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THE RECTOR MESSAGE

Dear colleagues,

I am delighted to bring you a dive into our May Newsletter. In this issue, we offer various conferences, guest lectures, and public discussions. We proudly present our top-notch students who represented UNHAS in international events and won awards. What is more, our lecturer was invited to discuss corruption issues at the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, USA. The Vice-Rector for Academic and Student Affairs was a speaker at the 27th Malaysian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (MAOMS) Annual Scientific Meeting Presidential Symposium. You will fly to visit our international student's country in our Geography Series, which this May is Honduras! If, at the moment, you can't physically see countries abroad or you want to know more about other's countries, you can visit their 'corners' at our main library. In this edition, you can see Germany, Mandarin, and Korean corners. Last, we will introduce you to some international students from different countries.



JAMALUDDIN JOMPA





NAFSA Exhibition:

The Rector of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Prof Jamaluddin Jompa, commonly known as Prof. JJ, led the delegation to participate in the 75 National Association of Foreign Student Advisers (NAFSA) held in the United States, Washington DC capital from 30 May 30 to 2 June 2023. The other delegates were Prof. Adi Maulana, M.Phil (Vice-Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Business), and Dr. Ansariadi (Director of Partnership). NAFSA is an annual event and is considered a globally significant conference and educational expo. The NAFSA was predicted to be attended by approximately 10000 people from 160 countries.

In his remarks, Prof JJ said: "Here in NAFSA, big universities worldwide got together to share their university strengths and promote their universities. This NAFSA is not only about conferences but also exhibitions, and UNHAS is among 13 universities from Indonesia that came mostly with their university leaders. Therefore, UNHAS would optimize the momentum of these 3-4 days to strengthen networks and cooperation with existing partners and build networking and collaboration with new prospective university partners."

On the sidelines of the NAFSA event, Prof. JJ and his delegation visited the Indonesian Embassy in DC. The visit was welcomed by the Indonesian Attaché of Agriculture, Mr. Danang Budi Santoso, and some staff, and greeted by the Ambassador, Mr. Rosan Perkasa Roeslani. Prof JJ introduced the newly established holding company of UNHAS, PT HADIN METAVISI AKADEMIKA, to the Indonesian Attaché of Agriculture, Mr. Danang, who expressed his interest in UNHAS's new policy as an autonomous university to be more financially independent by establishing a holding company. He was more than ready to support PT. HADIN by promoting some agricultural products from UNHAS to companies in the USA, and hoped PT. HADIN would enter the US market. UNHAS will be invited to participate in many business exhibitions and initiatives in the USA.



Prof Adi Maulana, the Vice-Rector in charge of the holding company, said that it was a privilege for UNHAS to be supported in promoting the UNHAS product, especially the existence of PT. HADIN. "The business and entrepreneurship atmosphere at UNHAS is developing, and we are starting to become a real autonomous university by entering the market. This is an excellent opportunity for UNHAS to deal with stakeholders in the US, the country with world's largest economy." He concluded that support from the Indonesian Embassy in Washington is paramount to UNHAS to become globalized and internationally recognized as an entrepreneurial university.

UNHAS Showcase

At the 2023 NAFSA Meeting, UNHAS hosted a special lunch session at the UNHAS Showcase event at the Marriott Marquis Hotel Washington DC, USA, on 31 May 2023, as a side-event of the NAFSA 2023 event. The lunch session was attended by more than 40 university delegates from around the world representing several continents. A semi-formal packed lunch was served in the Howard University room, Marriott, from 12.00 - 02.00 Washington time. Prof. Adi Maulana said that this special lunch session was held to introduce UNHAS to several potential partners from various universities worldwide and to discuss the forms of collaboration between Unhas and other universities face-to-face.

At the opening of the lunch session, all participants watched a two 2-minute profile video of UNHAS, which showed UNHAS' achievements in various fields. All participants stated that they were pleased and ready to collaborate with UNHAS. This was followed by detailed discussions regarding the concepts and schemes for collaboration in research, teaching, and community service. Several parties even stated directly that they were ready to sign a cooperation MoU and were prepared to carry out further implementation.

With the success of this lunch session, attended by more than 40 university representatives from various parts of the world, UNHAS showed its credentials as a World Class University that is ready to go global. As a result, more universities and other parties know about Unhas with all its potential.







UNHAS at the University of Rhode island (URI)

On 2 June 2023, after attending the 75 NAFSA event in Washington DC, USA, the Rector of UNHAS, Prof. JJ, accompanied by Vice Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Business, Prof. Adi Maulana and Director of Partnership, Ansariadi Ph.D, visited the University of Rhode Island (URI) USA. Rhode Island is located on the east coast, directly facing the Atlantic Ocean. URI is the largest public university in Rhode Island and has a very well-known Faculty of Marine Science and Engineering.

URI was first established in 1892. Geographical conditions on the east coast of America made URI one of the leading universities in the world in the field of maritime affairs. One of URI's campuses is located on the beach and is also used as a Marine Center equipped with a special pier and sophisticated research vessels. This research facility was built a long time ago and collaborates with federal government research institutions in its operations. The UNHAS team visited the Material Science Lab at the Faculty of Engineering for cooperation in opening the Metallurgical and Materials Engineering Department at Unhas. Several facilities such as XRF, SEM, Raman microscopy and Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS) can be used for research with UNHAS. URI also agreed to accept UNHAS teaching staff for further master's and Doctoral studies.

The group was invited to see the environment around the campus which was very beautiful with well-organized buildings, a combination of traditional Gothic style buildings and modern buildings. After that, Prof JJ and the UNHAS team were welcomed in person by the president of URI, Prof. Marc Parlenge, who visited UNHAS in early 2023.

The visit ended with lunch at the URI library center followed by a planning session on the implementation of cooperation between URI and UNHAS in the maritime and environmental fields. Some collaborative research was agreed upon at this meeting.





UNHAS AND UNIVERSIDADE DE LISBOA PORTUGAL SIGN COOPERATION IN THE TRI DHARMA FIELDS



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) and Universidade de Lisboa Portugal signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for collaboration in the scope of the Tri Dharma pillars (education, research, and community service). The agreement was signed by the Rector of UNHAS, Prof. Dr. Ir. Jamaluddin Jompa, M.Sc., colloquially known as Prof. JJ, and the Rector of the Universidade de Lisboa, Luís Ferreira.

The MoU was signed virtually during a Zoom meeting on Wednesday, 3 May 2023. The meeting was also attended by the Indonesian Ambassador to Portugal, H.E. Rudy Alfonso, and the Portuguese Ambassador to Indonesia, H.E. Maria Cardoso. In addition, those accompanying the Rector of UNHAS included the Vice-Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Business, Prof. Dr. Eng. Adi Maulana, S.T., M.Phil., the Vice-Rector for Academic and Student Affairs, Prof. drg. Muhammad Ruslin, M.Kes., Ph.D., Sp.BM(K), and several other UNHAS leaders.

Starting the conversation between the leaders of the two universities, UNHAS Rector, Prof. JJ expressed his gratitude for the collaboration and trust given for synergizing and encouraging the strengthening of higher education Tri-Dharma – The Three Pillars of Higher Education, through various strategic steps that both parties can carry out. In addition, Prof JJ also provided an overview of multiple aspects of UNHAS to the Rector of Universidade de Lisboa.

"We believe that the collaboration conducted through the signing of this MoU can reinforce the present innovation in various Tri-Dharma activities through our resources." Moreover, "We express our high appreciation for the trust given to UNHAS. Hopefully, we can implement this collaboration together soon, " Prof. JJ said. On the same occasion, the Rector of the Universidade de Lisboa, Luis Ferreira, also expressed his gratitude and pleasure to be able to build collaboration with UNHAS and his hopes that Universidade de Lisboa and UNHAS can collaborate through various strategic steps.





RESEARCHERS FROM VARIOUS UNIVERSITIES JOIN THE CONFERENCE OF THE FACULTY OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY



The Faculty of Animal Husbandry, Hasanuddin University (FAPET UNHAS), held the 5th International Conference of Animal Science and Technology (ICAST5) conference with the theme "Moving towards Environmental Sustainability through Smart Livestock Systems", at UNHAS Hotel & Convention, Wednesday, 3 May 2023. It was recorded that 177 researchers from various institutions including: Badan Riset dan Inovasi Nasional (BRIN), or National Research and Innovation Board, and various universities in Indonesia participated in this conference. The 5th ICAST was officially opened by the Rector of UNHAS, represented by Prof. Adi Maulana, Vice-Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Business Development.

This conference presented keynote speakers Prof. Peiqiang Yu (University of Saskatchewan, Canada), Atsushi Asano, Ph.D. (Tsukuba University, Japan), Prof. Goran Andersson (Swedish University Agricultural Sciences, Sweden), Prof. Min Du (Washington State University, USA), Dr. Reza Abdul Jabbar (Dairy Farm Practitioner, New Zealand), Prof. Dr. Ir. Akhmad Sodiq, M.Sc.Agr. (Rector of Soedirman University), Abd. Latief Toleng, M. Sc (UNHAS), and Dr. Wendry Setiyadi Putranto, S.Pt., M. Si (Padjadjaran University).

The chair of the committee, Dr. Ir Agustina Abdullah, said that "the 5th conference meant that the national food sector was very crucial to be managed with an intelligent livestock system approach, where livestock refers to the use of technology and innovation. Starting from upstream to downstream to optimize results in quantity and quality and efficiency in using both human and natural resources. Besides, the conference encouraged academics and practitioners to publish and discuss matters related to environmental sustainability through the smart livestock system".

On another occasion, Dr. Syahdar Baba, S. Pt, MSi, as the Dean of the FAPET UNHAS, said that the implementation of ICAST5 was part of the momentum for the 58th Anniversary of the FAPET UNHAS. It is hoped that the FAPET UNHAS could make a more concrete and valuable contribution to livestock development, both nationally and internationally, not only in the form of increasing human resource capacity but also with regards to improving and applying livestock technology which can directly benefit farmers.







IMPROVING WORLD CLASS UNIVERSITY, HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY BENCHMARKING AT CAMPUSES IN MALAYSIA AND SINGAPORE

Benchmarking is an agenda programmed by the Reputation Center Improvement Unit, Hasanuddin University (UNHAS). This unit has previously participated in global university ranking agendas. Some of these rankings include Time Higher Education World University Ranking (THE WUR), Time Higher Education (THE) Impact Ranking, and Quacquarelli Symonds World University Ranking (QS WUR) Quacquarelli Symonds Asia University Ranking (QS AUR).

This year, UNHAS, represented by the Reputation Center Improvement Unit, Publication Management Center, and Information Systems and Digital Transformation Unit, visited Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Universiti Putra Malaysia, Universiti Malaya, National University of Singapore, James Cook University, and Nanyang Technological University.

All destination universities received UNHAS very well. Each university has also provided a strategy related to global ranking. The overall benchmarking program has been running very well. Exceeding expectations, UNHAS received many suggestions and opportunities for collaboration. This is undoubtedly a good opportunity for UNHAS to maximize performance at the global ranking level.





FACULTY OF MARINE SCIENCE AND FISHERIES UNHAS AND WAGENINGEN UNIVERSITY RESEARCH DISSEMINATE STUDIES ON SEAWEED CULTIVATION IN GENERAL LECTURE

The Faculty of Marine Science and Fisheries (FIKP) Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), held a general lecture on seaweed cultivation development in Takalar. This general lecture was a medium to disseminate the results of a joint study by FIKP UNHAS and Wageningen University Research (WUR) that started in 2019 and is planned to continue until 2025. This general lecture took place in the Lecture Room, FIKP Building, 2nd floor on 3 May 2023.

This activity was opened with remarks from the Dean of FIKP UNHAS, Safruddin, Ph.D. He said that South Sulawesi Province has great potential for seaweed cultivation and is currently a world center for seaweed. On the same occasion, Safruddin introduced study programs, laboratories and researchers at FIKP UNHAS. Safruddin hopes that the ongoing cooperation will go well and achieve the expected targets.

