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## Editor's Note

Dear readers. In this edition of AEGIS, we are delighted to present a compelling collection of six articles that delve into diverse aspects of international relations, ranging from civil society movement and media in international relations.

Our esteemed contributor, Renatha Ayu Rossdiana, sheds light on the pivotal role played by funding agencies within the Global Research Council (GRC). The article emphasizes the crucial role of these agencies in fostering collaboration and bridging interests between scientific entities, ultimately enhancing the assessment of research funding. We hope that this thought-provoking research contributes to a deeper understanding of the intricate dynamics within the global research landscape.

In the following article by Dwi and Elvianti, we delve into the formation and impact of the #MeToo movement in South Korea. With a particular focus on the role of influential celebrities, the study examines the transnational nature of this movement through a comprehensive case study spanning from 2017 to 2019. The research reveals that the courageous actions of public figures have not only inspired victims of sexual harassment to come forward but have also garnered significant global attention, leading to substantial legislative reforms in multiple countries. By shedding light on the power of collective voices, this article sheds new insights on the transformative potential of social movements.

In the third article, Diandra Ayu Larasati delves into the nation-building efforts in Singapore and their impact on the country's decision to join the Arctic Council as an observer. By employing a rational choice approach and examining the value of pragmatism in Singapore's foreign policy, the author sheds light on the underlying reasons behind the adoption of these particular foreign policies. The article aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of the factors and considerations that have influenced Singapore's approach to international relations. We hope that readers will gain valuable insights into the intricate interplay between domestic nation-building and foreign policy decisions.

The fourth article focuses more on social issue especially in China town in the US. The research aims to analyze the implications COVID-19 toward the Chinatown and the rise of ethnical violence. The research found that the COVID-19 has significantly affected the rise of ethnical violence in most of the Chinatown in the US. However, the international cultural and social policy has responded that the COVID-19 is not only affecting the health sector yet also the social and cultural sector.

In the fifth article, Kadun and Mananoma, focuses on the post-conflict scenario between Papua New Guinea and the Bougainville Rebellion, with a specific emphasis on the media publication landscape. The research investigates how the media has played a crucial role in shaping objective and harmonious circumstances in the aftermath of the referendum. The findings of this study shed light on the media's

efforts to foster understanding and reconciliation in a complex post-conflict context. By examining the media's role in this delicate situation, the article contributes to a better understanding of the transformative power of responsible journalism in post-conflict societies.

The final article in this issue, Farid reviews a book with the title of banking on Beijing: the aims and impacts of China's overseas development program. This book discusses western governments, multilateral institutions, scholars, and journalists criticize China's development finance for lack of quality, lack of proper supervision, as well creating debt problems, corruption, and environmental issues in host countries. On the contrary, those who are in favor of China claim that China provides flexible schemes, which are fit to the debtor's demand. By exploring the complexities surrounding China's role in international development, the review offers valuable insights into the ongoing debates and controversies surrounding China's approach, encouraging further dialogue and examination of the impacts and potential challenges associated with its overseas development efforts.

Have a nice read.

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