Dr. Dino Patti Djalal



Dino Patti Djalal is a career diplomat, former ambassador, best-selling author, academic, and youth activist. Born in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, in 1965, Dino grew up in a diplomatic family, living in cities across the globe. He holds a Ph.D. in International Relations from the London School of Economics, alongside degrees from Carleton University and Simon Fraser University, reflecting a blend of Islamic and Western education.

Dino's diplomatic career began in 1987, with postings in London, Dili, and Washington DC. He gained national recognition as the Indonesian government spokesperson during the UN referendum in East Timor and served as Special Staff to President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, becoming Indonesia's longest-serving presidential spokesperson. From 2010 to 2013, Dino was Indonesia's ambassador to the United States, elevating bilateral ties to a Comprehensive Partnership.

In 2015, Dino founded the Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia (FPCI), now the country's largest foreign policy network with over 100,000 members. He is also the visionary behind the Conference on Indonesian Foreign Policy and the Supermentor program, initiatives inspiring dialogue on foreign policy and personal growth. Dino chairs the Board of Directors for the World Resources Institute (WRI) Indonesia and serves on the Executive Committee of the Paris Peace Forum.

Dino has authored 11 books, including the best-seller Harus Bisa, which sold over two million copies. He is a pioneer in interfaith dialogue, founding the 1000 Abrahamic Circles program, which promotes mutual respect among religious leaders and has won international acclaim. Dino is also celebrated as the father of Indonesian Diasporas, organizing the first World Congress of Indonesian Diasporas and coining the term "Indonesian diaspora."

Dino's resilience and innovative spirit have shaped his career and contributions, from hosting global town halls to interviewing Hollywood icons on Mola TV. He resides with his family in Jakarta, Indonesia.