

Shaping a Sustainable Future for Indonesia

The Role of Islamic Higher Education

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Indonesian scholarship in theology and religious studies shows a slow shift from focusing on religious moderation to focusing on religious environmentalism. This shift reflects that Indonesians seem less concerned about the threat of religious extremism and more concerned about environmental degradation. Based on recent large-scale research, I will explore awareness of Indonesians about climate change and I will re-interpret the notion of religious moderation that dominated Islamic Higher Education since the beginning of this century. Next I will reflect on the policy of promoting ‘integrated science’, combining green theology and green technology, and i will argue in favour of a ‘transdisciplinary approach’ in Islamic Higher Education in Indonesia.