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Abstract

Regional policies and development suggest that cities and regions have been increasingly affected by material and non material flows on global scale. Likewise to regional development in West Kalimantan, Indonesia region, it has been performing the development of region on global scale, by developing that prioritizes the development of border regions that have strategic value because has border regions directly on with neighboring country is Sarawak, Malaysia, by building cooperative relationships with the neighboring regions across interstate boundaries. The form of the cooperative relationship is the development of Cross Border Cooperation (CBC) like Sosek Malindo cooperation that is a strategy for accelerate the growth of regional development in the context of globalization. The main objective of this study is to analyze the role of Cross Border Cooperation (CBC) like Sosek Malindo cooperation that conducts the activities based on the rational foundations of CBC on regional developments in West Kalimantan region. The rational foundations of CBC consist of economic, political, cultural and historical, and cooperation and competition. Besides, the other objective in this study was also to identify other aspects of CBC in West Kalimantan region that might be different from the existing CBC. This study used in-depth interview, participant observations and documents as main data collection. Results showed that application of rational foundations of Cross Border Cooperation (CBC) under Sosek Malindo cooperation have significantly contributed to the regional development of West Kalimantan region, particularly in border regions. This study also found that transportation, tourism, health, and forestry and environment are addition aspects in this cooperation.

Keywords: Cross Border Cooperation (CBC), border region development and regional development

Abstrak

Dasar dan pembangunan daerah menunjukkan bahawa bandar-bandar dan daerah-daerah telah sudah semakin dipengaruhi oleh arus materi dan non materi pada global skala. Demikian pula untuk pembangunan daerah di Kalimantan Barat, wilayah Indonesia, telah melaksanakan pembangunan daerah pada skala global, dengan pengembangan yang memprioritaskan pembangunan daerah-daerah sempadan yang mempunyai nilai strategik kerana mempunyai daerah sempadan langsung dengan Negara jiran Sarawak, Malaysia, dengan membina hubungan kerjasama dengan daerah jiran melintasi batas-batas antar negara bahagian. Bentuk hubungan kerjasamanya ialah pengembangan Kerjasama Lintas Batas (KLB) seperti kerjasama Sosek Malindo yang merupakan strategi untuk mempercepatkan pertumbuhan pembangunan daerah dalam konteks globalisasi. Tujuan utama kajian ini ialah untuk menganalisis peranan Kerjasama Lintas Batas (KLB) seperti kerjasama Sosek Malindo yang melakukan yang kegiatannya didasarkan pada asas-asas rasional KLB terhadap pembangunan di wilayah Kalimantan Barat. Asas-asas rasional KLB terdiri daripada ekonomi, politik, budaya dan sejarah, dan kerjasama dan kompetisi. Selain itu, tujuan lain dalam kajian ini juga untuk mengenalpasti aspek-aspek lain dari KLB di wilayah Kalimantan Barat yang mungkin berbeza daripada KLB yang ada. Studi ini menggunakan wawancara mendalam, pemerhatian partisipan dan dokumen-dokumen sebagai pengumpulan data utama. Keputusan menunjukkan bahawa penerapan asas-asas rasional Kerjasama Lintas Batas (KLB) melalui kerjasama Sosek Malindo telah secara signifikan memberikan sumbangan untuk pembangunan daerah wilayah Kalimantan Barat, khususnya di kawasan sempadan. Studi ini juga mendapati bahawa pengangkutan, pelancongan, kesihatan, dan perhutanan dan persekitaran Selain aspek dalam kerjasama ini.

Kata Kunci: Kerjasama Lintas Batas (KLB), pembangunan kawasan sempadan dan pembangunan daerah.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Background

Recent literature on regional policies and development suggests that cities and regions have been increasingly affected directly by material and non material flows on a global scale. Sub-national regions adjacent to national boundaries, known as border regions, are not exceptional. The conditions of the development of the border regions, which tend to be located on the periphery of a nation state and dependent on a relatively weak economic and political base, have been changing under the influence of ongoing dynamic changes in global flows along with global economic restructuring (Enokido, 2007).

Recently, a number of border regions have started to take advantage of their unique locations in order to improve development and to enhance their territorial competitiveness by building cooperative relationships with neighboring regions across interstate boundaries. The innovative approach to regional development planning is being pioneered in this part of the globe.

The approach that represents a new regional development effort is called Cross Border Cooperation (CBC), which adopts outward looking, transnational solutions to domestic concerns like depressed regions, inequitable distribution of growth, and urban core periphery relationship problems (Enokido, 2007). CBC refers to an institutionalized collaboration between authorities across national borders. The Convention of the Council of Europe (CoE) defines CBC as any actions or efforts designed to reinforce and foster neighborhood relations between

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