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UNHAS AND THE AUSTRALIA-INDONESIA CENTER (AIC) LAUNCH THE PAIR LAB **INITIATIVE TO STRENGTHEN RESEARCH COLLABORATION**



Hasanuddin University, the Australia-Indonesia Centre (AIC), and the South Sulawesi Provincial Government have officially launched the PAIR (Partnership for Australia-Indonesia Research) Lab Initiative. The goal is to create long-term partnerships with policymakers, industry, and civil society that focus on the needs of the South Sulawesi region.

The Rector of Unhas, Prof. JJ said that the establishment of the PAIR Lab Initiative aims to bring research results closer to policy controllers, including industry, civil society, and the interests of the development of the South Sulawesi region. In its implementation, it is expected that it would involve not only the universities of both countries but also the policymakers, governments, communities, companies, and industries.

On the same occasion, the Executive Director of the Australia-Indonesia Center, Dr. Eugene Sebastian, expressed his gratitude for all the support and very strong participation from Hasanuddin University. AIC has a mission to advance relationships between individuals in the collaboration of science, research, technology, education, innovation, and culture PAIR Lab will collaborate in the fields of connectivity, commodities, and youth by utilising a network of national and international experts. The vision is to be at the vanguard in delivering international best practises directed at policies and in providing cutting-edge research in South Sulawesi and Eastern Indonesia.







PAIR SUMMIT 2022

UNHAS AND AIC HOLD A MEETING TO DISCUSS RESEARCH RESULTS IN SOUTH SULAWESI

Hasanuddin University, together with the Australia-Indonesia Center (AIC), the South Sulawesi Provincial Government, and 10 prominent Indonesian and Australian universities, held a meeting to discuss the results of research conducted in South Sulawesi. Through the PAIR (Partnership for Australia-Indonesia Research) Program, the research was conducted to encourage policymakers to make decisions based on facts.

The Rector of UNHAS, Prof. Jamaluddin Jompa, expressed his gratitude for the collaboration between Indonesian and Australian researchers in providing a solution to the problems of the people of South Sulawesi in various sectors based on research. He said that, in general, research collaboration through the PAIR programme was not merely a research forum for researchers but a platform to help the community solve problems.

Since 2019, the PAIR programme has conducted a number of applied research projects in South Sulawesi, including transportation, logistics, and supply chain management; seaweed commodities; young people and development; and young people, health, and welfare. The meeting took place starting at 09.00 CIT in Meeting Rooms A and B, 4th Floor of the Unhas Rectorate Building, Tamalanrea Campus, Makassar, on Monday (05/12). After giving opening remarks, the presentations of researchers related to the respective studies continued.





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PAIR SUMMIT 2022

TALKSHOW: CONNECTIVITY, PEOPLE, AND PLACE





After the launch of the PAIR Lab Initiative, the activity then continued with a Talkshow session entitled "Connectivity, People, and Place," which was divided into two sessions. The first session discussed PAIR's research recommendations in the fields of transportation, logistics, and supply chain management, as well as in the field of session seaweed commodities. The first panellists included Prof. Nyoman (Senior Fellow AIC, ITS), Dr. Syamsul Pasaribu (Associate Fellow AIC, IPB), Ir. H. Suardi Saleh, M.Si., (Regent of Barru), Andi Amanna Gappa (Head of the South Sulawesi Railway Management Center), and Dr. Muhammad Ilyas (Head of the South Sulawesi Maritime and Fisheries Service).

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PAIR SUMMIT 2022

INTERNATIONAL MINI SYMPOSIUM UNHAS - PAIR AIC 2022

As part of Pair Summit 2022, the Graduate School. in partnership with the International Office and Faculty of Public Health at Hasanuddin University, conducted а mini symposium on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at Prof. Fachruddin Hall, Graduate School. The symposium presented several speakers Australian from and Indonesian universities, including, the University of Melbourne, the University of Western Australia, IPB University, and Hasanuddin University.

The first speaker from Melbourne. Associate Professor Wolfram Dressler. delivered a topic on "Understanding the Livelihoods and Aspirations of Young People in the Context of Agrarian Change and Development in Maros District, South Sulawesi". Dr. Hoi Minh Chu from the University of Western Australia discussed childhood immunisation and adeappropriate vaccinations in Indonesia. Dr. Syamsul Pasaribu (IPB University, Bogor) shared his knowledge on "The Role of Seaweed Farming on Coastal Livelihood Transformation and Sustainability in South Sulawesi", As the host, UNHAS chose Professor Muhammad Isran Ramli to present the topic of "Maximizing the Effectiveness of the South Sulawesi Rail Line".







