## UNAS Lecturer Proposes Five Malaysia-Indonesia Smart Partnership

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MONDAY, 10 OCTOBER – The Principal of Economic Development Industry and Public Policy, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Universitas Nasional Indonesia (UNAS), Prof. Dr. Yuddy Chrisnandi listed five scenarios for smart partnership between Malaysia and Indonesia.

He said that Malaysia and Indonesia must first have a stronger and closer cooperation.

"This partnership is not only between the two countries, but also with all the ASEAN countries," he said when

delivering a lecture on 'Malaysia-Indonesia Relations: A Critical Observation'.

According to him, Indonesia and Malaysia must also have a common view on world political conflicts.

He said this common view was important and would support decisions made by the unions at international level.

In addition, Dr. Yuddy urged that Malaysia and Indonesia must intensify cooperation in defense.

"For example, cooperation in military training such as exchange of training grounds and smart partnership to strengthen the defense of their country," said the former minister of State Apparatus Authorisation and Indonesian Bureaucratic Reform.

He also listed cultural understanding between these two countries and ASEAN cultures as the fourth recommendation.

"There is no need to claim our heritage, or arts that have been handed down by our ancestors. No need for non-important debates," he added.

Lastly, he said Malaysia-Indonesia cooperation could be strengthened through shared leadership.

"In this method, the two countries must always have the same view," he said.

Held at the Main Meeting Room of Centre for the Promotion of Knowledge and Language (PPIB) UMS, the programme was also attended by the Dean of PPIB, Associate Professor Dr. Jualang @ Azlan Abdullah Gansau. -(fl)