The general lecture was moderated by Dr. Rijal Idrus and presented three speakers from WUR, Dr. Pepijn van Oort, Dr. Han Soethoundt and Dr. Peter GM van Der Heijden. The first speaker, Dr. Pepijn talked about the Bio Economic Seaweed Model (BESeM) for modeling tropical seaweed cultivation in Takalar. He presented the results of research conducted in 2020-2021 Sanrobone, Takalar with two lecturers from FIKP UNHAS, Dr. Gunarto Latama and Dr. Nita Rukminasari. In his talk, he mentioned that BESeM can simulate the common tropical seaweed cultivation system with multiple harvests per year, clonal reproduction and labor intensive harvesting and replanting activities. Further, he mentioned that a simulation example suggests the model can be used to simulate optimum farm management for maximizing gross or net income.

The second speaker, Dr. Peter, talked about field schools. He said that his party has worked a lot as a consultant for seaweed cultivation in the Philippines and Indonesia, especially in counseling and capacity building for seaweed farmers through field schools. Peter explained further about developing the capacity of seaweed farmers by providing relatively new alternative methods with the target of increasing production and farmers' welfare.

The last speaker, Dr. Han, talked about the seaweed quality in South Sulawesi, especially Takalar. Dr. Han, who had previously done research in several locations in Sulawesi, such as Takalar, Pinrang, and Gorontalo, explained that the quality of seaweed seeds in Takalar Regency, South Sulawesi was quite good. However, in his presentation entitled "Can We Organize, Socially and Economically, Better Seeds for Seaweed Farmers in South Sulawesi?" he explained that seaweed cultivators in Indonesia generally do not pay much attention to the quality of the seeds used. On the contrary, what is seen as more important is how to produce a lot, even though farmers should pursue the quality of carrageenan from seaweed.

At the end of this public lecture, a question and answer session was opened which involved both offline and online participants. This activity went smoothly with the active participation of 150 participants.





UNHAS HOSTS A GENERAL LECTURE ON "PILGRIMAGE TOURISM" BY UNIVERSITY OF SZEGED, HUNGARY



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) held a general lecture by the University of Szeged under the title of "Pilgrimage Tourism". This general lecture was conducted in collaboration with the Tourism Destination Vocational Program, Undergraduate Tourism Study Program, and Master in Tourism Planning. The general lecture was held in the Faculty of Vocational Study Meeting Room on Wednesday 10 May 2023. The general lecture was also conducted in a hybrid mode, as the vocational students were mostly in Selayar Island.

The general lecture started with welcoming remarks by Prof. Sumbangan Baja, UNHAS Secretary. He explained the UNHAS initiative in establishing the tourism program in his speech. It all began with a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Regency of Selayar Island in 2021. UNHAS saw the potential of tourism in Selayar. Therefore, the program was established. In the first year, UNHAS welcomed 20 students, all based on the island. The following year, 25 students were accepted; some came from other islands in Indonesia, such as Sumatra and Java. Prof. Sumbangan continued his remarks by expressing the hope that the two universities will establish a collaboration on developing tourism programs.

After the opening remarks, Prof. Bertalan Pusztai, the Head of the Tourism and Catering Bachelor Program at the University of Szeged University, mainly explained pilgrimage tourism and provided examples from different religions like in Islam, a pilgrimage to Ka'bah in Mecca, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and other holy places of different faiths.





HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY AND THE WORLD BANK HOLD A PUBLIC DISCUSSION ABOUT ECONOMIC GROWTH AND TRANSFORMATION



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) through the Center for Development Policy of *Lembaga Penelitian dan Pengabdian Masyarakat* (LPPM) or the Institute of Research and Community Development, together with the World Bank (WB) and *Bursa Pengetahuan Kawasan Timur Indonesia* (BaKTI) or Eastern Indonesia Knowledge Exchange, held a public discussion entitled Dissemination Events of the Indonesia Economic Prospects with the topic of "Trade for Growth and Economics Transformation". The activity occurred in the Senate Meeting Room, UNHAS Tamalanrea Campus, on Wednesday, May 10, 2023.

This public discussion presented several speakers from the WB, namely Habib Rab (Lead Economist, World Bank Office Jakarta), Wael Mansour (Senior Economics at the Macroeconomics, Trade, and Investment Global Practice and Macroeconomics Cluster Lead World Bank Office Jakarta), Csilla Lakatos (Senior Economist at the Macroeconomics, Trade, and Investment Global Practice World Bank Office Jakarta), and Indira Maulani Hapsari (Senior Economist at the Macroeconomics Trade and Investment Unit World Bank Office Jakarta).

Starting the activity, the Secretary of the University, Prof. Sumbangan Baja, M.Phil, Ph.D., delivered remarks representing the Rector of UNHAS, said that the WB in Indonesia exists as a financial institution to maintain the stability of growth and long-term economic recovery through strategies and targets achievements for Indonesia in various sectors.

During this public discussion, Prof. Sumbangan expressed his gratitude and appreciation for the opportunity for UNHAS to provide a space for joint discussion in discussing various challenges the economic sector is facing, including in helping to improve the quality of education and supporting the government's efforts to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

"This forum is the best momentum for mutual discussion between researchers, the government, experts, and students to share their experiences regarding economic issues and policies to present the best solutions and strategies," said Prof. Sumbangan.

On the same occasion, Habib Rab (Lead Economist, World Bank Office Jakarta) gave a speech that, in general, focused on the realization of trade potential for Indonesia's economic development. Based on the WB Indonesia data report on economic conditions, Indonesia is projected to experience strong growth of 5.2 percent in 2022 thanks to the reopening of the economy after COVID-19, which is maintained at an average rate of 4.9%.

After these speeches, there was a lively public discussion session with the three speakers, also attended by Drs. Muhammad Yusri Zamhuri, MA., Ph.D., (Director of SDGs Center and Lecturer of FEB UNHAS) as a discussant. The session was moderated by Muhammad Irdam Ferdiansah SE, M.ACC., Ph.D., Ak., CA (Subdirectorate of Student Affairs, Directorate of Student Affairs and UNHAS Career Preparation, also a lecturer at the Faculty of Economic and Business (FEB), UNHAS). In general, the speakers discussed Indonesia's prospects for solid growth amid conditions of macroeconomic stability. The international trade system can be a pending driver in economic transformation and growth for Indonesia. The UNHAS public discussion with the WB and BaKTI went smoothly, with a discussion and question and answer session until 5 pm CIT.







FACULTY OF DENTISTRY UNHAS HOLDS GUEST LECTURE, PRESENTING FORENSIC ODONTOLOGY EXPERT FROM JAPAN



The Faculty of Dentistry (FKG) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) held a guest lecture presenting forensic odontology expert Prof. Masatsugu Hashimoto from the Department of Forensic Odontology and Forensic Anthropology, Tokyo Dental College, Japan. The activity occurred on Wednesday, May 3, 2023. Prof. Masatsugu Hashimoto presented material with the theme "The Importance of Forensic Odontology and Forensic Anthropology in Society."

The activity was officially opened by the Dean of FKG UNHAS, drg. Irfan Sugianto, M.Med.Ed., Ph.D. In his remarks, he expressed his gratitude and appreciation to the speakers who would share information, knowledge, and experience in their fields. "This year, we have held several guest lectures from various fields of science. This activity is a series of guest lecture activities that we routinely carry out to improve the quality of learning at FKG Unhas," said Drg. Irfan Sugianto.

"This activity is also one of the efforts by FKG UNHAS to increase the achievement of the Main Performance Index (IKU), especially related to foreign cooperation, and one of them is by holding this guest lecture," he continued. Furthermore, this activity would also improve relations with partner universities, especially Tokyo Dental College, Japan. He also explained that this activity was the first step in the collaborative process between FKG UNHAS and Tokyo Dental College, including joint research, staff exchange, and publications.

Furthermore, the presentation of material from Peter Sahelangi, drg., Sp.OF (K), DFM Senior Supt (Ret). After the speaker's presentation, the activity continued with a discussion and a question-and-answer session guided by moderator, the Vice Dean for Academic and Student Affairs FKG UNHAS, drg. Acing Habibie Mude, Ph.D., Sp.Pros. The activity was attended by lecturer staff, students, and the academic community of FKG UNHAS.



FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS UNHAS PRESENTS PUBLIC LECTURE AND INDONESIAN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MOBILITY (IISMA) MODULE SESSION BY UNIVERSITY OF SZEGED DELEGATES



On Wednesday, May 10, 2023, Dr. Peter Kovacs gave a guest lecture at the Senate Room of the Economy and Business Faculty (FEB), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS). Dr. Kovacs is an academician from the University of Szeged, Hungary. This guest lecture was a follow-up to the cooperation agreement between the two faculties discussed last year.

This guest lecture was attended by FEB lecturers and dozens of postgraduate students in various study programs at the FEB. The course was moderated by Daniella Cynthia Sampepajung, S.E., M.Sc. (FEB Lecturer), and attended by the Dean of FEB, Prof. Dr. Abdul Rahman Kadir. This guest lecture discussed "Implementing Civic Statistics in Business Education: Technology in Small and Large Classrooms." The guest lecture went very well with the lecturers and students actively responding to Dr. Kovacs' questions and asking questions in English.

Furthermore, in another room called Global Development Learning Network (GDLN) FEB, another University of Szeged representative, Dr. Pusztai-Varga Ildikó, also delivered a session for the IISMA module to FEB undergraduate students. The session was attended by dozens of undergraduate students in various FEB study programs, especially international class students. Hermita Arif, S.E., CiFP., M.Com moderated this session. This guest lecture discussed the Introduction to IISMA Module. The resource person explained how-to live-in Hungary and illustrated the courses that can be undertaken under the IISMA program. Fellow undergraduate students joining the session were enthusiastic and active. This could be seen during the question-and-answer session. Many of them raised their hands to pose questions to the speaker.

The event continued with lunch, and the University of Szeged delegations were expected to have a university-level meeting at the Rectorate building in the afternoon.





THE SECRETARY OF UNHAS WELCOMES THE AMBASSADOR OF BELGIUM



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) and the Kingdom of Belgium Embassy for Indonesia held a meeting to explore business and academic opportunities in several sectors. On this occasion, the Secretary of the University, Prof. Ir. Sumbangan Baja, M.Phil, Ph.D., received a visit led by the Belgian Ambassador to Indonesia, H.E. Frank Felix, and Trade and Investment Counselor, Mr. Christophe Van Overstraeten. The meeting took place in the Rector's Meeting Room on Monday, 29 May 2023. Other officials accompanying the Secretary of UNHAS were Dr. Sawedi Muhammad, M.Sc. (Head of the Secretariat Office), Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D and Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. (Head and Secretary of International Office) and Dr. Nadiarti Nurdin Kadir (Lecturer in Marine Sciences and Fisheries).

In his remarks, Prof. Sumbangan Baja said that UNHAS and Belgium have collaborated in various aspects, one of which is an academic and research collaboration from 2020 to 2025 between the Faculty of Forestry, UNHAS, Indonesia, and the Laboratory of Evolutionary Biology & Ecology, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium.

Furthermore, the Head of the International Office, Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D., explained that the collaboration between Universite Libre de Bruxelles, Evolutionary Biology and Ecology Laboratory and the Faculty of Forestry is a research collaboration on pests and termites in urban areas.

"This collaboration was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, after the pandemic, this collaboration was resumed by agreeing on a "Technical Urban Agreement of Mutual Benefits," which will be carried out by Dr. Denis Fournier, an expert in the evolution of life history traits in social insects, especially invasive ones, and Prof. Dr. Astuti Arif, whose expertise is in termites and ecology," explained Andi Masyitha. It was hoped that, through this interdisciplinary collaboration, various projects designed for pest and termite research could be successfully implemented and involve multiple elements among researchers and students to study and exchange knowledge, in order to produce collaborative research that can contribute to the development of science.

On the same occasion, the Ambassador appreciated the collaboration between UNHAS and Belgium. He hoped to significantly contribute to UNHAS, especially for students, to get the best educational facilities and maintain good relations between Indonesia and Belgium. Through these discussions, both parties hoped that various potential collaboration programs could be carried out, primarily through scholarship programs to provide learning opportunities and broader connection opportunities for students and lecturers to promote research and publications.





THE CONSULAR OFFICE OF JAPAN IN MAKASSAR VISITS THE JAPANESE DEPARTMENT OF HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY



On Wednesday, May 17, 2023, the Head of the Consular Office of Japan in Makassar, Ohashi Koichi, visited the Japanese Department of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS). The head and the secretary of the department, Fithyani Anwar, Ph.D., and Kasmawati, M.Hum, received this visit. Several lecturers and the Japanese Literature Student Association (Himaspa) representatives also attended the meeting.

