

Preface

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This volume is the outcome of the 1997/1998 Joint Research Project between the Institute of Developing Economies (IDE) and Indonesian scholars, entitled "Industrial Analysis in Indonesia (II) : Changing Industrial Structure and Corporate Strategy". This is the second outcome of a two-year series of an attempt to present an in-depth industry-wide analysis of the manufacturing industry in Indonesia, covering five industries. Last year's volume, co-edited with Mari Pangestu, has already been published with the title, "Waves of Change in Indonesia's Manufacturing Industry" by IDE. This year's volume is the tenth of a series by the Project in Indonesia, and the forty-seventh publication of the Joint Studies on Economic Development Policies in ASEAN and Neighboring Countries, which have been conducted by the IDE since 1988.

At present, Indonesia is in the midst of an economic crisis. When we published last year's volume in March 1997, no one could forecast that the value of the Rupiah would depreciate to a quarter of its existing value after one year and that the Indonesian economy would fall into decline in such a short period. In the situation of deepening crisis, the members of this Project, prominent researchers with much experience in industrial analysis, have also been involved in extraordinary changes in their respective professions. However, despite these adverse circumstances, every member has firmly and steadily completed their study and analysis on the respective industries. I am deeply indebted to them for their valuable contributions.

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