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HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY RECTOR HOSTS GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO DISCUSS TRI DHARMA COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES

The Rector of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Prof. Dr. Ir. Jamaluddin Jompa, M.Sc., (Prof. JJ) warmly welcomed the German Ambassador to Indonesia, Her Excellency (HE) Ina Lepel. The visit took place in the Rector's Room on Thursday, January 26th 2023. The Vice-Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Business, Prof. Dr. Eng. Ir. Adi Maulana, ST., M.Phil, and several representatives of the German Embassy to Indonesia, also attended the meeting. On this occasion, the Rector of UNHAS and the German Ambassador discussed many partnership opportunities, especially with respect to the Tri Dharma of Higher Education (Education, Research, and Community Service) and the development of the UNHAS Hospital.

Prof. JJ expressed his excitement at having the German Embassy visit UNHAS. He gave an overview of many of the UNHAS achievements. He said that UNHAS, as a university, is committed to sustainable quality improvement in various fields. As the leading state university in Eastern Indonesia, and with various achievements not only, Prof. JJ said that different strategic steps continue to be optimized, one of which is by expanding partnerships with many parties to have an impact on improving the quality of graduates and the benefits of UNHAS for the community.

In reply, HE Ina Lepel expressed her appreciation for the achievements attained by UNHAS. She also talked about bilateral relations between Indonesia and Germany, including in the field of education. Ina Lepel said that one purpose of the visit was to observe first-hand the collaborative projects that the UNHAS Hospital had carried out with Germany. She also explained that, since the Covid-19 pandemic, Germany has had a stronger focus on environmental-friendly projects.











The University of St Andrews, Scotland and the Ophthalmology and Internal Medicine Department of Hasanuddin University **Hospital Discuss Prospective Research Collaboration**



The Rector of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Prof. Jamaluddin Jompa (colloquially known as Prof JJ), welcomed John Ellis, MD, FRCO, Ph.D. and Obaid Kousha, MD, FRCO, researchers from the University of St Andrews and the University of Dundee in Scotland on Tuesday 24th January 2023.

The UNHAS Hospital Ophthalmology Department and Mr. Ellis have been collaborating for several years, but so far only on research and seminars. This year they plan to develop the collaboration to broaden areas. The meeting, held in the Rector's Office, was attended by a research team from the Ophthalmology and Internal Medicine Department of Hasanuddin University, as well as the Executive Director and the Education, Training, Research, and Human Resources Director of the UNHAS Hospital.

On this occasion, Prof. JJ highlighted the need for research collaboration with various universities to strengthen and deepen innovation, and the resulting products. He expressed his hope that this relationship can last a long time and provide benefits to UNHAS, St. Andrews University, and Dundee University.

Researchers from St Andrews and UNHAS will focus on diabetes issues, as Indonesia is ranked 3rd in Southeast Asia for diabetes cases. Mr. Ellis and Mr. Kousha introduced cutting-edge technology that can detect diabetes or hypertension symptoms by observing the eyes. This device has been proven fit for use in the United Kingdom.

Furthermore, Dr. dr. Habibah, a researcher from the Ophthalmology Department, explained their current research collaboration with St Andrews. Up to now, they have only been scrutinizing diabetes patients at hospitals.

It was found that more than 20% of patients never knew they had diabetes. For this reason, the research collaboration will expand from hospital-based research to pusat kesehatan masyarakat (puskesmas) or community health centre-based research. The puskesmas is the first place people go to when they are ill. Therefore, the puskesmas is an ideal place to explore the earliest stage of diabetes symptoms.

The collaborative research with the Department of Ophthalmology and the Department of Internal Medicine at the Faculty of Medicine has been implemented since 16th January. It will end on 5th February 2023.







Hopefully, the research will run well and provide benefit to the community. UNHAS is happy to provide the necessary support and assistance to optimize the research carried out. -Prof JJ

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UNHAS INTERNATIONAL OFFICE TEAM VISITS INDONESIAN UNIVERSITY OF EDUCATION (UPI) BANDUNG



As a part of improving the quality of the Kemitraan Negara Berkembang (KNB) scholarship management, UNHAS International Office (IO) team visited the Indonesian University of Education, known as UPI, in Bandung City, West Java on Friday 27th January 2023. The team was welcomed personally by , Prof. Ahmad Bukhori Muslim, Ph.D. the Director of the UPI International Affairs Directorate. The UNHAS IO team learned a lot about KNB scholarship management. Prof. Abu emphasized that managing KNB students requires serious care and attention, as from the beginning UPI experienced several challenges in KNB management, such as some students withdrawing after two years of study. Another challenge was that undergraduate programs at UPI were not yet ready to welcome their new students. Therefore, UPI decided to only accept postgraduate students.

The reception ceremony was held on the 3rd floor of the UPI University Center Building. The UNHAS IO team, represented by Muhammad Ridwan, the Secretary of UNHAS International Office, Rafika Ramli an IO Task Force member and Andi Afifah Fayyadah, S.I.kom, an apprentice staff member, also shared their one-year experience with managing KNB students accepted in 2021. Ridwan explained that UNHAS has been a member of the host universities managing KNB students since 2021, and now has three KNB students, namely, Anwar Muneer majoring in Informatic Engineering, Kanchul Louis, majoring in Law and Andrea Sofia majoring in Marine Science.

