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## THE 6TH INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL PROGRAM (ICP) 2023: OPENING CEREMONY



The International Cultural Program (ICP) officially started on June 15, 2023. The opening ceremony was conducted at the hall of the Institute for Research and Community Service (Lembaga Penelitian dan Pengabdian Masyarakat). In the beginning the Head of the Committee, Jamaludin Fitrah Alam, Ph.D. presented a brief report of the ICP and followed by a remark from the Head of the International Office, Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D. Last, a welcome statement from UNHAS Secretary, Prof. Sumbangan Baja, M.Phil. and he also officially opened the event.

In his report, Jamaluddin Fitrah Alam, Ph.D. explained that this year, the big theme of the ICP remains the same as the previous years, namely "Maritime Culture in South Sulawesi." In addition, Mr. Jamal also reported that the number of participants this year increased. The total number of participants was 47 from 22 participating countries. He also explained that the ICP consisted of a classroom lecture and a field trip to the *Pusat Pendidikan Lingkungan Hidup* (PPLH) or Center of Environmental Education in Puntondo, Takalar. The participants observed the maritime community in the area.

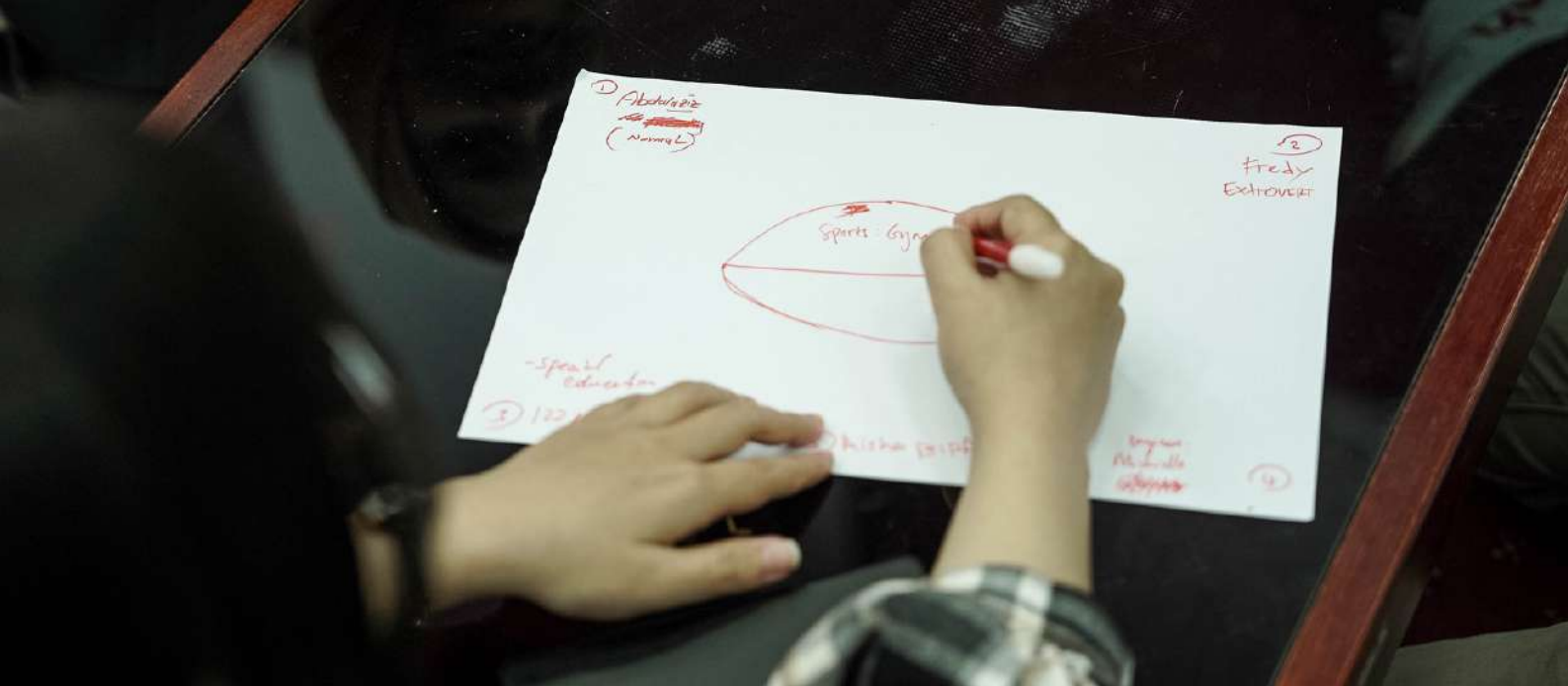
Meanwhile, Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D. explained that ICP is an International Office (IO) of the UNHAS annual program that aims to bring participating students around the globe to immerse in the South Sulawesi maritime culture. She hoped that the participants focused and concentrated on learning more about this culture, which could strengthen their understanding of South Sulawesi. She also explained that this year, ICP was also participated by La Trobe University (LTU) students, primarily from Nursing Study Program.