Many things were discussed during the meeting, including the annual presentation in Japanese contest and a plan to invite Mr. Ohashi to give a public lecture at the department in June. Fithyani hopes that, in the future, holding this kind of public lecture by the head of Japan Consular Office can become routine because it is essential to open new insights for lecturers and students of the Japanese Department and other audiences at UNHAS.

In addition, they also discussed the possibility of cooperation in organizing Nippon Day, Japan's annual festival in Makassar. This festival has been held since 2016 and was temporarily postponed due to the pandemic. Coinciding with the 65th anniversary of Japan-Indonesia relations this year, Mr. Ohashi hoped that Nippon Day could be held again.

In discussion with the student representatives, Mr. Ohashi said that, through the Consular Office of Japan in Makassar, the Japanese Government supports student activities to introduce and disseminate Japanese culture in South Sulawesi. He also gave some input to students in implementing events, especially those related to Japan. Ohashi Koichi just started serving in Makassar on March 11, 2023, and Fithyani Anwar just started leading the Japanese Department on May 2, 2023, so this visit was also essential to start a good cooperation between the two parties.





JAPAN CORNER WELCOMES THE HEAD OF JAPAN CONSULAR OFFICE OF MAKASSAR



The Director of Japan Corner, Dr. Meta Sekar Puji Astuti, welcomed the Consular Officer of Japan in Makassar, Mr. Ohashi Koichi, at UNHAS Library on Wednesday, May 17, 2023. The welcome session was also attended by the International Office, represented by the Secretary, Muhammad Ridwan, M.A., the Head and Secretary of UNHAS Library, Dr. Fierenziana Junus, and Anshar Saud, M.Si., several lecturers, and students from the Japanese Department. This was the first time Mr. Koichi visited the corner.

It was such a warm welcome by the director of Japan Corner who explained the situation in the corner. One of the rooms the director took the consul to visit was the multimedia room. The director explained that students and visitors to the corner regularly organized video sessions. After watching, they would have discussions. This was a method of practicing their Japanese language skills.

The consul, Mr. Ohashi, expressed his gratitude and was thankful for this visit, as he was still new to the Makassar Office. Therefore, he was eager to know about and observe the existence of the corner. Dr. Meta explained that the existing book collections were from the Makassar Japan Club. Mr. Koichi was attracted to *Butsudan*, a cupboard for storing Japanese ashes. This collection is a grant and gift from the Maruki company, a well-known butsudan company in Japan that has a factory in Makassar. He was very impressed with the *Butsudan*, which is very luxurious and, according to him, is a rare and interesting collection that needs to be cared for.

Furthermore, Dr. Meta also mentioned that this collection is very interesting and can explain the symbolism of Japanese culture, especially those related to Buddhism, and also how Japanese people pay respect to their ancestors. Furthermore, Mr. Ohashi also expressed his willingness to support the Japan Corner in obtaining more facilities and continuing to carry out and expand their current activities. For example, to facilitate activities related to advancing Indonesia-Japan relations in the future.

The welcome session continued in the refreshment room. The Head of the Library provided some typical Makassar sweets and cakes, such as *barongko* (cake made from banana and covered by banana leaves), layer cake, fried bread with chocolate inside, etc. Mr. Ohashi enjoyed eating these sweets and impressed the director. The conversation then continued with Makassar cuisine that the Consular Officer had already eaten during his stay in Makassar since the day he arrived here. Dr. Meta looked forward to Ohashi's observations on the visit. The consul then left the room for another agenda. It was such a fruitful conversation that everybody was happy.







HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY WELCOMES JAPAN FISHERIES ASSOCIATION AND PT OS SELNAJAYA



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) welcomed a visit from the Japan Fisheries Association (JFA) and PT OS Selnajaya Indonesia, a company engaged in business and management consulting services as well as training and workforce placement services, on Wednesday 17 May 2023,. The purpose of the visit from JFA and PT. OS Selnajaya was to initiate cooperation with UNHAS in the field of workforce fulfillment in the fisheries sector in Japan.

At the meeting in the Rector's Office, the UNHAS Vice-Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Business, Prof. Adi Maulana, M. Phil., received the JFA representatives: Mr. Masashi Kigami (Director) and Mr. Masahiro Kai (Operation Division-Section Head), as well as PT. OS Selnajaya Indonesia representatives: Mr. Satoshi Miyajima (President Director), Mr. Takeshi Fujii (Global Strategy), and Ms. Nia Novita Sari (Global Strategy; Interpreter). This meeting was also attended by Muhammad Ilyas, Ph.D. (Head of the Department of Marine Affairs and Fisheries of South Sulawesi Province), Prof. Nasrum Massi (Head of the Institute for Research and Community Service), Safruddin, Ph.D. (Dean of the Faculty of Marine Science and Fisheries/FIKP), Asmi Citra Malina, Ph.D. (Director of Innovation and Intellectual Property), and lecturer staff of the FIKP.

During this meeting, the JFA and PT. OS Selnajaya Indonesia representatives mentioned that their organizations had held several workshops in Indonesia that involved stakeholders, including administering the Specified Skilled Workers (SSW) exam in the field of fisheries. The SSW is a new immigration policy from the Government of Japan that adds two new categories of visa status or residence status for foreign workers in Japan, namely skilled workers and expert workers. PT. OS Selnajaya hopes to be able to hold the SSW exam in Makassar, bearing in mind that the Province of South Sulawesi has great potential for human resources in the field of fisheries, by collaborating with UNHAS as an option for hosting the exam.

UNHAS welcomed the cooperative intention of this visit and hoped that, in the future, UNHAS would become a training center for workers who would become SSWs in the fisheries and marine sectors. Prof. Adi specifically appointed the FIKP as a faculty to discuss in more detail the technical implementation of the collaboration, which would be set forth in a memorandum of understanding (MoU).





RECTOR OF UNHAS WELCOMES UNIVERSITI TEKNIKAL MALAYSIA MELAKA (UTeM) DELEGATES



On May 15 2023, the Dean of the Faculty of Manufacture, Prof. Ir. Dr. Hambali and Dean of the Faculty of Information and Communication Technology, Associate Professor Ts. Dr. Mohd Sanusi, Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka (UTeM) visited Hasanuddin University (UNHAS). They were greeted directly by the Rector of Unhas Prof. Dr. Ir. Jamaluddin Jompa at Hasanuddin Tamalanrea University Campus. Other UNHAS officials joining the welcome session were the Director of Partnership, Dr. Ansariadi, the Head and Secretary of International Office, Dr. Andi Masyitha Irwan and Muhammad Ridwan, M,A., as well as representatives from Faculty of Engineering, Dr. Zulkifli Tahir and colleagues.

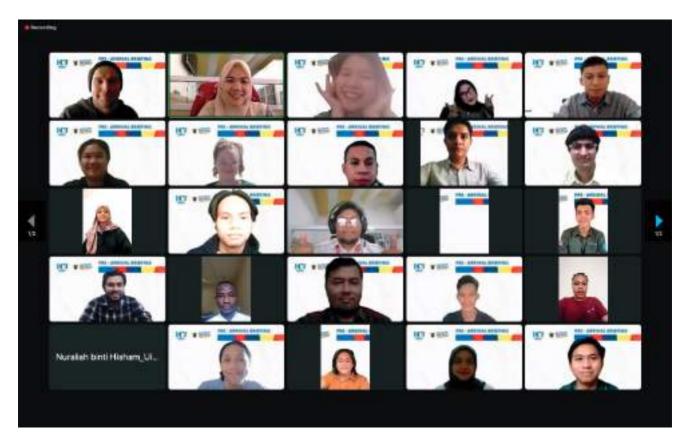
The visiting agenda included continuing the collaboration between UNHAS and UTeM including combined seminars, workshops and other scientific meetings, student exchanges, matching funds and exchange of scientific materials, collaboration in research and reaching, and several other activities. The event continued with a visit to the Faculty of Engineering, Gowa Campus and was greeted directly by the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Prof. Dr. Eng. Ir. Muhammad Isran Ramli and faculty members.

UTeM delegates also visited class lectures and laboratories at the Department of Informatics Engineering, Department of Industrial Engineering and Department of Mechanical Engineering, which were welcomed directly by the Heads and Secretaries of the Departments and lecturers. Both parties hope that the cooperation will be closer and smoother in the future.





THE 6TH INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL PROGRAM (ICP) 2023: PRE-ARRIVAL BRIEFING



The 6th International Cultural Program (ICP) 2023 is coming soon. It will be held from 14-21 June 2023. This pre-arrival briefing was carried out to ensure the participants were aware of the program schedule, travel arrangements, and Dos and Don'ts issues. The briefing was done through a Zoom meeting and joined by around half of the participants registered in ICP this year. Unfortunately, several participants could not participate for various reasons. However, the meeting was recorded so that absent ICP participants could review the video. This briefing was held on Wednesday, 31 May 2023, from 9-10 am Central Indonesia Time (CIT).

The briefing began with a presentation by Jamaluddin Fitrah Alam, Ph.D, the ICP Program Manager. Mr. Jamal first described the final program schedule, compared to the tentative schedule given in the program book. The next presentation was by Kumara Tungga Dewa, known as Dewa, the ICP Program Assistant. He explained to the participants the critical notices regarding travel arrangements. These included airfare tickets and visa arrangements. Mr. Dewa also explained the number of fully and partially funded participant awards.

Ms. Afifah, S.I.Kom, the ICP Field Officer, gave the last presentation. She explained things the participants should prepare before arriving in Makassar, especially Dos and Don'ts. She reminded the participants what to wear daily during the program. She mentioned formal clothes, sandals, folk costumes, outdoor wear, etc. The participants seemed to enthusiastically participate in the Pre-Arrival Briefing.



FACULTY OF PUBLIC HEALTH, HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY PRESENTS SPEAKER FROM UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA



The Faculty of Public Health (FKM) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) held a seminar series on Monday, May 15, 2023, in Kandow Room, 2nd floor of FKM UNHAS, which was attended by approximately 30 FKM students from various educational levels, including bachelor's, master's, and doctoral programs. This seminar series is an FKM program that brings speakers from abroad. This time FKM Unhas invited Heather Suttor, a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Melbourne, Australia.

This seminar was moderated by Daniella C. Sampepajung, SE, MSc, with the theme "The Use and Influence of Menstrual Cycle Tracking and Menstrual Health Education Apps Among Girls in Bali, Indonesia". The Dean of FKM, Prof. Sukri Palutturi, Ph.D., appreciated the implementation of this seminar.

Heather's arrival at this seminar was for her research related to trials on Oky apps, namely collaborative menstrual applications from UNICEF, the University of Melbourne, UNHAS, and KISARA Bali. "There are 85 menstrual apps that can be downloaded as of June 2020, whose predictions are based on user data algorithms," explained Heather.

On the same occasion, Heather shared the results of her research with young girls in Bali, which consisted of several groups with an age range of 13–17 years. The challenges faced while collecting data were participants who were not familiar with the Oky apps, a noisy and hot environment, and difficulty understanding the participants daily lives. Seminar participants then responded to the material that had been presented by submitting ideas and questions, which were then answered by the speaker.





Laode M. Syarif, Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law, Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), was invited to be a speaker in the "Experts Meeting on Measuring Grand Corruption and Reducing Its Power" at the American Academy of Arts and Sciences (AMACAD), the USA, on May 18–20, 2023. The event invited academic experts from Oxford, Leiden, Yale, Ottawa, Sussex, Dalhoussie, Chicago, Carleton, Lund, and UNHAS.

The event was also attended by several highly reputable practitioners: Richard Goldstone (South African Constitutional Court Judge and Chair of the IACC Treaty Drafting Committee), Judge Mark Wolf, (Former Prosecutor, Judge, and now teaches at Harvard and founder of the International Anti-Corruption Court), Lloyd Axworthy (Chair of the World Refugee & Migration Council), Slagjana Taseva (former President of the Macedonian Anti-Corruption Commission), Allan Rock (former Chancellor of the University of Ottawa, Canadian Ambassador to the UN, and Canadian Minister of Justice), Alexandra Haberson (Integrity Vice Presidency of the World Bank), and Ian Lynch (Program Director of Integrity Initiative International). AMACAD was founded in 1780 to honor the founders of every field of science and art for discovering new ideas and finding solutions to problems faced by humans and the universe.

