

BETWEEN LEGALITIES AND HUMANITIES IN REFUGEE  
POLICY: A COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF INDONESIA  
AND HUNGARY EXIT STRATEGY REFUGEE CRISIS

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This study compared Indonesia's and Hungary's legal and humanitarian approaches to managing the 2015–2022 refugee crisis, as well as formulating an exit strategy for Indonesia's refugee handling. The existing strategy is critical because of the maximum detention duration mentioned in Indonesia Immigration Law No.6/2011, Article 85, paragraph 2 which is 10 (ten) years, without further legal basis to handle them. This study employs a qualitative approach, with comparative literature analysis as the research method. It was discovered that Hungary prioritized the legal solutions, whose execution can result in significant human rights violations but successfully decreasing the number of asylum seekers, whereas Indonesia prioritized the humanitarian aspect resulting in a more positive impact on refugees but a rapid increase in the number of asylum seekers. It concluded with recommendations for Indonesia to conduct comparative legal research with Hungarian asylum law in order to develop more effective refugee policies that address both legal and political concerns. This research contributes to a better knowledge of refugee management in Indonesia and Hungary, as well as lessons for other nations dealing with refugee crises.

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