International Seminar by an Inbound Student from the School of International Training (SIT) Study Abroad, Part of the 62nd Anniversary of the Faculty of Cultural Science



The Faculty of Cultural Sciences conducted a dissemination of the exchange programme activities of the School of International Training (SIT) Study Abroad student, Ella Staat. The independent study project was held for 3 weeks, from November 14 to December 2, 2022. The dissemination was a seminar about the results of Ella's independent study project on Bissu in Segeri, Pangkajene, and the Islands Regency, South Sulawesi. The activity was held on Monday, December 5, 2022, with the theme "Bugis Conception of Gender and the Bissu Tradition in Segeri, Pangkep." Ella Staat discussed Bissu as the fifth gender in Bugis culture. During the week, Ella attended the Matteddu Arajang, Mappalesso Arajang, Mallekke Wae, Ma'Dewata, and Maggiri rituals and interviewed the local Bissu. Based on the interviews, Ella explained the origin of Bissu in Segeri. In ancient times, Bissu was the only one who managed to cut down a tree that would be made into a boat for the king's son. When asked who he was, the Bissu explained that he was neither a man nor a woman. Since then, the Bissu were called to live in the palace by the king and served as advisors, protectors, and performers at religious ceremonies to communicate with the Almighty.

Bissu plays an important role in cultural preservation. As time goes by, Bissu faces challenges in the modern era. Bissu no longer receives incentives and has to find other jobs to support their daily income. In addition, the younger generation is less interested in becoming Bissu. Not only explaining Bissu and the challenges of being Bissu, Ella also explained the things that could be done to maintain the existence of Bissu as cultural agents. Through Ella, the Head of Village Community Empowerment Office, Ir. Djajang Andi Abbas, ST, MT, IPU explained the plan to build a museum by Puang Matoa and the declaration of the Bissu historical village. In addition, Bissu also needs attention from both the community and the government.







INTERNATIONAL GEOPHYSICS STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM (IGSEP) 2022



The Department of Geophysics has completed the implementation of one of the internationalization activities at the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences. The International Geophysics Student Exchange Program (IGSEP) 2022, was conducted from December 6 to 10, 2022. This activity aims to pioneer international collaboration in the implementation of the tri dharma of higher education (education, research, and community services). There were 4 students from Malaysia, specifically 1 student from Universiti Malaya Malaysia and 3 students from Universiti Malaysia Sabah, who participated in the program. In addition, several representatives of geophysics student organizations from UNHAS are also involved in this program.

In the morning session of IGSEP 2022, academics were scheduled to visit the BMKG (Meteorological, Climatological, and Geophysical Agency) Region 4 Makassar, the Paotere Maritime Meteorological Station, and the Gowa Geophysical Station. Then, in the afternoon, they shared information about their research, how they were learning, and what they were doing with their student organizations. Furthermore, the event included a presentation session on the tectonic setting of South Sulawesi by Dr. Ir. Muh. Altin Massinai, M.T.Surv., and earthquake behaviour by Dr. Muhammad Taufiq Rafie, M.T.Surv.

At the end of the activity, IGSEP 2022 participants visited Leang-Leang to see the oldest painting in the world in the Maros Pangkep Geopark environment and traveled to Bantimurung National Park. To add to the scientific repertoire, the tectonic process related to the Maros Pangkep Karst area was explained by Muh. Fawzy Ismullah, S.Si., M.T. This activity was supported and sponsored by the International Office (KUI) of Hasanuddin University. Hopefully, this programme can become an annual programme for the Department of Geophysics.











The Faculty of Agriculture of UNHAS holds a public lecture on waste management and signs a Memorandum of Agreement with Kasetsart University in Thailand

The Faculty of Agriculture met with the delegation of the Faculty of Agroindustry, Kasetsart University, Thailand. The visit was in order to discuss joint partnerships and sign the Memorandum of Agreement between the two parties. The leaders of UNHAS highly appreciated the willingness of Kasetsart University to build cooperation related to the exchange of students, lecturers, research cooperation, and publications.

After the MoA signing ceremony, this activity was continued with a public lecture delivered by a lecturer from Kasetsart University. This public lecture presented by Asst. Prof. Nuttakan from Kasetsart University was entitled "Waste FOGs and Fatberg: Can anaerobic digestion help?". This activity was attended by academics from the UNHAS Faculty of Agriculture. This activity is expected to broaden the horizons of academics so that they can produce ideas that can later be used as research topics.