Mr. Syarif was the Commissioner for Komisi Pemberantasan Korupsi (KPK), or Indonesia Anti-Corruption Commission, for the period of 2015–2019 and presently serves as the Executive Director of Partnership for Governance Reform (Kemitraan). In this expert meeting, he was appointed to do research on "corruption in natural resource management". Moreover, Mr. Syarif is entrusted with gathering support from several countries in Southeast Asia to establish the International Anti-Corruption Court (IACC), which has been supported by the governments of Canada and the Netherlands.





FACULTY OF PUBLIC HEALTH HOLDS A GUEST LECTURE PRESENTING A SPEAKER FROM THE PHILIPPINES AND MALDIVES.



Department of Health Promotion and Education

The Department of Health Promotion and Education held a guest lecture titled "Health System in the Philippines" on Tuesday, 30 May 2023. This hybrid event was held online via the Zoom platform and offline in the Public Health Faculty building. The event started with a welcoming speech by the Dean of the Faculty of Public Health, Hasanuddin University (FKM Unhas), Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM MKes MScPH Ph.D. This was followed by Opening remarks from the UNHAS Vice-Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Business, Prof. Dr. Eng Adi Maulana, ST MPhil.,

The guest lecture was presented by Ernesto R. Gregorio, Jr. RMT, DAPE, MPH, Ph.D. from the Department of Health Promotion and Education, Faculty of Public Health Sciences, University of Philippines in Manila. Mr. Ernesto discussed the current public health situation in the Philippines, such as maternal mortality, child mortality, tuberculosis incidence, stunting, and health financing. In his presentation, Mr. Ernesto also discussed implementing the Universal Health Coverage concept and providing an integrated health service network in the Philippines. Just like Indonesia with a Pusat Kesehatan Masyarakat (Puskesmas) or Community Health Center, Mr. Ernesto said the Philippines also has primary health facilities that focus on promotional and preventive efforts.

n the discussion session, several participants, consisting of lecturers and students from the Faculty of Public Health, had the opportunity to ask questions and discuss with Mr. Ernesto. Some of the questions asked by the participants included how the Philippine Government involves the community and maintains the sustainability of an intervention program and what monitoring and evaluation mechanisms are being implemented.

Participants also asked about post-covid health conditions in the Philippines. In closing, Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM MKes MScPH Ph.D., as the Dean of the Faculty of Public Health, expressed his appreciation and gratitude to the guest speaker for the knowledge that had been shared. "I hope that the collaboration between Universitas Hasanuddin, especially the Faculty of Public Health, and The University of Philippines Manila, especially in the fields of education and research, can be improved in the future," said the Dean.

Department of Public Health

The Department of Public Health held a Guest Lecture titled "Health Challenges in the Maldives Island Country" on Tuesday, 16 May 2023. This event was held online via the Zoom platform to add insight and enhance collaboration between Universitas Hasanuddin and The Maldives National University in education and research. The event began with opening remarks by the Deputy Chancellor for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Business at Hasanuddin University, Prof. Dr. Eng Adi Maulana, S.T., M.Phil. Furthermore, the Dean of Public Health Faculty, Universitas Hasanuddin, Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM, M.Kes, M.Sc.PH, Ph.D., also gave a welcoming speech.

Shabeeb Abdul Azeez presented the lecture from the Department of Public Health, Faculty of Health Sciences, The Maldives National University. In his presentation, Mr. Shabeeb discussed various health challenges faced by the Maldives as an archipelagic country, including issues of health, human resources, health infrastructure, maternal and child health such as immunization and stunting, sanitation and clean water, non-communicable diseases, and mental health.

At the closing for this event, Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM, M.Kes, M.Sc.PH, Ph.D., the Dean of the Faculty of Public Health, expressed his appreciation and gratitude to the guest lecturer for the knowledge that had been shared. He hoped that the collaboration could be improved between Universitas Hasanuddin, especially Public Health Faculty, and The Maldives National University, especially in education and research.





THE VICE RECTOR 1 UNHAS BECOMES A SPEAKER AT THE 27TH MAOMS ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING PRESIDENTIAL SYMPOSIUM MALAYSIA



Vice-Rector 1 for Academic and Students Affairs at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Prof. Muhammad Ruslin, Dr. MKes, Ph.D. SpBM(K) was the speaker at the 27th Malaysian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (MAOMS) Annual Scientific Meeting Presidential Symposium. The activity was organized by the MAOMS at the Eastern and Oriental Hotel, Penang Malaysia, Friday-Sunday May 19-21, 2023.

Prof Ruslin presented material entitled "Development of Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering for Alveolar Bone Reconstruction." He explained that tissue engineering is an emerging approach combining various cells, growth factors, and biomaterials to produce biomedical constructs in which cell aggregates are formed step by step using a supporting bio-ink matrix.

"Tissue engineering techniques often require porous tissues. This modulates the growth of cells that migrate from the surrounding tissue," added Prof Ruslin. Prof Ruslin, who is the President of Collegium, Indonesian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery also explained that in recent years tissue 48 engineering technology has gradually become an essential technical method in dental research. In addition, its application in research related to stomatology has obtained awe-inspiring achievements.

"With advances in technology, the ability to build maxillofacial constructions and more detailed bioactive tissues will become more sophisticated," said Prof. Ruslin. He added that tissue engineering would fit in as a very active field in developing the necessary products and following all the principles of regenerative medicine. "For example, dental implants, cleft palate reconstruction, and bone tissue engineering in maxillofacial jaws," he concluded.





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GEOGRAPHY SERIES; HONDURAS, UN PAIS DE 5 ESTRELLAS



After successfully holding two Geography Series (G-Series), which started with Pakistan then Yemen, the International Office (IO) presented Honduras to local and international students. The G-Series took place Thursday, 25 May 2023, from 2-3 pm Central Indonesia Time (CIT) at the Prof. La Tanro Hall, Faculty of Economics and Business (FEB). The presenter was our student, Andrea Sofia Aleman, the *Kemitraan Negara Berkembang* (KNB) or Developing Country Partnership awardee. The KNB is a scholarship the Ministry of Education and Culture, Research and Technology provides. Gurpreet Kaur, an IO student volunteer, moderated the G-Series.

Studying at the Faculty of Marine Science and Fisheries (FIKP), Andrea began her presentation by introducing her country's national anthem. Thus, the audience stood up. She then continued by showing Honduras on the global map, including the flag. Honduras is well known as *un pais Cinco de Estrellas* or a country with five stars. Indeed, this one could be seen in the country's flag. She divided her slides into seven parts, including (1) introduction and general data, (2) pre-Columbian Honduras, (3) Indigenous and Afro-Honduras people, (4) gastronomy, (5) typical clothing, (6) traditions, and (7) Honduras natural remarks.

The first part of her presentation included the Federal Republic of Central America, colonial architecture, and archeological sites. Meanwhile, the second part included the historical region of Mesoamerica. Next, the third part had the number of ethnic groups living in the country. Many of them live in mountainous areas, and others are around the seashore. Those ethnic groups are Tolupanes, Lencas, Maya-Chorti, Nauhatl, Garifunas, Pech, and Negros de Habla Inglesia. In addition, the fourth part included traditional dishes, Mondongo soup, Baleada, Plato Tipico, Montuca, Catrachas, etc.

The fifth part of her presentation included the country's typical clothing, Intibuca. In the fifth part, she showed the county's traditions, which had monthly traditions like April-Easter, La Ceiba Isidra fair in May, and the day of Lempira Indian in July. Tzikin ceremony in November and the royal walk of the giant Chimney in December. In this part, she also presented the music and dances as well as the most unique one was the Yoro's fish rain which happens two or three times a year.

Before the closing, the moderator proposed a quiz for participants to be engaged. Andrea asked several questions, and the ones who answered correctly were given IO merchandise.





RECTOR OF UNHAS WELCOMES DAAD (DEUTSCHER AKADEMISCHER AUSTAUSCHDIENST) DELEGATES

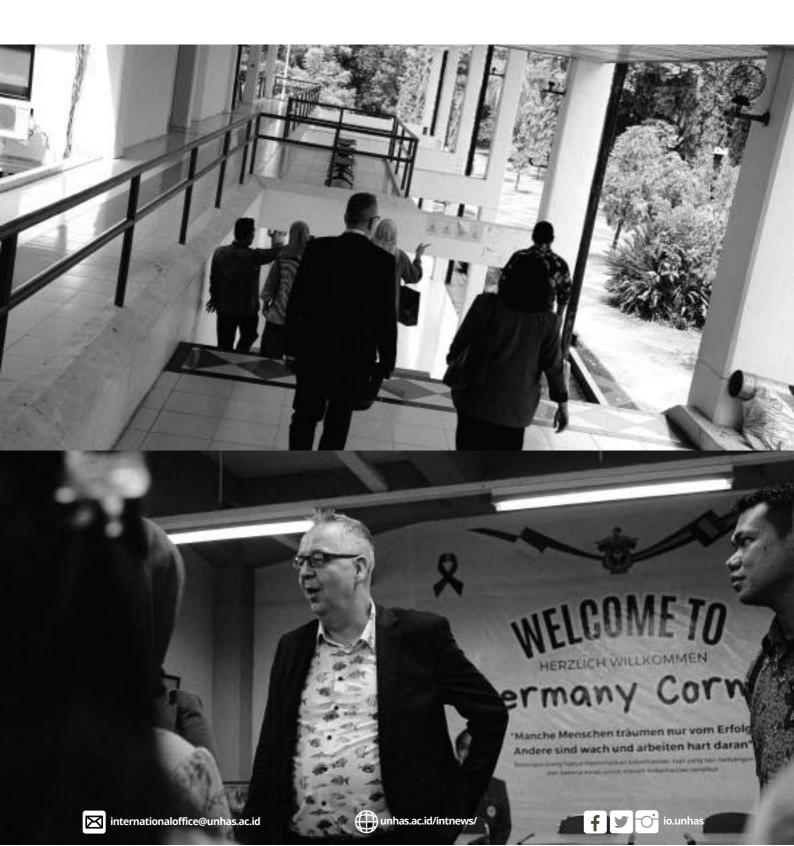


The Rector of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Prof. Jamaluddin Jompa, well known as Prof. JJ, welcomed the DAAD delegation comprising Dr. Guido Schnieders (Director of DAAD Regional Office Jakarta), Annica Fitria, B.A. (Head of Research, Science and Technology Section, Germany Embassy) and La Budza (Program Officer of DAAD Regional Office Jakarta). The welcome session was on Friday, 26 May 2023, starting at 9 am Central Indonesia Time (CIT). Accompanying the Rector were Prof. Adi Maulana, M.Phil (Vice-Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Business), Prof. Marianti Manggau (Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy), Muhammad Ridwan, M.A.(Secretary of International Office), and Prof. Wira Bahari Nurdin (DAAD alumni), who teaches in the Physics Study Program at the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences.

In his remarks, Prof JJ explained that Germany was the target country for postgraduate study in the era of B.J. Habibie, and several UNHAS lecturers were continuing their research in this country. As Rector, the development of human resources is a priority, in this case through young lecturers continuing their studies abroad. Through the *Lembaga Pengelola Dana Pendidikan* (LPDP) or Indonesia Endowment Funds for Education scholarship, the Indonesian government can help young people increase their capacity and competence by studying abroad. Furthermore, Prof. JJ is expecting Unhas to have dual degrees and joint research collaboration funding with German universities.

Meanwhile, Dr. Guido explained that before he served as the DAAD Director, he used to teach German at the University of Indonesia for about 15 years. Talking about Indonesian development, he emphasized that there are now huge differences compared to the Indonesian situation 15 years ago. According to him, Indonesia is now a target but at the same time a partner in research, as the country has abundant biodiversity. In addition, DAAD looks for universities accredited as UNGGUL (excellent) in Indonesia. Also, it has run international programs with English as a medium of instruction as a primary consideration in implementing exchange programs. Therefore, DAAD is planning to meet with university leaders, including International Office representatives, in Jakarta, from 29 February – 1 March 2024.

After the meeting, the DAAD delegates visited the Germany Corner, the Science Techno Park (STP) and the Faculty of Pharmacy.





