

Dr. Darwis KHUDORI



Before being academic, Dr. Darwis Khudori has been basically writer (poems, short stories, novels, essays) and engineer-architect (*Universitas Gadjah Mada*, Yogyakarta, Indonesia, 1984), specialised in housing and urban development (*Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies*, Rotterdam, Netherlands, 1987 and 1989). He obtained lately doctorate degree of the University of Paris-Sorbonne (Paris IV), specialised in History of Contemporary Arab and Muslim World (1999), with a thesis entitled « *De la création française au développement égyptien. Transformations architecturales et sociales d'une ville du Monde musulman, le cas d'Ismailia, Egypte (1862-1993)* » (From French Creation to Egyptian

Development. Architectural and Social Transformations of a City in the Muslim World. The case of Ismailia, Egypt, 1862-1993). His numerous works have been published in Indonesian, Dutch, English and French.

As socially engaged architect, he participated in the advocacy and development of Kampung Tchodé, a slum area on the Tchodé riverbank of Yogyakarta, Indonesia, from 1980 to 1986 (Aga Khan Award for Architecture 1992). He was also the co-architect of the University of Surabaya and a sisters' convent in Gedono, Salatiga, Central Java, Indonesia (Indonesian Architect Association Award 1991).

Senior lecturer in language and civilisation of the Malay World in general, and of Indonesia in particular, at the University of Le Havre where he has been lecturing since 1995, he is also the Director of Master's Degree in International Affairs specialised in Trade with Asia, at the Faculty International Affairs of the university, since 2004.

Outside university, he is active in associative movements, especially in the *Yayasan Pondok Rakyat* (People's Shelter Foundation) based in Yogyakarta, Indonesia, of which he is co-founder and member of the board of directors, and in the International Network Development and Civilisations LEBRET-IRFED based in Geneva and Paris, of which he is a part of the board of editors. He is also initiator and coordinator of Bandung Spirit Network promoting civil society movements based on the spirit of Asian-African Conference held in Bandung, Indonesia, in 1955.

As researcher and activist of associative movements, he has been working since some years on the question of associative movements based on identities (religion, spirituality, ethnicity, sexuality/gender/feminism, territoriality, environment) facing globalisation. He was the initiator and coordinator of a conference-workshop entitled « *In Search of a Humanised Globalisation. The Contribution of Spirituality-based Social Movements* », jointly organised by the University of Le Havre (France), Nanzan University (Nagoya, Japan) and ASEF (Asia-Europe Foundation), in Nagoya, Japan, on April 28, 29, and 30, 2004. He is at present preparing the publication of the proceedings of the conference-workshop.

His last publication is a collective work of which he is the editor: *Rethinking Solidarity in Global Society. The Challenge of Globalisation for Social and Solidarity Movements. 50 Years after Bandung Asian-African Conference 1955*, a joint publication of SIRD (Strategic Information Research Development, Malaysia), YPR (Yayasan Pondok Rakyat / People's Shelter Foundation, Indonesia), FTM / TWF (Forum Tiers Monde / Third World Forum, Senegal), CETRI (Centre Tricontinental, Belgium), DCLI (Développement et Civilisations LEBRET-IRFED / Development and Civilisations LEBRET-IRFED, France), and AAPSO (African-Asian People's Solidarity Organisation, Egypt), 2007.

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