In his opening speech, Prof. Sumbangan Baja said, “We are delighted to have such a diverse group of students joining us, representing different countries, cultures, and backgrounds. Your presence enriches our academic community and creates a vibrant tapestry of ideas, perspectives, and experiences. Together, we form a global family committed to learning, understanding, and forging lasting connections.”

Moreover, Prof. Sumbangan continued, “As we embark on this exciting journey together, it is essential to recognize the significance of this program. It goes beyond mere academic pursuits; it is an opportunity for personal growth, fostering intercultural competency, and embracing the values of inclusivity and empathy. By engaging with one another, we gain a deeper understanding of our shared humanity and appreciate the unique contributions each of us brings to the table.”

After the opening, the participants joined the classroom lecture discussing what maritime cultures and had campus tours.





## **THE COFFEE RESEARCHERS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS USA VISIT THE FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE, UNHAS.**



To initiate research collaboration in the focus area of coffee and build cooperation in the academic field, the research team from the University of California, Davis (UC Davis) conducted field visits to four universities in Indonesia *Institut Pertanian Bogor* (IPB) University, Gajah Mada University (UGM), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), and University of Jember (Unej) from June 3-13, 2023. The UC Davis research team consists of Prof. Tonya Kuhl (Department of Chemical Engineering), Prof. William Ristenpart (Department of Chemical Engineering and Director of UC Davis Coffee Center), and Dr. Irwin Donis-Gonzalez (Cooperative Extension in Postharvest Engineering).

This visit aims to: prepare a coffee research field station in Indonesia. Offer the UC Davis program related to scientific and technical aspects of coffee for university students in Indonesia, open opportunities for UC Davis students to study post-harvest and coffee production directly in Indonesia, strengthen the recruitment of Indonesian students for the UC Davis postgraduate program and prepare a pipeline for the 3+2 program in chemical engineering.

The UC Davis research team arrived in Makassar on June 10 2023, then to Tana Toraja on June 11 2023. The UC Davis research team conducted public lectures at the Faculty of Agriculture, Hasanuddin University, which were opened and closed by The Dean of Faculty of Agriculture, Prof. Salengke. In this public lecture, Prof. William Ristenpart presented the physical and chemical changes in coffee during the roasting process, Prof. Tonya Kuhl presented the thermal processing of the espresso process, and Dr. Irwin Donis-Gonzalez presented about mass flow (rate and mass balance in the post-harvest process). The public lecture was attended by staff and Directorate General of Higher Education, the Ministry of Education and Culture, Prof. M. Faiz Syaib as well as around 300 participants consisting of teaching staff and students from various study programs in the Faculty of Agriculture Unhas. During this visit, souvenirs were given from the Unhas academy community.



## **UNHAS TEAM WON A GOLD MEDAL IN THE 2023 NATIONAL UNIVERSITY DEBATING CHAMPIONSHIP (NUDC) HELD IN SULTAN AGUNG TIRTAYASA UNIVERSITY, BANTEN**



This year marks the 17th edition of the National University Debating Championship (NUDC) since its inception in 2009, as well as the first held offline after three previous editions were held online due to the pandemic. NUDC is one of the most prestigious debating competitions held by the Ministry of Higher Education, Research, and Innovation (along with Kompetisi Debat Mahasiswa Indonesia). Only 114 of the approximately 500 teams that registered to participate in NUDC were eligible to compete in the national stage. UNHAS qualified for the national stage after finishing second in Region 6 qualifiers. This year's team included debaters Muhammad Hafizh Hawari (International Relations, 2021) and Maria Rieke Angeliqa Taneh (French Literature, 2022), as well as institutional judge Muhammad Yudhi Styra (Public Health, 2021). They are all active members of Hasanuddin University's English Debating Society.

