

Preface

One of the most important policy issues in Brunei Darussalam, in which more than 60% of the gross domestic product comes from oil and natural gas, is how to become a non-oil economy.

Temburong district, which will be connected with the capital Bandar Seri Begawan by a new bridge in 2020, is expected to develop new industries (e.g. tourism). Most of the Temburong district is still covered by primeval forests such as morass and tropical rainforest jungle, so it is essential to achieve sustainable growth of the region through a balance of development and preservation.

This master plan proposes a next-generation eco-city model which balances development and preservation by focusing on issues such as energy, life/work style, and tourism. We believe that this plan could contribute to the vision of making Brunei a non-oil economy.

I hope this study can bring valuable insights to those involved in the Temburong district development.

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