"Global Queer Activism in Theory and Practice"

A brown bag discussion with Dédé Oetomo

In this brown bag discussion, Dédé Oetomo will discuss the contemporary landscape of queer activism in Indonesia (the fourth-most populous nation and home to more Muslims than any other country), including his ongoing work with the national network GAYa NUSANTARA. He will also draw on his work with a number of other regional and national networks, including the Asia-Pacific Coalition on Male Sexual Health (APCOM), and the Coalition for Sexual and Bodily Rights in Muslim Societies (CSBR). He will address the role of networking in activism and the interface between activism and academia.

Dr. Dédé Oetomo is a gay activist with GAYa NUSANTARA (www.gayanusantara.or.id) in Surabaya, Indonesia, and currently chairs the Asia-Pacific Coalition on Male Sexual Health (www.apcom.org). He is also a member of the Advisory Council of the Coalition on Sexual and Bodily Rights in Muslim Societies (www.csbronline.org). He received his PhD in linguistics and Southeast Asian studies at Cornell University in 1984. He is also an adjunct lecturer in gender and sexuality at the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences and the Faculty of Humanities at Universitas Airlangga. His collected writings were published in Memberi Suara pada Yang Bisu (Giving Voice to the Voiceless) in 2001.

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Free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be provided.

Please RSVP to Kasey Ning (ningk@uci.edu) by Oct 22.