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WALLACEA SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM TO HONOUR THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF ALFRED RUSSEL WALLACE'S BIRTH



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), in collaboration with the *Akademi Ilmu Pengetahuan Indonesia* or Indonesian Academy of Sciences (AIPI), held Wallacea Science Symposium at UNHAS Hotel and Convention on August 13-15, 2023. The symposium was conducted to commemorate the 200 years of Wallace in Indonesia as well as his contribution to biodiversity. This three-days event was attended by scientists, historians, artists, researchers, students, and the public.

On the first day, 13 August, the participants visited the historical site where Alfred Russel Wallace used to live in Maros, South Sulawesi. The second day was the symposium, and the third was the plenary session. The exciting thing about this event was the exhibition. The photos of biodiversity and the history of Wallacea were displayed. Riza Marlon, a prominent photographer from National Geographic Indonesia, attended the symposium and talked about his experience photographing nature and wildlife.

On this occasion, Prof. Daniel, The Head of *Akademi Ilmu Pengetahuan Indonesia* (AIPI) or Indonesian Academy of Sciences, started the conversation by congratulating Prof. Jamaluddin Jompa and UNHAS for the very memorable opening of the event. "With the support of the local government and the private sector, UNHAS was able to organize this event, something much better than before," said Prof. Daniel. Furthermore, Prof. Daniel also expressed his appreciation to the *Dana Ilmu Pengetahuan Indonesia* or Indonesian Science Fund (DIPI), the *Akademi Ilmuwan Muda Indonesia* or the Indonesian Academy of Young Scientists (ALMI) for attending the event.

He also believes that the collaboration between DIPI, ALMI, and AIPI can help young talents throughout the archipelago. "If we find unique and interesting young talents, then it's time for us to support their abilities fully," added the President of AIPI. Prof. Daniel said that Wallace's inspirational story, whose name still exists today, proves how important science is for everyone. The Mayor of Makassar hosted the dinner party to welcome all the distinguished guests to Makassar and also to show his support for science development.





THE VICE RECTOR FOR PARTNERSHIP, INNOVATION, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND BUSINESS OF UNHAS SENDS-OFF 13 STUDENTS TO JOIN THE SELF LEARNING PROGRAM BY SIX UNIVERSITY INDONESIA-JAPAN INITIATIVES IN JAPAN