Before the end of the meeting, Ridwan presented UNHAS merchandise to Prof. Abu. Tuszie Widhiyanti, Ph.D of the International Program Development Section and Fachru Ridha, S.S., the Admission Staff continued the discussion about KNB management. In order to build harmony among universities in Bandung, UPI was part of a consortium embracing public and private universities. This consortium aims to strengthen the relationship with other universities hosting international students. The consortium has held several activities like friendly futsal matches and Saturday meetings at each university. Ridwan expressed his appreciation regarding the actions that can be taken to avoid students' feeling bored.

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FACULTY OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY SUBMITS MEDIA KESEHATAN MASYARAKAT INDONESIA JOURNAL FOR SCOPUS INDEXING



The Faculty of Public Health (FKM) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), through the editorial team of the Media Kesehatan Masyarakat Indonesia (MKMI) Journal led by Dr. Ida Leida, SKM., MKM., M.Sc.PH, as Editor in chief and the Rector of UNHAS, Prof. Jamaluddin Jompa (Prof. JJ) submitted the journal for Scopus indexing. The submission ceremony was conducted in the Rector's room on Tuesday, 24th January 2023.

At the start of the activity, Dr. Ida Leida explained the long journey of the MKMI journal and the preparation process to be indexed by Scopus. She said MKMI has existed since June 1999 and became the first journal under Paradigma.

"After going through a long process, it changed its name to MKMI journal and obtained an ISSN from LIPI in 2004-2015. In addition, it obtained national accreditation from the Ministry of Education and Culture. Thank you for the support and assistance provided by the Publication Management Center (PMC) and UNHAS leaders for developing the MKMI journal," Dr. Ida Leida said.

The Rector of UNHAS, Prof. JJ, took the occasion to express his appreciation for the efforts of the MKMI Journal editorial team, who have kept on improving the processes needed for submitting to become a Scopus-indexed journal. He said this was definitely not easy, but the journal submission process was running very well, thanks to good collaboration.

"Currently, we are not focusing on the number of journals, but on their quality instead. UNHAS is trying to fix this on an ongoing basis through PMC assistance. We hope that in the future, the quality of UNHAS journals will be better and become one of the academic information media for UNHAS academics in particular and the broader community in general", said Prof. JJ.

In general, MKMI Journal is a publication that has the potential to become Scopus-indexed. So far, MKMI Journal has always been able to maintain quality standards and has been accredited by the Indonesian Journal Indexation system with a grade of Science and Technology Index 2 (Sinta-2).













INTERNATIONAL OFFICE OF HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY ACCOMPANIES A RESEARCH TEAM FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY



The International Office of Hasanuddin University (IO UNHAS) was pleased to host a group of esteemed Australian professors, including Prof Peri Tobias, Ph.D and Jacob Downs, Ph.D from the University of Sydney, for a one-week research program. Accompanied by student volunteer Tashfeen, the team visited the Mars Cocoa Research Center located in Pangkep, near Makassar.

Their purpose was to examine various plants and collect a sample of a cocoa leaf with a disease, a task that proved to be challenging due to the well-maintained farm. However, with persistence and hard work, they succeeded in collecting the samples they needed, which were then processed in the Hasanuddin University Labs before being sent to Australia for further research.

To make our guest's stay more enjoyable, we arranged various cultural tours and activities. The team had the opportunity to explore the city and visit the beautiful Rammang Rammang, a heavily visited tourist spot known for its natural beauty. IO UNHAS is honoured to be part of this international collaboration and looks forward to future opportunities for research and exchange programs.









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Everyone has a turning point in their life. It can happen suddenly or be caused by a significant event. Trying something new and challenging wasn't my style, but 2020 was my turning point. I had a new goal and the courage to try everything I was scared to do. So I signed up for IISMA 2021 and got accepted into the University of Sussex in Brighton, United Kingdom.

Studying English Literature in Sussex taught me that I know little about myself. Literary works tell a lot about people and their cultures, so it was a once-in-a-lifetime experience to directly see and compare the differences between the two contrasting cultures. At the time, I realized how bizarre it was that I could understand my people deeper and clearer only after living far away from home. You can only see the complete picture once you stand far enough.

Just like the earth has 2-4 seasons in a year, we also have seasons. There will be a season for failures and triumphs; we can sit and wait for it or run and take it. Just like a scared little kid turned into a brave, adventurous youth, changes in your life will also come at a time you won't expect! Thank you, IISMA, for the life-changing experience!











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Working as a student volunteer in the international office has been a gratifying experience. I have had the opportunity to assist international students in navigating the challenges of studying in a new country and culture. I have also gained valuable skills in cross-cultural communication and problem-solving.

I am grateful for the opportunity to be a part of such a supportive and inclusive community. I look forward to continuing to work with and learn from my colleagues and the international students we serve.

Aside from being a Student Volunteer, I also actively engage in developing my leadership skills by being the President of the Hasanuddin English Debating Society (HEDS) UNHAS and continuing to be the Coordinator of Forbes (Joint Forum), which is an organization representing 35 clubs and communities (arts, sport, etc.) at the university level both on and off campus.

INTERNATIONAL OFFICE SUPER TEAM

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