▶ Providing incentives for private sectors to implement environmental and social consideration such as lower interests rate
- ▶ In the future, commercial banks need to review EIA, not only check approval of EIA
- ▶ EIA should be done at the same time as finance feasibility review

## Expert committee

- ▶ Further consideration of the number of members, membership balance, based on knowledge and experience
- ▶ Focus on critical issues, such as high risk areas
- ▶ Efficient review by using scoping and technical guidelines for EIA review
- ▶ Good discussion for convergence of view among members
- ▶ Need to engage with local government
- ▶ Accreditation system for EIA consultants to ensure quality of EIAs
- ▶ Local governments , NGOs and local communities should be considered as a member of the experts committee.
- ▶ Review need to be accountable for their decision.