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What Grab Has Learned from the Frontlines of the Pandemic



In this op-ed piece, Grab President Ming Maa explains how the company has gone beyond food delivery as it helped the governments of Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, and Singapore address COVID-19.

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6 Ways to Foster Inclusive Recovery in the Wake of the Pandemic



As the COVID-19 crisis rages, interventions are needed to help the most vulnerable.

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How Artificial Intelligence Can Help Build Smart Cities



With so many advances in AI, science fiction is now becoming science fact—and our cities are the better for it.

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Here's How a Young Change Maker Got Bali to Ban Single-Use Plastic Bags



Melati Wijsen's offensive against plastic pollution started when she was 12 and is an inspiration on how to make impactful change at any age.

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ASEAN Launches One-Stop SME Information Portal



ASEAN Access to provide trade-related information and market opportunities within the region and beyond.

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Calling for Applications: ADB Hackathon



The Asian Development Bank has launched an innovation challenge to crowdsource digital solutions to help its employees collaborate better. The winner will get \$10,000 in seed funding. Deadline on 4 August.

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Publications

The State of Social Enterprise in South East Asia



This report from UNESCAP delves into the size, scale, and scope of the social enterprise sector in Southeast Asia.

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Women's Participation in the Digital Economy: Improving Access to Skills, Entrepreneurship, and Leadership Across ASEAN



This paper from the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia looks at the digital gender divide in Southeast Asia and outlines measures to bridge the gap.

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Technology and Humanity: Emerging Insights Report 2021



This report from Ashoka and Google.org features insights from social entrepreneurs about using technology for positive social change.

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Skills for the Future: Capturing the Economic Opportunity of Digital Skills in Indonesia



This study from Google and AlphaBeta examines how accelerating the pace of providing digital skills to workers could contribute \$303.4 billion to Indonesia's economy by 2030.

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Events

ERIA: Critical Partnerships for Success—Public, Private, and People

Thursday, 24 June 2021, 2:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. (UTC+7; Jakarta, Indonesia time)

In this digitally transformed world, “tripartite partnerships” between the public and private sectors and people have become vital. Join the conversation on what more needs to be done to foster such critical partnerships for success. [Register.](#)

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