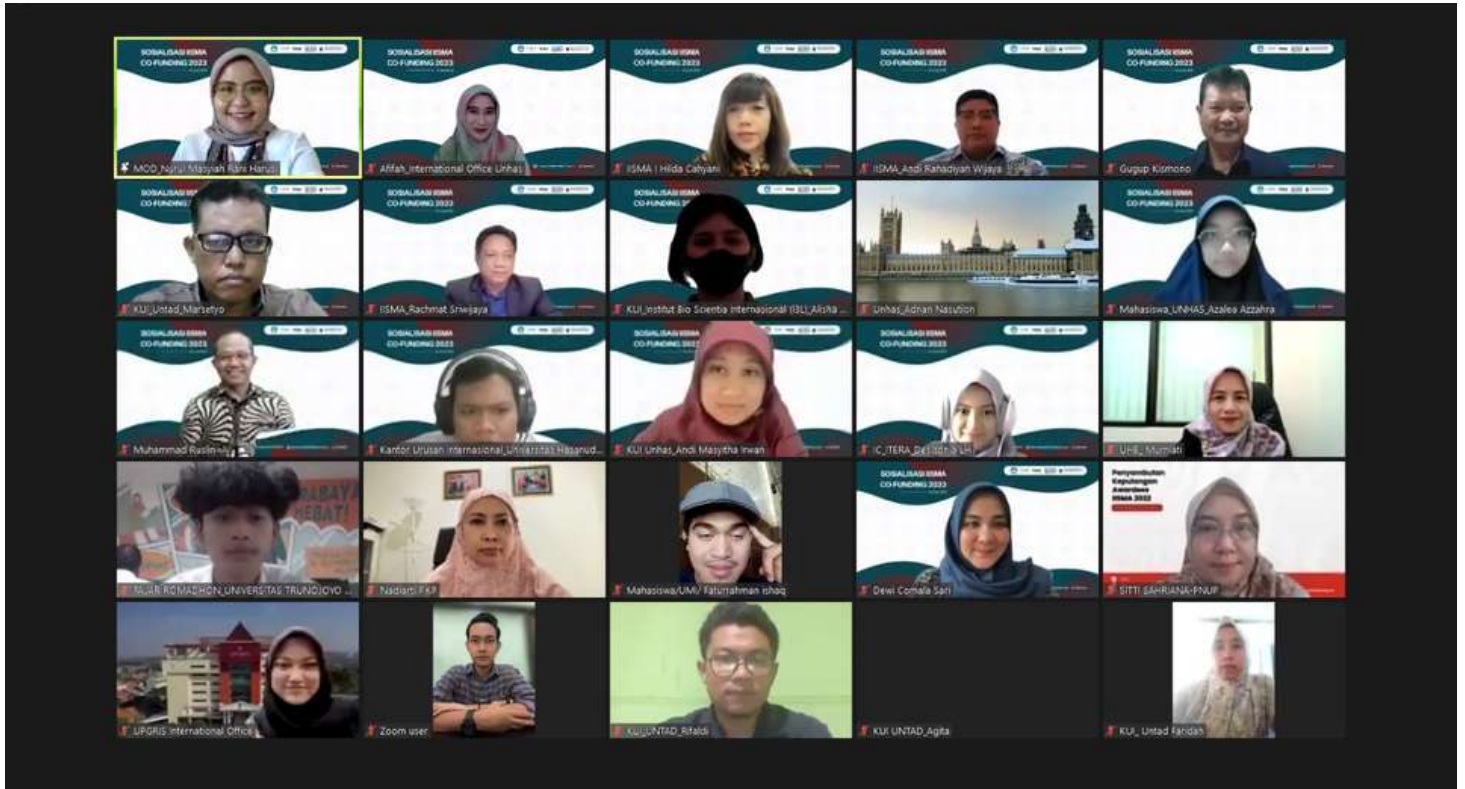
For this year's NUDC, all teams must compete in 7 mandatory preliminary rounds, and those ranked within the top 48 advance to the Double Octofinals (an additional 2 mandatory rounds). All teams must debate topics ranging from modernizing traditional folklore to regretting the establishment of the African Continental Trade Area throughout the rounds. After completing all nine rounds, UNHAS NUDC Team finished 11th out of 114 teams and advanced to the Octofinal Round (Top 32). The team stunned the room by defeating a higher seeded team (#6 Universitas Airlangga) in the Octofinals and advancing to the Quarterfinals. Despite delivering of their best speeches throughout the tournament, the team was eliminated in the quarterfinals after losing in a split decision (2-3) to a favorite (#3 Universitas Telkom).

