## STRATEGIC PERSPECTIVE OF SUSTAINABLE SMALL ISLANDS MARINE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT IN INDONESIA

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## Abstract

Like jewels at the equator that stretches from the western part at Sumatera to the eastern part of Papua, Indonesia as an archipelagic state that consists of more than 10.000 small islands is not only strategically situated between Indian and Pacific Oceans, but also between Asia and Australia Continents. This position has put Indonesia at a very important role as a destination area for marine tourism.

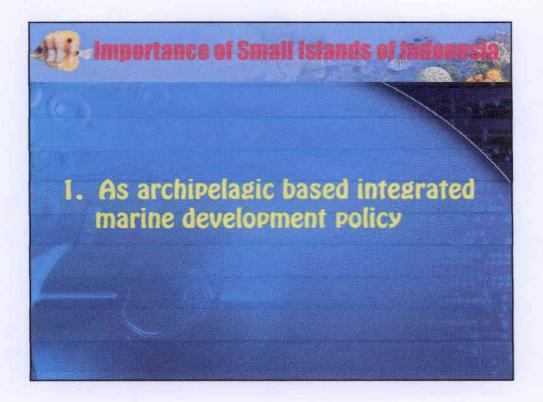
One of the characteristics of this kind of small islands is the bigger marine resources compared to that of land resources. Therefore, the strategic perspective of Indonesia's small islands development has to be based on the marine potency, where marine tourism will be one of the main source of the sustainable economic activities of small islands.

Key words: sustainable marine tourism, small islands, Indonesia



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## **Small Islands Problems**

- Ecosystem and resource degradation
- Pollution
- Spatial use conflict
- Still sectoral policy
- Lack of integrated approach
- Lack of infrastructure
- Global climate change (global warming, sea level rise...)

