

# Yale Indonesia Forum



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## **Stronger Together: Lessons from Faith Based Actors' Efforts in Fostering Community Resilience in Surakarta**

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Community resilience is formed and articulated through dynamics among local people, culture and values. Local religious actors and institutions are often well positioned in the discourse of resilience due to their profound capacity in safeguarding local community wellbeing. Based on my past fieldwork at the Pesantren (traditional Islamic boarding school) Al-Muayyad Windan and Forum for Peace across Religions and Groups in Surakarta, this discussion aims to answer questions faced by Indonesian pesantren in their efforts to strengthen faith community resilience; what does it takes to be a resilient community? how can pesantren and other faith based organization contribute to achieve this common goal? How does pesantren prepare its santri to live in a diverse society? More specifically, we will further discuss the role of Surakartan faith based actors in promoting Javanese local wisdom as an approach to sustain religious harmony in Surakarta.

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