Maria received the Top Novice Speakers award (awarded a Gold) at the awards ceremony, and Yudhi received the Top 15 Most Aspiring Judge award. This is Universitas Hasanuddin's first Gold Medal in NUDC history. Muhammad Hafizh set a tournament record with an 85 in Round 8 (the highest individual score achieved during the preliminary rounds). Given the team's promising showing at this year's NUDC, the Student Affairs Team and the English Debating Society at UNHAS plan to announce details about next year's team selection in the near future.





## **INTERNATIONAL OFFICE UNHAS HOSTS IISMA CO-FOUNDING SOCIALIZATION**



As part of giving more access for Indonesian students mobility to study at the leading universities abroad, Indonesian International Student Mobility Association (IISMA) launched its new scheme called IISMA co-funding. The socialization was hosted by the International Office of Hasanuddin University (IO UNHAS) through online mode on June 14 2023 at 10.00 am Central Indonesia Time. The program was officially opened by Prof. drg. Muhammad Ruslin, M.Kes.,PhD.,Sp.BM (K), Vice Rector for Academic and Student affairs and followed by explanation of IISMA Co-funding from vice coordinator of IISMA Program, Andi Rahadiyan Wijaya, PhD. The program was attended by almost 100 participants from all over Indonesia consisting of students, faculty members and international office representatives.

IISMA co-funding scheme general rules are basically the same with general IISMA funding. The only difference is the funding scheme where students have to pay living allowance, settling allowance, local transportation and health insurance during their study period which range from four to six months abroad. Registration and tuition fee for studying at IISMA university partners are covered by IISMA.

This year, Unhas has 12 IISMA awardees who are now preparing to study abroad in the near future. With this IISMA Co-funding opportunity, hopefully more UNHAS students get the chance to be exposed to the global academic atmosphere and experience the abundant benefit of studying abroad.

# SOSIALISASI IISMA CO-FUNDING 2023

14 June, 2023



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Meeting controls including mute, video, chat, and participant list.





## **FACULTY OF MEDICINE HOLDS A VISITING LECTURER FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, UC DAVIS**



The visiting lecturer by Prof Benjamin Gregg was held at the Amiruddin Auditorium FK UNHAS on June 12 2023. Prof. Benjamin Gregg is Professor of Social & Politics at the University of Texas, Austin USA. His areas of knowledge include bioethics, philosophy, sociology, and has conducted extensive research in the field of human rights. Prof. Gregg has written numbers of books and publications in international journals, one of his famous books includes "Thick Moralities, Thin Politics (Duke, 2003) and Constructing Human Nature: The Political Challenges of Genetic Engineering (2022).

The event was attended by the Vice Dean for Academic and Student Affairs, FK Unhas, dr. Agussalim Bukhari, M.Clin.Nut, Ph.D,Sp.GK (K) and remarks were given by the Head of the Center for Publication, Community Service and International Affairs, Dr.dr.Rina Masadah, M.Phil, SpPA(K). According to Dr. Rina Masadah, this topic was very interesting because advances in technology in the health sector were of course related to many aspects of ethics. The visiting lecture was also attended by lecturers, residents, and general medical students at the FK UNHAS who enthusiastically took part in the material entitled "Could there be a human right to freedom from genetic disability?" .

## **UNHAS SECRETARY WELCOMES THE STATE ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY OF MAULANA MALIK IBRAHIM MALANG BENCHMARKING DELEGATES**



On Tuesday, June 13, 2023, Prof. Sumbangan Baja, M.Phil (the UNHAS Secretary) welcomed the delegates of State Islamic University of Maulana Malik Ibrahim, popularly known as Universitas Islam Negeri (UIN) Maliki of Malang. The welcome session took place at Meeting Room A 4th floor of Rectorate Building. UIN Maliki delegates consisted of around ten people. Meanwhile, from UNHAS side, the ones present were Prof. Rohani Ambo Rappe, (Head of UNHAS Reputation Improvement), Prof. Dahlang Tahir (Head of Publication Management Center), Dr. Mahatma, the International Office representative, Muhammad Ridwan, M.A., and other staff.

