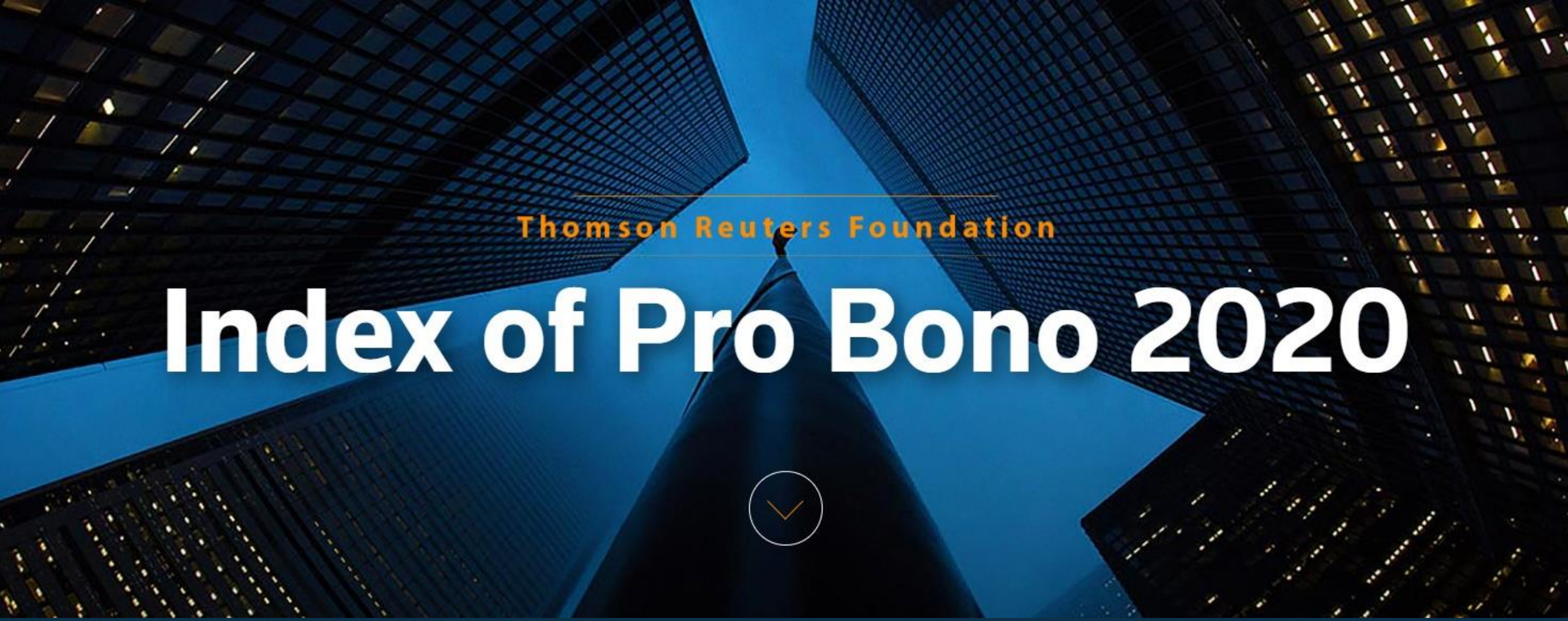

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91	215	3,957,865	150,519
JURISDICTIONS	LAW FIRMS	PRO BONO HOURS	LAWYERS

WHY DO PRO BONO?

PERCENTAGE OF RESPONDENT FIRMS WHO INDICATED THEY OFFER PRO BONO SERVICES FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

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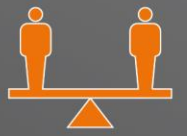
WHAT ISSUES ARE PRO BONO LAWYERS ADDRESSING?

65%

ACCESS TO JUSTICE

43%



HUMAN RIGHTS

43%

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, MICROFINANCE

40%

EDUCATION, TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT

PRO BONO INFRASTRUCTURE

ALL THREE OR ANY ELEMENT OF PRO BONO INFRASTRUCTURE

87% | Firms with any element of pro bono infrastructure

11% | Firms with all elements of pro bono infrastructure

1. Coordinator
2. Committee
3. Policy

	2014	2016	2020
No. of participating firms	32	50	151
No. of participating countries	15	15	20
No. of pro bono hours/fee earner	12	24.2	20.02
Average of hours by individual partners on pro bono	8.9	13.40	17.42
% of fee earners doing 10+ hours of pro bono	20%	31%	32%

Average hours	2016	2020
Australia	40.8*	25.16
Bangladesh	-	39.4
Hong Kong	8.5	18.4
India	4.5*	12.18
Indonesia	-	12.45
Japan	11.9	29.72
Singapore	14.4*	22.69
South Korea	25.8*	13.95
Thailand	17.2	53.08
Vietnam	8.4*	9.22

*Cannot be directly compared due to the samples in each year being significantly distinct