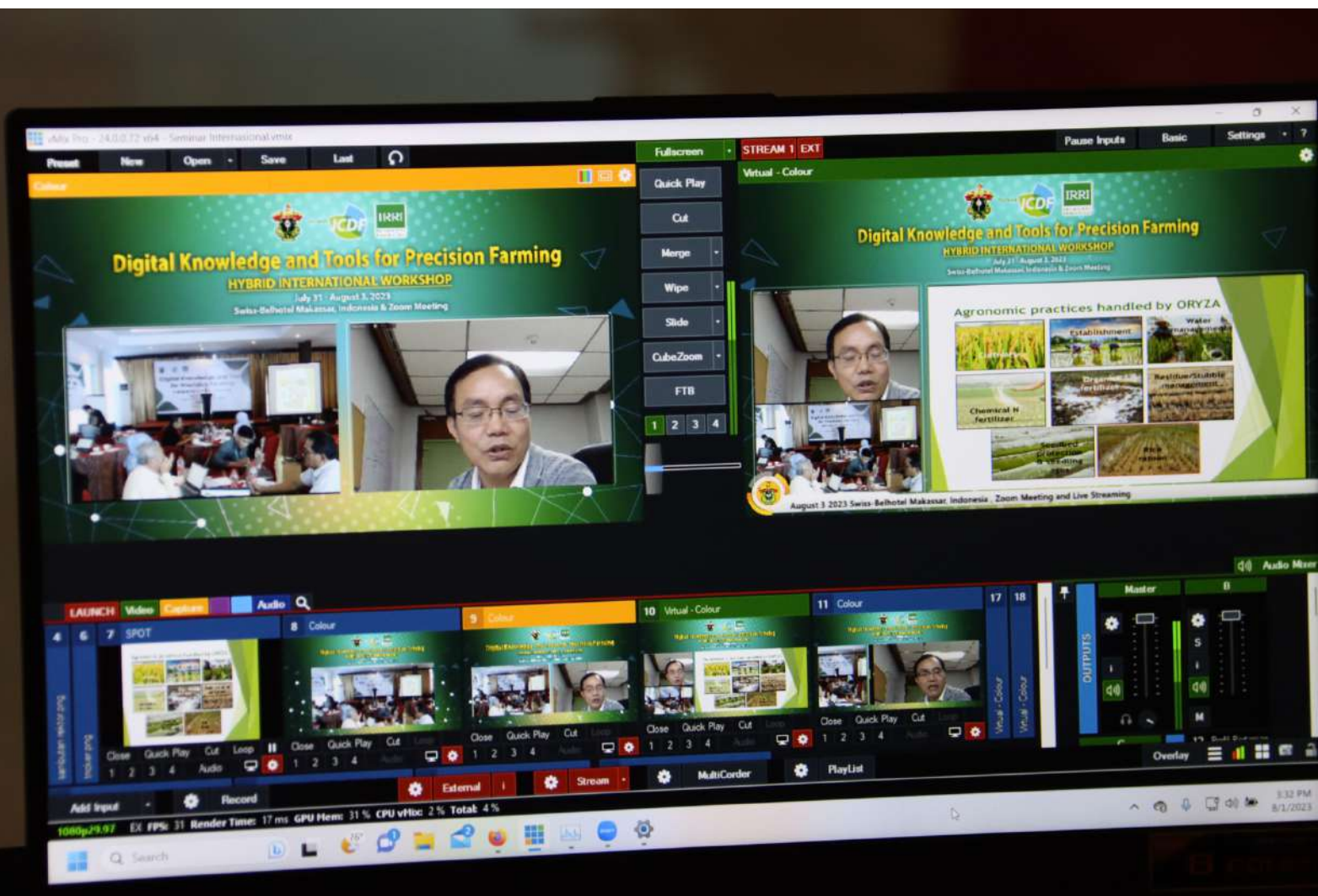


The Vice Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Business, Prof. Dr. Eng. Adi Maulana, ST., M.Phil. sent off 13 students to participate in the Self Learning Program (SLP) by Six University Indonesia-Japan Initiative (SUIJI). The send-off ceremony occurred at Vice Rector 4's meeting room on August 11, 2023. The Coordinator of the SUIJI Promotion Office, Prof Dr. Ir. D. Agnes Rampisela, M.Sc, also attended the ceremony. These 13 students would be studying at Ehime University, Kochi University, and Kadawa University in Japan.

In his remark, Prof. Adi emphasized four critical points to UNHAS-SUIJI delegates. Those points were learning academic culture found during their participation in their host university. Their learning experiences might benefit the students' individuals, building academic and nonacademic networks. The participants should be aware of building networks with the people they meet in the program, and developing self-confidence. Participating in such a program requires courage and bravery. Therefore, the participants should develop their self-confidence. As a result, other prospective students might be attracted to their performances during the post-program in UNHAS.

The SUIJI program started on August 20 - September 2, 2023. Sayonara!

HYBRID INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP OF DIGITAL KNOWLEDGE AND TOOLS FOR PRECISION FARMING



Faculty of Agriculture Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), in cooperation with Taiwan International Cooperation and Development Fund (Taiwan ICDF), The Consortium of International Agricultural Research Center (CGIAR), and International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), organised a hybrid international workshop of digital knowledge and tools for precision farming. The workshop was conducted on July 31– 3, 2023, with an audience consisting of ISCDF rice seed project coordinators, academia from Unhas and other universities, the Center for Meteorology South Sulawesi, the Department of Plantation South Sulawesi, and the Indonesian Cereals Research Institute. Around 50 participants attended the workshop.

Participants learned about the use of digital knowledge and tools for precision farming. The course exposed how digital technologies create efficiencies in the agriculture value chain. By examining the different components in the value chain, inefficiencies can be identified, and this becomes the starting point for applying digital knowledge and precision farming tools.

The workshop aimed to provide an overview of available digital knowledge and tools for precision farming in relation to the rice value chain, its advantages and potential for maximising benefits for researchers, rice farmers, producers, and consumers.

Key modules consisted of overview of digital agriculture, available technologies and their application in the rice value chain (e.g. WeRise, ORYZA, RCM, RiceDoctor, RKB, etc), data collection and data processing, use of digital agriculture tools in collecting farmer and field information for decision making (big data and analytics), integrating digital knowledge and precision farming tools/scaling technology, and way forward: possible partnerships, collaborations, engagements (action plan) and integration.





FACULTY OF PUBLIC HEALTH UNHAS INVITES WORLD HEALTHY CITIES EXPERT FROM SOUTH KOREA



Postgraduate Program, Faculty of Public Health (FKM), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), held an Introduction to Campus Life for New Students of Postgraduate Program on 18 August 2023 at Graduate School UNHAS. This is part of the student's orientation which is usually called *Pengenalan Kehidupan Kampus bagi Mahasiswa Baru (PKKMB)* or Introduction to Campus Life for New Students in the faculty.

This year's PKKMB activities carry a different concept; besides introducing faculties and study programs, it is also integrated with Guest Lecture. The lecture was presented by one of the world experts on Healthy Cities who came directly from South Korea, Prof. Eun Woo Nam, MPH., Ph.D. Prof Nam also serves as Dean of the Graduate School of Health Sciences at Yonsei University. Prof. Nam explained the "Healthy Aging in Korea: Social Prescribing Model" material. He explained that increasing life expectancy could be done by developing the concept of a healthy city through a social prescribing approach, as was done in South Korea. The Social Prescribing Approach implemented in South Korea includes, among others, social activities for the elders, such as gardening, listening to music, storytelling, etc. In South Korea, life expectancy has increased, namely 85 for women and 80 for men.