INFO SESSION: MASTER AND PHD IN GERMANY BY DAAD



DAAD (*Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst*) Germany, in collaboration with the International Office (IO) held an Info Session: Masters and Doctoral in Germany, open to the academic community of Hasanuddin University on Friday, 26 May 2023. The information session was moderated by Prof. Faizal Samman, a DAAD scholarship recipient currently working as lecturer at the Department of Electrical Engineering (FT), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS).

On this occasion, Dr. Guido Schnieders (Director of the DAAD Regional Office Jakarta) gave several reasons why Germany is one of the best places for developing collaborative research and further education. Guido said Germany has advantages in research and teaching supported by a safe location with economic stability and various university choices. In Germany, there are several types of higher education institutions, from universities specializing in applied sciences to colleges of music, art, and film.

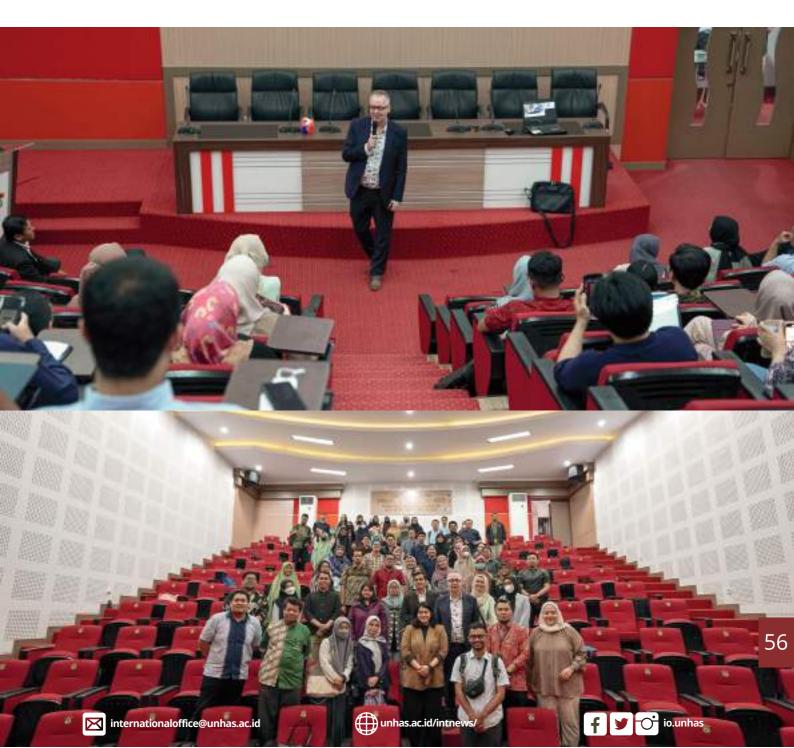
"The education system in Germany consists of undergraduate, postgraduate, and advanced postgraduate research, where the degree received gets international recognition. In the lecture process, the language of instruction is generally English, although sometimes German is also used," explained Guido.

Furthermore, Guido also provided an overview of the DAAD scholarship and funding program, which consists of individual scholarships, project funding to support the internationalization of higher education structures, and the European Union mobility program.

DAAD provides scholarships from the German Academic Exchange Service, one of the prestigious scholarships for Indonesian and international students. This is one of the top 10 international scholarships to study abroad, competing with the Chevening, Fulbright, and Australian awards.

This program aims to develop a strong and internationally oriented higher education system in Southeast Asia with the capacity to contribute to sustainable development. Scholarships are awarded for development-related master's or doctoral studies for individuals planning to pursue a career in teaching or research at Southeast Asian institutions of higher education.

After the UNHAS academics were given an overview of the lecture process and the DAAD scholarship program, there was a discussion and question and answer session. The participants, mostly UNHAS lecturers and students, were active and asked several questions of the speakers.





VICE RECTOR IV UNHAS WELCOMES THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE, AUSTRALIAN DELEGATES



On Thursday, 25 May 2023, Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) welcomed a visit from the University of Newcastle, Australia. The visit was welcomed by Vice Rector IV for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Business, Prof. Adi Maulana, M.Phil., the Secretary of the Office of International Affairs, Muhammad Ridwan, M.A, and lecturers who are alumni of the University of Newcastle. They gathered in the UNHAS Rectorate Building Meeting Room A to discuss several collaborations between the two universities. This session was moderated by the Director of Partnership, Dr. Ansariadi.

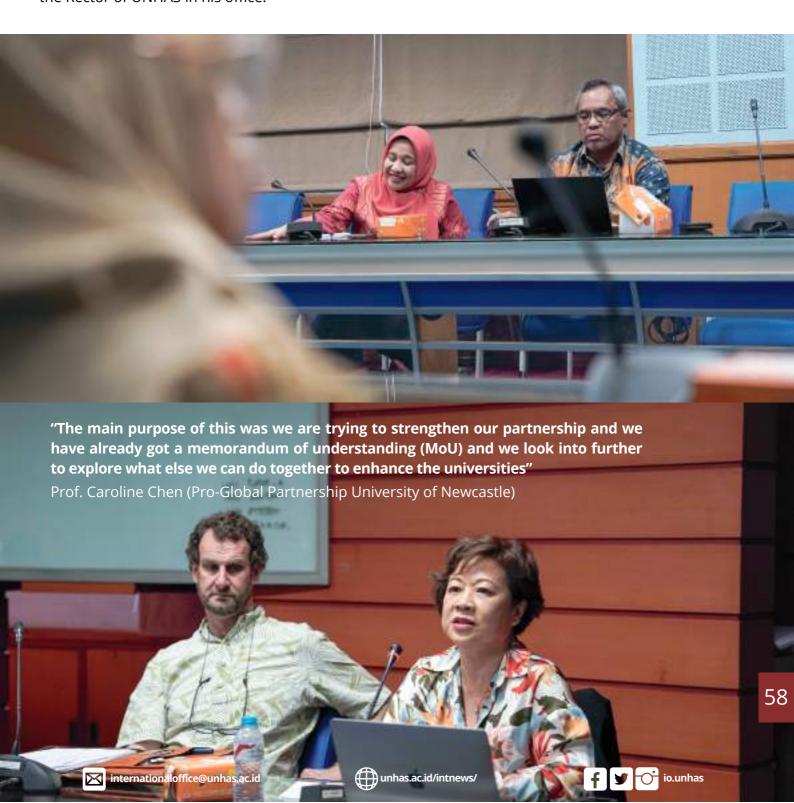
The University of Newcastle was represented by the Global Vice Chancellor, Prof. Kent Anderson, and pro-global partnership, Prof. Caroline Chen. This visit was a response after UNHAS visited Newcastle to renew cooperation. "The primary purpose of this was we are trying to strengthen our partnership, and we have already got a memorandum of understanding (MoU), and we look into further to explore what else we can do together to enhance the universities." said Prof. Caroline Chen.

In addition, Prof. Adi also emphasized that the challenges faced by the Vice-Chancellor from the University of Newcastle where also among the topics discussed here, in particular making several collaborative commitments more readily implementable. Earlier, the teams had discussed the possibility of dual degrees and joint research, as well as seriously discussing collaboration through a matching fund.

Meanwhile, Mr. Anderson explained that Indonesia has many universities, but he preferred going outside the capital city. In Australia, the University of Newcastle itself is not in Sydney but outside. Sulawesi is outside the capital city of Jakarta, yet it is the #1 university for Sulawesi. In addition, he said it was an easy decision; plus, several University of Newcastle alumni have been working as lecturers here at UNHAS.

The visit will open other potential types of collaboration, such as student exchanges. In this case, the students from University of Newcastle are expected to visit UNHAS during the International Cultural Program (ICP), and University of Newcastle will also be expected to invite not only UNHAS students but also staff and lecturers to continue their education at the university.

A question and answer session was held before the end of this visit, and the moderator asked the participants to ask questions. After this session, the University of Newcastle delegates and alumni met the Rector of UNHAS in his office.





UNHAS FACULTY OF DENTISTRY HOLDS GUEST LECTURE PRESENTING INTERNATIONAL SPEAKERS FROM SINGAPORE AND MALAYSIA



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) Faculty of Dentistry (FKG) held an international guest lecture with presentations by Mr. Alvin Chai from Singapore and Abdul Rahim Bin Ismail from Malaysia. The guest lecture was held in the Molar Room, starting at 9 am Central Indonesia Time (CIT). It consisted of two sessions, morning and afternoon. The participants were lecturers, prosthodontic and dental specialist students, laboratory assistants, and preclinical students.

The Vice Dean for Academic and Student Affairs, drg. Acing Habibie Mude, Ph.D. Sp.Pros. (K), officially opened the guest lecture. In his remarks, he thanked and expressed his appreciation to the two presenters who provided new insights and experience in their fields. "Hopefully, this activity can improve the quality of education at FKG Unhas," he said.

Mr. Alvin Chai, a Dental Technician, presented material on 3D Digital Smile Design. In his presentation, he explained the importance of technological tools/assistance that could provide benefits and opportunities in doing smile design, by making work more accessible, cost-effective, and efficient. He also said that transferable skills between analog and digital are the keys to improving overall work performance between dentists and technicians. On this occasion, he also taught all participants about the workflow in making smile makeovers and the applications used.

The second speaker, Abdul Rahin Bin Ismail, presented material on "Castapress Cold Curing Acrylic and Rigid Polyamide". He is a dental technician with experience in the field of dental technology. He also explained the development of materials in the manufacture of dentures.

After the presentation of the material, the guest lecture continued with a discussion session guided by two moderators. They were: drg. Wahyuni Suci, Ph.D., Sp.KG(K) for the first session and drg. Rifaat Nurrahma, Sp.Pros (K) for the second session.



THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE WELCOMES UNIVERSITY OF JEMBER BENCHMARKING TEAM



The Head of International Office (IO) UNHAS, Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D., welcomed the University of Jember (UNEJ) benchmarking team on Monday, May 29, 2023, at the IO meeting room. The UNEJ benchmarking team consisted of 7 people and was led by Dr. Albert Tallupessy. The Head of the International Service Center, Dr. Hadrian Susilo Addy, was among the group. From IO UNHAS, the Secretary, Muhammad Ridwan, M.A., Task Force member Jamaluddin Fitrah Alam, Ph.D., and other IO staff were also present.

Before the meeting, Dr. Masyitha Irwan began her warm welcome by saying how much she appreciated the team coming to the IO office, and then took the UNEJ team for an office tour. She showed parts of the office, starting from the front office consisting of three divisions, including an IO lobby in which the IO welcomes guests and the guests can wait for service; the IO front liner, where the staff, Ms. Afifah, stands by; as well as a helpdesk for Indonesian International Students Mobility (IISMA) Alumni assisting IISMA prospective students. The tour continued to the back office where IO staff work during the day.

After the tour, Dr. Masyitha invited the UNEJ team to enter the meeting room. Several issues were discussed, such as the role of the IO, the management of international students, and many more. Regarding international students, Dr. Masyitha explained the number of students that UNHAS is hosting. Due to the pandemic, several students were still joining the classes online, and now those students have gradually come to Makassar to attend the courses. Those international students were notified on their arrival about the IO UNHAS.

The question and answer session continued to discuss many aspects of IO UNHAS management, including the existence of student volunteers and how to become a host for students receiving *Kemitraan Negara Berkembang* (KNB) or Partnership of Developing Countries scholarships provided by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Research and Technology. The session was closed by taking a group photo. Thank you, UNEJ, for the benchmarking visit.





19TH ACADEMY FOR GLOBAL BUSINESS ADVANCEMENT CONFERENCE



Academy for Global Business Advancement (AGBA) is a global association of entrepreneurship, information technology, tourism, and hospitality management. It has already run for 24 years in research and networking worldwide.

AGBA, as a global organization, aims to help academics and scholars at business schools across emerging countries to connect with the western (developed) world for mutual benefit. Such collaboration would accelerate the process of globalization by furnishing ample opportunities to scholars in emerging countries to get recognition, disseminate new knowledge and assert themselves on the global stage. Professionals in the fields of business administration, commerce, economics.

Faculty of Economics dan Business Universitas Hasanuddin has an opportunity to participate the 19th AGBA conference on 19th-22nd May 2023 at Le Meridien Dubai Hotel and Conference Centre, UAE. The participation through AGBA conference is a form of commitment from Faculty of Economics and Business to support UNHAS internationalization achievements.