In his remark, Prof. Sumbangan Baja explained the working mechanism that had been going on in the university. He continued with appreciation to the UIN Maliki Malang benchmarking team for coming to visit UNHAS. The type of effort is a part of sharing between two university best practices. Prof. Sumbangan Baja also explained the existence of one division called UNHAS International Enhancement Reputation led by Prof. Rohani Ambo Upe.

In her presentation, Prof. Rohani mentioned the status of UNHAS now as an autonomous university. As a result, the budget given by the central government was reduced to 10%. In addition, Prof. Rohani stated that by subject, UNHAS currently in the top 300 in the world. This subject is represented by agriculture. She continued with UNHAS achievements in the world university ranking as well as Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Award from the Indonesian government and many others.

The presentation continued with Prof. Dahlang Tahir, the head of Publication Management Center (PMC). In his explanation, Prof. Dahlang said that UNHAS implemented regulations regarding the publications done by the academic staff. In terms of article processing charge (APC), UNHAS will support 40 millions Rupiah for the article published in Q1 journal. When the article was published, UNHAS again would reward the academic staff up to 30 millions Rupiah.

The benchmarking team continued with visiting the UNHAS International Office (IO). The team was welcomed by the IO Secretary, Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. and other staff. The team observed the office beginning from front desk to the back office. The Secretary explained the job function of IO staff and showed several publications such as monthly newsletter, module of Bahasa Indonesia as well as International Students Handbook.



## **FACULTY OF MARINE SCIENCES AND FISHERIES HOLDS PUBLIC LECTURE DISCUSSING AQUACULTURE AND CHALLENGES**



The Faculty of Marine Science and Fisheries (FKP) Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) held a public lecture on aquaculture issues and challenges. The activity which is a series of Aquaculture Inbound Students as a result of the International collaboration of the University of Malaysia Terengganu (UMT) and Sarawak University of Technology Mara (UiTM) took place in the FIKP Meeting Room, Wednesday, June 14, 2023.

Present as a guest speaker were Dr. Khor Wai Ho (Institute of Tropical Aquaculture and Fisheries UMT) and Dr. Sharifah Raina bint Manaf (UiTM). The activity was officially opened by the Vice Dean for Partnership, Research and Innovation FIKP, Dr. Ahmad Faizal ST., M.Si, and started with a welcoming event for Inbound Student participants from the University of Malaysia Terengganu (UMT) and Mara Technology University (UiTM) totaling 23 participants consisting of master and doctoral program students, lecturers and staff.

The following event was the UNHAS introduction by the International Office (IO) of UNHAS presented by Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. (IO Secretary). Dr. Khor Wai Ho, who was one of the speakers, generally gave an overview of crustaceans with the material title "Sexual dimorphism in mud crabs and the case of zombie crabs". He explained his material in great detail regarding the impact caused by the parasite when it infects mangrove crabs (*Scylla* sp.), some of which are changes in behavior, sex changes, and other abnormal morphological characteristics.

"An infection caused by this parasite also causes *Scylla* sp. experience difficulties in the process of molting which ultimately interfere with its development. Another concern regarding the presence of parasites on *Scylla* sp. From a naked eye, they look like eggs on female crabs, so it is quite difficult to distinguish whether the crabs are infected with parasites or are just laying eggs," explained Dr. Khor. Furthermore, he added in detail about the dangers of this parasite on *Scylla* sp., but so far there have been no reports about the impact it has on humans who consume it.

Dr. Sharifah Raina binti Manaf as the second speaker discussed the case of the pathogen *Aeromonas hydrophila* which infected African Catfish (*Clarias gariepinus*) farming and also explained prevention using a biotechnology approach.



## **FACULTY OF PUBLIC HEALTH HOLDS THE GUEST LECTURE FROM THE KYOTO UNIVERSITY, JAPAN**



This hybrid event held offline in the hall of Prof. Nur Nasry Noor and online via the Zoom platform on Thursday, June, 15, 2023, aimed to broaden horizons and increase collaboration between Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) and Kyoto University in the fields of education and research specifically in Public Health. The event began with the opening remarks by the Dean of Public Health Faculty, Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM, M.Kes, M.Sc.PH, Ph.D. In his remarks, he hoped that this could benefit all participants, as well as develop the potential collaboration between the two institutions.

