Institute for Policy Research and Advocacy (ELSAM) is an Indonesian NGO. It was established in August 1993 in Jakarta as a policy advocacy organisation. ELSAM has committed itself and hopes to develop a democratic political order in Indonesia by empowering civil society through advocacy and promoting human rights. It seeks to actively develop, promote and protect civil and political rights and other human rights. ELSAM's vision is to progress Indonesia into a democratic country and enable a just society that has a respect for human rights.

ELSAM's work consists of:

1. Elimination of human rights violations - which includes addressing past human rights violations through joint continuous activities with other organisations.

2. Reinforcement of human rights protection - from the threats of market fundamentalism, religious fundamentalism and communalism in its various forms.

3. Develop ELSAM - as a credible, accountable and sustainable human rights resource center.

ELSAM’s main activities include: policy and law research; research on human rights issues and impacts; human rights advocacy; human rights education and training; publication and dissemination of human rights information.

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