The conference accepted 224 papers from 31 countries, 112 universities, 7 Non-University Organizations. Prof. Dr. Abdul Rahman Kadir, M.Si., CIPM, CWM as Dean of Faculty Economics and Business Universitas Hasanuddin and AFEBI President has become one of more than 20 distinguished speakers. He explained Green Marketing at Indonesia case. He is invited by AGBA president to represent UNHAS showing Indonesia projection at Sustainability issue, specifically Green Marketing. There are other 5 participants who have presented their paper. They are Prof.Dr.Arifuddin,SE., Ak., M.Si., CA., CWM., Dr. Anas Iswanto Anwar, SE., MA., CWM, Dr. Muhammad Sobarsyah, SE., M.Si., CWM, Haniek Khoirunnissa Baja SE., M.Sc, Rizky Utami SE., M.Acc.Fin.





RAISING ISSUES ON COURTS: FACULTY OF LAW, HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY INVITES PROFESSOR FROM TILBURG UNIVERSITY, RESEARCHER FROM THE JUDICIAL COMMISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA, AND THE JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE STUDY AND ADVOCACY INSTITUTE



The Faculty of Law (FH) UNHAS held an International Seminar on 31 May 2023. The seminar with the theme "The Importance of Public Trust and Confidence to the Court" was attended by Binziad Kadafi, S.H., LL.M., PH.D (Head of HR, Advocacy, Legal Research and RI Judicial Commission Development), Dr. Dian Rositawati, S.H., M.A (Management Board of the Judicial Independence Study and Advocacy Institute), and Prof. Dr. Maurice Adams of the Law School of Tilburg University.

The Vice Dean for Academic and Student Affairs, Prof. Dr. Maskun S.H., LL.M, welcomed the guests and officially opened the seminar. In his remarks, Prof. Maskun revealed that the theme taken was a good idea because today the issue of public trust in the judiciary is quite a big homework, how then in the future do we build public trust again for the judiciary when there are many problematic cases that we can see in the public eye.

Prof. Maurice in his presentation revealed that regarding the decline in trust in the Court, it is important for the judiciary to maintain the independence of its institutions so that there is no intervention in the decision-making process. In addition, he also gave examples related to the justice systems in several countries, starting from the election of judges to the supreme court to the trias politica relationship which is being destroyed because the balance of power is fundamentally disturbed.

In addition to being a guest speaker at an international seminar, Prof. Maurice also gave a public lecture in the Dr. Zainal Abidin Farid doctoral promotion hall. Afterwards, he attended a sharing session with Klinik Etika dan Advokasi (KEA) or Ethics and Advocacy Clinic of the Judicial Commission of the Faculty of Law, UNHAS in the Academic Senate Room of the UNHAS Faculty of Law with representatives of the Judicial Commission, Associate Lecturers, and alumni of the KEA FH UNHAS.





UNHAS STUDENT PARTICIPATES IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BY NATIONWIDE UNIVERSITY NETWORK INDONESIA AT BINA NUSANTARA UNIVERSITY



The International Community Development (ICDP) is a new program held by Nationwide University Network Indonesia (NUNI) and hosted by Bina Nusantara University (BINUS) from May 8-13, 2023. This is their second year of organizing this program, which differed from last year's. There will be five parts to this program.

These five parts will be held in different cities, namely Jakarta, Bandung, Semarang, Malang, and the final part in Bali. They do parts in several cities as BINUS has branches in those cities except for Bali which will be the event's highlight. In this part, the participants come from Passage to ASEAN (P2PA), NUNI members, and BINUS. Gurpreet Kaur, a student from the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, also a student volunteer at the International Office, represented UNHAS. There were 15 participants, consisting of three NUNI members, five P2PA members, and seven BINUS students. All of the NUNI members and P2A stayed in the BINUS Square (Dormitory).

In this program, the participants were divided into three large groups that would get different *Usaha Kecil dan Menengah* (UKM) or Small and Medium Enterprises, and we would assist them with the design thinking process. Sonia joined ZANTE group, a home industry engaged in leather bags. ZANTE was established in October 2021 and makes a product based on the request and is customized. The ZANTE's owner, Ms. Sussy, is a person who has no business background, but her hard work and constant desire to learn have continued and have made ZANTE sustainable to this day. So the participants were there to help develop ZANTE's market through social media because ZANTE's customers are just word of mouth (connections).

Sonia felt so content and honored to be in this program and have the opportunity to meet fourteen other motivated students and the facilitators who cared about us. The participants also went to Kota Tua as a part of the program. The participants could visit many museums. That way, this event helped them give something back to the community which they will help to develop.





HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY TEAMS WIN SILVER AND BRONZE MEDALS AT THE PRESTIGIOUS TEKNOFEST ISTANBUL INTERNATIONAL INVENTIONS FAIR 2023



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) officially delegated two student teams from various study programs to take part in the annual and prestigious competition: The 8th Istanbul International Inventions Fair (ISIF) 2023 at Istanbul Ataturk Airport, Turkey on 27 April – 01 May 2023. The first team consisted of Samintang (Accounting), Firdaus (Management), Nurul Habaib Al Mukarramah (Legal Science), and Olivia L (Fisheries Agribusiness) and introduced the La Galigo comic entitled "Pelayaran ke Dusung" or Sailing to the Village adapted from several episodes in the book La Galigo, according to Nederlandsch Bijbelgenootschap (NBG) Manuscripts 188 Volume 3. This La Galigo comic was also equipped with the Gammara Augmented Reality (AR) application which can be downloaded for free via Play Store and which has an AR feature that can display the three-dimensional shape of each character, the pronunciation of the ontara script, and e-comics. They managed to win a silver medal.

Meanwhile, the second team consisted of Abdul Salam, Muhammad Haekal Sutrisna, Nurul Fathanah from the Faculty of Engineering and Astri Anggriani from the Faculty of Agriculture who performed 'Navigatour' which can be used to revitalize the existence of local, global and even universal cultural heritage. The second team won a bronze medal.

ISIF is organized by the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (TURKPATENT) under the Turkish Ministry of Industry and Technology in collaboration with the International Federation of Inventors' Association (IFIA) and supported by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). Apart from participating in ISIF, the first team also had the opportunity to take part in the pitching at TEKNOFEST's "Meet with the Investors" Demo Day. Moreover, they also visited the Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia in Istanbul and Benchmarking at Bursa Uludağ Üniversitesi Türkçe Öğretimi Uygulama ve Araştırma Merkezi (ULUTÖMER) Başkanlığı.





UNHAS STUDENT AS INDONESIAN DELEGATE SPEAKS AT THE UNITED NATIONS IN NEW YORK CITY, USA



Abdi Ardiansyah, a student at the Faculty of Law, Hasanuddin University (FH UNHAS), has made his alma mater and Indonesia proud on the international stage. Abdi was one of four delegates from the Ministry of Youth and Sports at the U.N. International Youth Forum, the 2023 United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Youth Forum held on 25-27 April 2023 at the U.N. Headquarters, New York, United States of America, was officially opened by the President of the U.N. General Assembly, Y.M. Csaba Kõrösi, and ECOSOC President, Y.M. Lachezara Stoeva. ECOSOC was an international forum for youth worldwide to discuss improving the recovery of social life after Covid-19 and concrete youth issues based on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Abdi, a class 2022 student, along with delegates from the University of Indonesia and Syarif Hidayatullah State Islamic University, attended ministerial sessions, namely meetings of ministers from various countries. On this prestigious occasion, Abdi also conveyed his ideas regarding Indonesia's exemplary commitment to youth political participation in Indonesia in the plenary session.

"There was also a session where each delegate from the various countries had the opportunity to convey ideas. I was assigned to conduct an intervention focused on SGD 7 related to affordable and clean energy or guaranteeing universal access to affordable, reliable, and modern energy services," said Abdi. Moreover, "Of course, I am happy and grateful to be chosen to represent the Ministry of Youth and Sports and Hasanuddin University as the Indonesian delegation at the UN ECOSOC Youth Forum 2023," said Abdi.

After participating in this international forum, Abdi will continue to collaborate to support SDG acceleration efforts, especially in the field of education in Indonesia. He is also committed to giving the best to Hasanuddin University as one of the campuses that pay attention to SGDs in Indonesia.





PROSTHODONTIC RESIDENTS OF FKG UNHAS PRESENT AT THE 132ND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE JAPAN PROSTHODONTIC SOCIETY



Two residents of the Prosthodontic Study Program, Faculty of Dentistry (FKG), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Mariska Juanita and Muthia Mutmainnah Bachtiar, were presenters at the 132nd Annual Meeting of the Japan Prosthodontic Society (JPS). This international conference is an annual conference held by the JPS. This year's conference was held at the PACIFICO Yokohama Conference Center, Japan, for three days (19–21 May 2023).

The theme of this conference was "Future of Prosthodontics, Future of Dentistry, Creation of Innovations toward Society 5.0". At this conference, Ms. Mariska presented the title A Potential Method for Early Detection of Cognitive Disorders: Effect of Occlusal Contact on Salivary Beta Amyloid Protein Levels, while Ms. Muthia presented her research results entitled Efficacy of Cannabidiol in Combination with Bio-ceramic Bone Graft in Bone Remodeling.

The results of Mariska's research are deemed important for assessing the effect of dental occlusal contacts on cognitive function in the elderly through salivary protein levels. The research presented by Muthia described the use of active compounds from biomaterials (cannabis), which can enhance the bone remodeling process.

Representatives from the Indonesian Prosthodontic Collegium (IPROSI) and six prosthodontic dental residency programs in Indonesia (UNHAS, UI, USU, UNAIR, UGM, and UNPAD) also attended this conference. UNHAS was represented by lecturer staff of the Prosthodontic Study Program, FKG, UNHAS: Prof. Dr. Bahruddin Thalib, M.Kes., Sp.Pros., Subsp.PKIKG(K) (also Head of UNHAS Senate); drg. Irfan Dammar, M.Kes., Sp.Pros., Subsp.PMF(K) (Head of Prosthodontic Study Program); Prof. drg. Moh. Dharmautama, Ph.D., Sp. Pros., Subsp.PKIKG(K); Prof. Dr. drg. Edy Machmud, M.Kes., Sp.Pros., Subsp.OGST(K); and Dr. drg. Ike Damayanti Habar, Sp.Pros., Subsp.PKIKG(K).

The Head of the Prosthodontic Study Program, Dr. Irfan, explained that the two students represented UNHAS and passed as oral presenters after going through a strict selection by the JPS. This activity is a form of study program participation to support UNHAS as a world-class university. It is our hope that, in the future, our study program will always send student representatives to take part in oral presentations on an international scale.

The conference itself was attended by approximately 400 participants from Japan and other countries.





UNHAS STUDENTS JOIN AN EXCHANGE PROGRAM AT TOKYO UNIVERSITY



The student exchange program held at Tokyo University of Marine Science and Technology (TUMSAT), Tokyo, Japan, in 2023 is one of the collaborative programs with the Faculty of Marine Science and Fisheries (FIKP), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS). The Student Exchange Program was attended by two students from the Aquaculture Study Program named Andi Raihan Mahardika Ramadhan and Asyhabul Qaffi. This program ran for approximately six months. During program activities, students were guided by Ir. Muhammad Iqbal Djawad, M.Sc., Ph.D. (UNHAS) and Prof. Masato Endo, Ph.D. (TUMSAT).

The Student Exchange program consisted of studying various aquaculture courses at TUMSAT as well as Japanese language courses, and multiple activities at the Fish Culture Laboratory, which focused on studying the Aquaculture System Recirculation Technology and Tilapia Reproduction. Japan is a developed country in various respects, including education. Therefore, Japan can be a place for student exchange participants to gain knowledge, train their mindset, and build innovation. With such an advanced education system, Japan is one of the destination countries for gaining understanding and building the students' character. The outputs from the student exchange program include broadened student insights that can be applied to the education system in the home university, which will lead to further changes in terms of human resource capability to offer innovation and change for the nation.



