GITA WIRJAWAN

- Former Minister of Trade, Indonesia

Founder and Chairman of Ancora Capital



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Mr. Wirjawan's most recent appointment was as Minister of Trade of the Republic of Indonesia from October 2011 – February 2014. Two years prior to this post, he was the Chairman of Indonesia's Investment Coordinating Board (BKPM). He has also held key appointments at Goldman Sachs and JPMorgan, and was senior advisor to JPMorgan for Southeast Asia.

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Before he joined the government, he was Founder and Chairman of Ancora Capital, a Jakarta-based private equity fund, a Commissioner of state-owned oil giant, Pertamina, and an Independent Board Director of Axiata Group Berhad. As a philanthropist, Mr. Wirjawan has endowed scholarships for Indonesians to attend the best universities in the world, including Harvard University, University of Oxford, University of Cambridge, Nanyang Technological University, Stanford University, and Science Po.

He is also in the process of establishing 1,000 preschools throughout Indonesia. An avid golfer, he has set up prominent academies to groom future Indonesian golfers. He is also currently Chairman of the Indonesian Badminton Association. And through Ancora Music, he has produced a range of albums that have been critically acclaimed. Mr. Wirjawan is a member of the dean's leadership council for both the Harvard Kennedy School and the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies at NTU.

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