The new students enthusiastically attended the Guest Lecture session. It could be seen from the many questions asked in the discussion session moderated by Ruslan, SKM., MPH. The Dean of FKM UNHAS, Prof. Sukri, also gave his response regarding the topic of the guest lecture given by Prof. Nam. "The topic of healthy aging is one of the issues in global health that must be anticipated in the context of the health care system for the elderly in Indonesia, considering the population group of elderly in Indonesia in the next 2-3 decades predicted that the composition of our population will be larger (the population pyramid is upside down) as life expectancy increases."



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN THE 78TH INDONESIA'S INDEPENDENCE DAY CEREMONY



Celebrating the 78th Indonesia's Independence Day on August 17, 2023, Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) held the flag hoisting ceremony at the basketball court Center of Students Activity, UNHAS Campus Tamalanrea. The ceremony was attended by UNHAS academic community; lecturers, staff, and students. The ceremony started at 7.30 a.m. Central Indonesia Time (CIT).

This ceremony was seen as the most historic, as this year's ceremony was attended by international students studying at Unhas for the first time. They were from Bangladesh, Pakistan, Nigeria, Palestine, Jordan, Sudan, Yemen, Ethiopia, Saudi Arabia, etc. The Rector of UNHAS, Prof. Jamaluddin Jompa, M.Sc., popularly known as Prof. JJ greeted the international students participating in this ceremony.

Our international students showed their excitement at being greeted by the Rector. They felt honoured and recognised as a part of UNHAS' big family. The international students joining the ceremony came with their national costumes, especially from Nigeria, Jordan, Sudan, and Saudi Arabia. The ceremony ended and left a memorable story among the students.



INTERNATIONAL OFFICE HOLDS INTERVIEW SESSION FOR STUDENTS VOLUNTEER BATCH 2



As the Student Volunteers (Stuvo) Batch 1's services ended in August 2023, the International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) held open recruitment from July until August 2023. There were around 80 applicants who managed to register theirs on the link of the application. After reviewing the documents, the IO decided to proceed with the applicants to the interview phase held on August 17, 2023, at the office. Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D. (Head of IO), led the interviewers. Other interviewers were Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. (Secretary of IO), Rafika Nurul Hamdani Ramli, LLM (IO task Force), and Kumara Tungga Dewa, M.Hum (IO Admin Staff).

The Head of International Office, Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D. said that the interview session focused on reviewing applicants' motivation, strength, and commitment to the office. The IO learned a lot from Stuvo Batch #1. They bonded with each other intensely and became engaged volunteers. At this moment, the Head of IO conveyed her gratitude and appreciation to the first batch, who contributed and shared a high commitment during their one year of service. Moreover, Mrs. Irwan expected to welcome such committed volunteers, as shown by the previous batch.



UNHAS LANGUAGE SERVICE CONDUCTS CULTURAL INTRODUCTION TO FOREIGN STUDENTS



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) Language Service conducted cultural introduction activities for international students studying Indonesian at UNHAS on Sunday, August 13, 2023. Eight students from various countries, including Gambia, Nigeria, Yemen, and Syria, participated in the activity. With *Bahasa Indonesia untuk Penutur Asing* (BIPA) or Indonesian Language for Foreign Speakers staff and teachers, international students were invited to get to know Losari Beach, Makassar, and Phinisi boats.

This activity was not only expected to develop international students' interest in learning and loving the Indonesian language. More than that, they were expected to be able to absorb cultural knowledge while in Indonesia, especially in Makassar.

Dr. Herawaty, M.Hum., M.A., Ph.D. as the Head of Language Services, UNHAS, with the Secretary, who is also the coordinator of BIPA, Dr. Inriati Lewa, M.Hum, also attended to accompany and explain the icons of Makassar city and the Bugis-Makassar ancestral culture to international students. The expressions of joy on the faces of international students could be seen while introducing South Sulawesi culture.



INTERNATIONAL OFFICE PARTICIPATES ON THE 2023 UNHAS DAY



The 2023 UNHAS Day (UD) came again. Organized by the Directorate of Academic and Students Affairs, UNHAS, the International Office (IO) was invited to participate. This was the second year the IO participated in the event. The UD was a part of welcoming UNHAS new students and introducing students unions and clubs. This UD was held at *Gedung Olahraga* (GOR) or UNHAS Sports Center on August 19, 2023, from 7.30 am-4 pm Central Indonesia Time (CIT), which was divided into three sessions due to the increased number of UNHAS new students.

The IO booth showed the functions of the office, its international students, and partnership in numbers as well as abundant documentation of the IO program activities starting from the International Cultural Program (ICP), Geography Series (GS), Facilitating public lectures, guest lectures, visiting lecturers coming from various backgrounds such as the foreign presidential and ministerial office, ambassadors of foreign countries to Indonesia as well as professors from the world-class universities that are in partners with UNHAS.

Furthermore, the IO booth's presence of its international students made it more attractive. The international students attending the event were from Jordan, Palestine, Sudan, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Gambia, Ethiopia, and Yemen. Many news students asked to take pictures with them.



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