The lecture was presented by Assistant Professor of The Center for Coexistence of Southeast Asian Studies Department at Kyoto University, Chika Yamada, PHN, Ph.D. Chika Yamada discussed how human activities can affect the global climate and also the results of research on the behavior of cooling efforts such as the use of air conditioners and fans in a country with tropical rainforest climate, such as Indonesia.

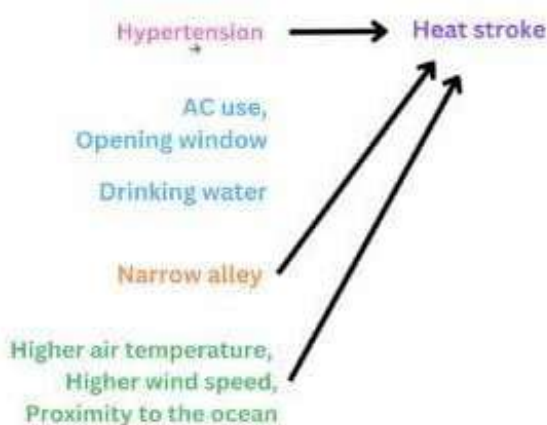


In the discussion session, participants who attended guest lectures either in the hall or via zoom meeting, had the opportunity to ask questions and discuss with the presenter. The guest lecture participants consisted of lecturers and undergraduate, masters and doctoral students from the Faculty of Public Health.

The guest lecture ended with a closing statement by the moderator and giving the certificate of appreciation to Chika Yamada, PHN, Ph.D for the knowledge and insights that she shared. This guest lecture was expected to increase the awareness of all participants on the threat of the climate crisis, and also be the first step for next collaboration between UNHAS and Kyoto University in exchanging knowledge and experience in the field of public health, as well as various other collaborations.



	Odds ratio	p
Age (in years)	0.99	0.143
Sex		
Male	1.15	0.542
Female	Ref.	
Body Mass Index (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	1.02	0.435
Diabetes	18.06	0.981
Hypertension	2.01	0.013 *
Cardiovascular disease	1.31	0.720
High physical activity for job	0.08	0.098
Inaccessibility to drinking water (4 levels)	1.31	0.152
Avr. air temperature (°C)	1.59	0.023 *
Avr. wind speed (m/s)	5.84	0.036 *
Avr. solar radiation (kJ/m <sup>2</sup> /day)	1.00	0.440
Avr. precipitation (mm)	1.01	0.056
Proximity to the ocean	10.03	0.031 *
Road width		
One-person	9.97	0.055
One-motor-cycle	1.26	0.078
One-car	1.24	0.062
Two-car	1.38	0.054
Main street	Ref.	
Duration of open windows (hours/day)	0.99	0.490
Ownership of AC	1.03	0.909
(Intercept)	0.00	0.050



## **FACULTY OF FORESTRY VISITS THE UiTM, MALAYSIA**



In order to achieve a position as a world class university, Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) sees the importance of building and strengthening collaboration with various domestic and foreign partners. Mara Technology University (UiTM) is one of the universities that has carried out a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen various aspects, especially in the academic and research fields.

The initiation of a collaboration between the Faculty of Forestry, Hasanuddin University and the Faculty of Applied Science, Universiti Teknologi Mara as a follow-up to the MoU was carried out on 06 June 2023 in Kuala Lumpur. At the meeting, the Unhas delegation was led by the Dean of the Faculty of Forestry, Dr. A. Mujetahid M., S.Hut. MP., accompanied by Vice Dean for Academic and Student Affairs Syahidah, S.Hut., M.Sc., Ph.D; Vice Dean for Partnership, Research and Innovation Dr. Ir. Astuti Arif, S. Hut., M.Sc., IPU.; and Head of Quality Assurance and Reputation Improvement Dr. Ir. Andi Sadapotto, MP.; while the UiTM party was led directly by the Dean of the Faculty of Applied Science Prof. Dr. Faridah Zuraina Mohd Yusof, accompanied by the Vice Dean and Head of Department. The initiation of this collaboration was facilitated by UiTM staff Prof. Madya Dr. Seca Gandaseca.

At the meeting, several points of agreement would be implemented such as student and staff mobility, join international seminar/conference, visiting lecturer, guest lecture and research collaborations & join publications.



# Perpustakaan Tun Abdul Razak (PTAR)





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