FACULTY OF ENGINEERING STUDENT PARTICIPATES IN THE YOUTH FOR ENERGY HELD BY THE EMBASSY OF SWEDEN TO INDONESIA



Mohammad Indra Kurniawan, a student of Electrical Engineering at the Faculty of Engineering (FT) UNHAS, had the privilege of participating in the prestigious Youth for Energy event organized by the Embassy of Sweden to Indonesia. The event occurred on May 27, 2023, at JS Luwansa Hotel and Convention Center. Among the participants, five were selected from regions outside Jakarta, Bogor, Depok, Tangerang, and Bekasi (JABODETABEK), while approximately 15 to 20 participants hailed from within JABODETABEK.

As a representative of Hasanuddin University and the eastern region of Indonesia, Indra felt a deep sense of honor to showcase UNHAS's commitment and the potential of the eastern region at this esteemed event. Given its strong alignment with the field of Electrical Engineering, Indra was eagerly looking forward to expanding his knowledge on renewable energy and sharing valuable insights with fellow participants.

The Youth for Energy event was made possible through a close collaboration between the Delegation of the European Union to Indonesia, the Embassy of Sweden to Indonesia, Coaction Indonesia, and the Society of Renewable Energy. This collaboration aimed to raise public awareness about the crucial significance of renewable and sustainable energy while fostering stronger ties between Sweden and Indonesia in the energy sector. By actively participating in this event, Indra aimed to enhance his understanding of renewable energy, drawing inspiration to contribute significantly to its advancement in Indonesia. Furthermore, he anticipated building meaningful connections with his peers, thus establishing a mutually beneficial network for future endeavors.



TWO UNHAS STUDENTS WIN SILVER MEDALS IN THE RUSSIAN MATHEMATICS OLYMPIAD



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) Makassar students made another achievement in the North Countries Universities Mathematical Competition (NCUMC), namely the International Mathematics Olympiad, which was held in Russia at the end of March 2023. Ferdi and Zidan Nadif Ramadhan, students in the Mathematics Study Program at the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (MIPA), won a silver medal (second place).

Ferdi explained that this international competition was held online and offline at ITMO University, Russia. This competition consists of two categories, namely individual and team. "We took part in this competition online and took part in two categories, individual and team. But for the team, we are ranked seventh," explained Ferdi, a 2020 batch student. Furthermore, Ferdi explained that the competition he participated in consisted of only one test stage. After conducting the test, the organizers immediately issue the scores and rank the participants. As for the preparation for the competition, Ferdi admitted that he had not practiced specifically for this event, because he was preparing for the MIPA National Olympiad. However, Ferdi realized that he had experience and training relevant to this event.

"The challenge was that we participated in this competition online, so we were less challenged. Maybe in the future, the campus can accommodate us to take part in the competition offline in Russia" Ferdi hoped. Nevertheless, Ferdi recognised that he received much help from the Mathematics Department, MIPA, especially from supervision by Dr. Andi Muhammad Anwar S.Si, M.Si. "The alumni also always help us study on the olympic material, as we know that olympic material is higher than class material," he added. Ferdi hopes that, in the future, UNHAS can continue to provide support, both financially and in terms of coaching.



PRELIMINARY MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION (IOTA) ESTABLISHMENT



As the number of international students is growing, the International Office (IO) held a preliminary meeting to decide on the establishment of the International Students Association on Monday, 25 May 2023, at 4 pm Central Indonesia Time (CIT) in Meeting Room B, 4th floor of the Rectorate Building. Led by the Head of the IO, Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D, and moderated by the IO Secretary, Muhammad Ridwan, MA., the IO task force team, Rafika Hamdani Ramli, LLM, and four other IO staff also attended.

In her remarks, Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D said that the establishment of the student association was urgent to enable students to exercise their leadership skills. The increase in students causes an increase in student problems, both academic-related and non-academic. It was hoped that this association could become a forum for solving student problems. Furthermore, this association would have the same status as other UNHAS student associations in general.

As the Head of the IO left the room for another agenda, the meeting continued, facilitated by the IO Secretary, who invited students to express their views regarding the mechanism for selecting the president of the association. Normally, the IO would let students decide their chairman candidates. However, several students proposed that the IO should do this. Several reasons were given, including the imbalance in the number of students representing their various countries at UNHAS. There are countries that have more students, and there are even countries that are only represented by one student. However, this was later refuted by others who said that this election should not be based on the country of origin but on the individuals who were seen as capable and had good leadership qualities.

Finally, the participants agreed that the selection of candidates would be left to the IO as the IO had student data that met the desired requirements. The participants also requested that IO determine the criteria for a candidate for president of this international student association.





THE 5TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MANDARIN LANGUAGE AND CHINESE CULTURE STUDY PROGRAM, FACULTY OF CULTURAL SCIENCES, UNHAS



On Wednesday, 31 May 2023, to celebrate the 5th Anniversary of the Mandarin Language and Chinese Culture study program, a Cultural Festival was held at the Prof. Mattulada Hall, Faculty of Cultural Sciences (FIB), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) with the theme "The Enchantment of China in Cultural Harmonization". The Vice-Rector for Academic and Student Affairs, Prof. drg. Muhammad Ruslin, M. Kes., Ph.D., Sp.BM(K), officially opened this event. The event was also attended by the Vice Dean for Student and Academic Affairs at FIB, UNHAS, the Head of the Mandarin Language Study Program at Makassar State University, and the Head of the Mandarin Language Study Program for Business and Professional Communication at Bosowa University, as well as lecturers and students.

This event presented art and cultural performances, including traditional Chinese dances, Taichi martial arts, Chinese tea arts, Chinese drama performances, lion dances, and fashion shows featuring traditional ethnic Chinese clothing. Remembering to present the educational aspect, exhibition stands presented the art of Chinese calligraphy, flash cards used in learning Mandarin, and the art of Chinese chess.





UNHAS CORNER: INTRODUCING MANDARIN LANGUAGE CENTER (CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE) HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY



The Mandarin Language Center was established in cooperation between Confucius Institute and Hasanuddin University (UNHAS). The signing of the collaboration between the Director of the Chinese UNHAS or Pusat Bahasa Mandarin (PBM) and UNHAS in February 2011. Then in October 2015, UNHAS officially opened the "Chinese Culture Activity Center (CCAC)" at UNHAS Central Library.

PBM UNHAS is the only Confucius Institute in Eastern Indonesia. It has a Chinese Culture Activity Center as a space for Chinese language and culture learning classes. In addition, it has a head office on Sunu Street and a learning space at the Faculty of Cultural Sciences.

The PMB is active in commemorating Chinese holidays such as Chinese New Year, Dragon Boat Festival, Autumn Festival, and World Mandarin Language Commemoration. In addition, every year, PBM UNHAS holds a Chinese speech competition which is often called "Chinese Bridge," as well as a place for conducting the Chinese Language Proficiency Test or often called "Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi (HSK)," and Chinese Listening Proficiency Test, "Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi Kouyu (HSKK)."

Prof. Wu Xiaoling, a Director from China, and Dr. Ria Rosdiana Jubhari, M.A., Ph.D., the Director from Indonesia, have brought excellent progress to UNHAS. The hope for the future is that students from various faculties can be exposed to Chinese cultures to create mutual tolerance and openness, given the potential for cooperation between the two countries that each have many strengths.

Currently, Mandarin language courses at basic to advanced levels are being attended by UNHAS students and the general public. Learning during afternoon and evening hours takes place at CCAC, while the evening class takes place on Sunu Street.







The Korea-Indonesia Cultural Corner (KICC) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) is an information center about South Korea in Makassar. From culture, scholarships, and Korean language courses that are designated not only for UNHAS students but also the wider community. This corner was the realization of the collaboration between the Korean Embassy in Indonesia and UNHAS, considering the high enthusiasm of UNHAS students for South Korea and it was the second Korean corner to be implemented in Indonesia after the University of Indonesia, and the first in eastern Indonesia.

KICC UNHAS was inaugurated on December 13, 2013, which at that time was directly attended by the South Korean Ambassador to Indonesia, H.E. Kim Young Sun. Located on the 2nd floor of the UNHAS Central Library Building, several university officials attended the inauguration. From the UNHAS side, the Rector of UNHAS at that time, Prof. Idrus. A. Paturusi, along with his Vice-Rectors and several Faculty Deans, were there. The CEO of Korean Ceramics, the Resident Representative of Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), Kim Byung Gwan, and the Head of South Sulawesi Education Office at that time, H. Abdullah Djabbar, were also present.

One of the regular activities of the corner is Korean language classes (basic, intermediate, and advanced levels) for the UNHAS academic community. In addition, this corner also carries out other activities such as Korean language and culture seminars, sharing sessions on scholarships and study in Korea, Korean speech competitions, Korean cooking classes, and Korean movie shows. KICC UNHAS also has a traditional South Korean dance group called Mu Gung Hwa, which has performed at several cultural events. In addition to cultural activities, KICC UNHAS is also the official host for the TOPIK (Test of Proficiency in Korea).

This corner also provides various facilities. There are at least three sections of rooms available to support its programmes and attract visitors. The first is the reading room, with approximately 2000 books by Korean authors, both fiction and non-fiction. Then there is also a classroom with many computers and good internet access. And the last is the Multimedia Room, where movie screenings are usually held. The arrangement of the rooms is also made as closely as possible to rooms in South Korea to make the atmosphere more comfortable and attractive.





UNHAS CORNERS: INTRODUCING GERMANY'S CORNER

The history of the establishment of the Germany Corner began when Prof. Marianti (currently the Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy) graduated from the Goethe Institute and received a DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst) scholarship from Germany. From there, she thought she could guide German language courses for her juniors studying in Germany. Initially, this German class was made specifically for Pharmacy students because there was a scholarship program offered by the German government to study in Germany for several months where the courses used German as the Language of Instruction.

When the German Ambassador came to Makassar accompanied by his cultural division and the head of the Goethe Institute, Prof. Marianti asked for their help to officially establish the Germany Corner. Finally, with the help of Prof. Dwia, who was the Vice Rector at that time, the Germany Corner was established. The Germany Corner is expected to be a place where students can get to know the German language and culture, as well as getting to know about scholarship providers to study in Germany, how to live and survive in Germany, and to serve as a gathering place for German alumni to discuss joint research and service programs (*stammtisch*).

The Germany corner has many work programs that are held every year. In accordance with its initial purpose, the Germany corner has German language classes facilitated by tutors from a German language education background. In addition, seminars are held covering scholarships, education and Ausbildung / internships in Germany. Every year during the admission process, Germany corner is often visited by new students. In the future, Germany corner would like to maximize the reading room facilities and increase the collection of German books.





GET ACQUAINTED WITH INTERNATIONAL STUDENT: ABDUL AZIZ

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FROM FACULTY OF DENTISTRY 2019





Hello, my name is Abdul Aziz, and I am from Iraq. I am a clinical student of the Dentistry Faculty at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS). I didn't plan on entering this field, but after I graduated from high school in Jakarta, where I lived most of my life, I was encouraged to join the dental field by my older brother who is studying dentistry to enter this field. Still, I was afraid to learn in Bahasa Indonesia. I was not that good, so I discovered that UNHAS had just opened an international class for the Faculty of Dentistry (FKG). So I did not know anything about the city I was going to or the people I would meet, but I went for the better future that this field would give me. Things were rough at the beginning of the course. Still, I adapted and learned the ways and methods of this field, and thanks to God Allah first and the support of my family, I successfully passed through the theory part of my study, and now I am in the first year of my clinical study.

In terms of activities that I joined, I didn't join plenty of activities, especially in the beginning, due to the new atmosphere. I was barely keeping up with my studies, but after I settled into the unique atmosphere, I started joining some sports events like badminton and judo. Regarding academic activities, I recently won first place in a research poster presentation at the Dentistry International Scientific Meeting on March 16, 2023, and I joined another competition at the moment held in Bali.

Furthermore, I joined the youth leadership program last year. Also, I took an internship program held by my faculty to study in Malaysia for two months at the Dentistry Faculty of Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) in Kuala Lumpur. I was trying to build relationships and connections that could help my career in the future and expand my knowledge by learning from experts or anyone who can offer valuable information. You always know something new and especially by experience. Hence, it's always good to seize opportunities and discover new things to help you build your knowledge or character.

We can't grow as a society without taking criticism with an open heart and consideration. So, here are some things I wish to implement in UNHAS that will make it thrive and raise its academic position among other universities. For example, in my experience with my faculty, there is very little to no strict schedule that is followed. A plan is there to be followed by all and not get changed for anyone and only rare exceptions. If a schedule keeps changing, that defeats the purpose of a timeline that has to be followed. People must build their agenda around the program, not the plan around whoever wants to change it. "Time is valuable and must be respected the same way you respect another person."

In conclusion, I am thrilled that I entered this university. I learned many things academically and culturally, made new friends from different nationalities and backgrounds, and met some fantastic people. I wish the best for my campus in all ways and means possible because I consider it the home that I have invested my time in. I am thankful to this university and its members for accepting me as one of their own and treating me respectfully and kindly.

Best wishes, and God bless.





Hanadi Shaheen, well known as Hannadi, was born in Deir el Balah, Gaza, Palestine, on February 2, 2000. She has five siblings, and she is number 5 in her family. She is a student of the Faculty of Medicine (FK). Hannadi was admitted to FK in 2018, and most recently, she achieved her S.Ked, a title for a student graduating with a bachelor's in medicine. Hannady is currently in her co-assistant phase in the hospital. The International Office (IO) had a short conversation with Hannadi. She started talking about her journey to study in Makassar. She did not know anything about UNHAS. Her brother registered to study in Ukraine. On his way to Ukraine, he met someone who told him to attend the FK UNHAS. His brother eventually came to Makassar and recommended her to also come to Makassar. She decided to come, and she was amazed at the development of medicine at this university, including the curriculum, facilities, etc. She enjoyed studying when Covid-19 was endemic and engulfed all parts of the world. As the learning process was conducted online, she decided to come back to Palestine and did not participate in any student activity.

After Covid 19 was no longer an epidemic, she returned to Makassar for graduation. Before graduation, she participated in one student organization called Himpunan Mahasiswa Islam (HMI), or Moslem Students Association. It is interesting to know about her involvement in this organization, as we all know it is only for Indonesians. There are two reasons why she joined the organization quite late: her Bahasa Indonesia is in her early study stage. She didn't speak the language as well as the student organization members; for instance, Calcaneus Medical Team did not approach her to participate because of the language barrier. Secondly, she was in Palestine during the pandemic and was not involved in any student organization.

When she talked about her recommendation for a better UNHAS, she started saying that international accreditation needs to be continually improved. With certification, it will attract more international students to come to continue their studies here. In addition, UNHAS should also think of international student organizations in which these students can improve their critical thinking. Lastly, "I am thrilled to be a student of FK and hope my expertise may benefit humankind, especially my people in Palestine" Hannadi said at the close of the conversation.









Her name is Binta Rosline Roberts. She is from Sierra Leone and is proud to say that she is the first Sierra Leonean ever to have the opportunity to study at UNHAS Makassar, Indonesia, and is the first African student in the Master's Degree in Food Sciences Technology, Faculty of Agriculture (Faperta). The International Office (IO) had an interview with her and asked three questions, about her reasons to study at UNHAS, her activities during her study, and her recommendations for a better UNHAS. Below are her responses:

When asked about her reasons to study at UNHAS. She responded that, first, based on her undergraduate major, which was Bachelor Science (BSc) in Agriculture and Food Sciences, UNHAS is among the best universities in Indonesia that can help her continue to advance in that field by doing her master's in food science technology. The faculty of agriculture is well grounded, with facilities that can help any student acquire what he or she is majoring in.

The second reason was that, during her application process, she was going through the profiles of professors, lecturers, and tutors from different universities, and going through the ones at UNHAS left her with no choice but to be part of their mentoring. In addition, the last reason was based on her research whilst looking for a suitable university in Indonesia. UNHAS had been in the top list for having a diversified culture of different races around the world, and that kept her pushing to be accepted and become one of them, which she is glad to be today. The last reason was through past stories about Indonesian people and how kind-hearted they are. She also took the initiative to know and be part of that story. She will always be proud to say that, in all her life and in all her travels to some parts of the world, she has never met people that are so kind and genuine as the Indonesians.

We also asked Binta about the activities she has been involved in during her studies. According to her, UNHAS and its IO are keys to letting students learn and study more and engaging them in a lot of training, workshops, and cultural activities from and within the campus and other organizations that come through the university. Binta was a part of the 5th International Cultural Program (ICP) 2022, a training and workshop from Arizona State University USA and the U.S. Indonesia Society (USInDo). Both institutions were under the Higher Education Partnership Initiatives (HEPI) project implemented in UNHAS, one of the many other activities within the university.

Prior to the end of the interview, we also asked her about her recommendation for a better UNHAS. It was interesting to listen to her explanations. The university should keep on bringing in more international students. For that reason, UNHAS will not only help the international students but also the national students at the university. Moreover, the needs and affairs of international students should be given great consideration by the IO of the UNHAS. International students are ambassadors of any country that they study in, so there should be a good impression taken home by each one of us. We appreciated her time in this interview, and the IO wishes her the best. Thank you, Binta.





We will get acquainted with one of our international students in this edition. His name is Kanchul Louis Mendy. He was born on May 17, 1998, in Brikama Nyambai, Gambia the country in West Africa with a short coast in the Atlantic Ocean. He is popularly called Kanchul or Louis. He is one of the *Kemitraan Negara Berkembang* (KNB) or Developing Country Partnership awardees. KNB is a scholarship given by the government of Indonesia. He is in the second semester at the Law Faculty (FH), UNHAS. The International Office (IO) had a chance to talk to him. He was asked three different questions: what brought him to UNHAS, what activities he has been involved in during his study here, and his recommendation for a better UNHAS in the future. Below are his responses.

Asking him about what brought him to UNHAS. He replied, "UNHAS's status as one of the foremost academic institutions in Indonesia has piqued my interest and motivated me to pursue admission. The institution is renowned for its dedication to intellectual superiority and its capacity to provide a diversified learning experience. It is my conviction that pursuing my academic endeavors at UNHAS will furnish me with a robust groundwork for my prospective profession and endow me with the essential competencies and erudition to thrive in my preferred domain. Furthermore, the university's dynamic and heterogeneous student populace provides a fertile educational milieu in which I can interact with colleagues from diverse backgrounds and broaden my intellectual horizons."

"The rationale behind my choice to pursue legal studies at the Faculty of Law is grounded in my fervent commitment to upholding justice and my aspiration to make a meaningful impact on my nation's legal framework. The intricacies of the legal system and its effects on the community have always captivated my interest. My objective in pursuing a degree in law is to cultivate a comprehensive comprehension of legal principles, institutions, and practices. It is my conviction that pursuing a degree at the Faculty of Law will equip me with the essential skills to adeptly navigate the complexities of the legal field and effectuate constructive change in the well-being of individuals and societies. In addition, the distinguished faculty members and abundant resources of the institution will provide me with significant guidance and assistance throughout my academic pursuit."

When it comes to the second question, what kind of activities have you been involved in during your study, his responses were: "As a distinguished scholar at the esteemed UNHAS, I have ardently pursued opulent opportunities to immerse myself in a plethora of activities that have magnificently enriched my personal and cultural refinement. One of my esteemed pursuits has been indulgence in organizational participation. I have had the privilege of being a distinguished member of numerous esteemed student clubs and organizations. These esteemed organizations have graciously given me the opportunity to elevate my leadership prowess, engage in fruitful collaboration with many distinguished individuals, and make a valuable contribution to the thriving campus community. By orchestrating opulent events, refined workshops, and uplifting seminars, I have cultivated my organizational and communication prowess, all while nurturing a profound sense of camaraderie amongst my esteemed peers."

"Furthermore, amidst my academic pursuits, I have indulged in numerous opulent cultural escapades during my tenure here. The esteemed UNHAS is nestled in a region of opulent cultural heritage, and I have indulged in the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to immerse myself in the glorious local traditions and customs fully. I have had the pleasure of attending opulent cultural festivals where I indulged in the exquisite sounds of traditional music, the graceful movements of dance, and the delectable flavors of authentic cuisine. I have had the pleasure of collaborating with esteemed local scholars and engaging with bright young minds through my philanthropic endeavors in cultural preservation.

My contributions to the documentation and promotion of indigenous cultures have been nothing short of opulent. I ardently believe that these rich cultural escapades have not only broadened my erudition and admiration for diverse cultures but have also fostered my aptitude to acclimatize to and venerate multifarious viewpoints, an indispensable expertise in the cosmopolitan world we inhabit today."

The last question was what are his recommendations for a better UNHAS in the future. He answered. "In my capacity as an international scholar, I would offer the suggestion that Hasanuddin University ought to establish various platforms and initiatives that engender a profound sense of camaraderie and bolster for international students. The implementation of a specialized broad student hub or assistance system would furnish a platform for scholars to interconnect, exchange perspectives, and solicit counsel. Organizing cultural exchange events, language exchange programs, and intercultural workshops can foster cross-cultural comprehension and facilitate the assimilation of international students into the campus milieu."

"Next, engaging in active collaboration with esteemed international institutions, orchestrating reciprocal student exchange initiatives, and partaking in global conferences and competitions would not only expand the university's reach to a wider demographic but also furnish students with invaluable prospects to broaden their intellectual horizons, acquire international exposure, and cultivate a global perspective. The implementation of such endeavors would undoubtedly augment the comprehensive encounter of international scholars and foster the establishment of a more all-encompassing and internationally involved Hasanuddin University."

It was an excellent opportunity to have a conversation with Louis. The IO wished him the best in his study and appreciated his time spent in providing answers. Thank you, Louis.







This edition, our weekly news will get you all acquainted with one of our Sudanese students named Azwan Sayed Ahmed Hamid, nick-named Ozwan. She was born on 9 April 1998 in Khartoum, the capital city of Sudan. Ozwan is currently in the 6th semester at the Faculty of Dentistry. The International Office (IO) had a chance to talk to her on the sidelines of her activities at the university. The IO asked her about three different questions: her reasons to study at UNHAS, her activities during her study and her recommendations for a better UNHAS in the future. Below were her responses.

The first question the IO asked was her reason to study at UNHAS. Here is her answer. "First of all, I would like to thank Hasanuddin University for giving us as international students this opportunity to continue our study and improve our knowledge. Actually, I have heard from my Sudanese friends who have studied at UNHAS before and they encouraged me to continue my study at Hasanuddin University. After that I applied for scholarships and Alhamdulillah (Thanks God Allah), I'm grateful to have the chance to become one of the university members. There are many reasons that made me interested in coming here to continue my study. Indonesia is a famous country for its huge Muslims population in the world. Based on what I heard UNHAS, one of the best universities in Indonesia that employ communiversity, complete harmony and interdependence, reflects the cohesion of the Indonesian society, which has virtuous morals and abundant generosity."

The IO continued to the second question, her activities she was involved in during her study. Here were the responses. "Honestly as dental students, most of the time we are in the university rolling from lectures and labs for me as semi graduate students busy with a lot of stuff. Generally the study is quite difficult as foreign students cause different things. On the other hand we hang out sometimes with our professors and attend social events with them and do some activities we really enjoy. In addition, the IO has organized a number of activities for international students, I remember. For example, I joined the international students orientation that was held at Unhas hotel and convention. This orientation was attended by Prof Jamaluddin Jompa, the Rector of UNHAS and other university leaders. One of the sessions I got was a presentation from immigration office of Makassar."

"Besides, during the Ramadan month this year, I also participated in the gathering organized by the IO. All students both Muslim and non-Muslim got together to enjoy the break fasting. I also remember, our Rector joined the gathering and gave a speech for the audiences. Another activity organized by the IO was a gathering in Ramsis (student dormitory). There was a Bahasa Indonesia class facilitated by the student volunteers of the International Office. The aim of the gathering was to assist international students improve their Bahasa Indonesia. Thus, it would be beneficial for their study especially when doing their co-assistant at the hospital for students from the Faculty of Medicine (FK) and Dentistry (FKG)."

The last question that the IO asked her was her recommendation for a better UNHAS in the future. Here are her replies. "Ultimately I'm grateful for being one of the family members for UNHAS best of the best & I wish to become one of the top all around the world. I think we need to do our best starting from the administration and IO until us as international students as agents from different countries eventually I recommend to always follow the updates internationally as they do & especially the university needs to make some courses for language to be in compliance with the international required standards and wider organization of seminars and scientific seminars with relevant universities."

The conversation ended and the IO thanked Ozwan for her time which was much appreciated as well as wishing her all the best in her studies. Thank you, Ozwan.





